



SUMMER ORIENTATION FIRST YEAR STUDENT PARENT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Monday-Wednesday, June 6-8, 13-15, 20-22, 27-29
Tuesday-Thursday July 5-7

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIMES – Northern Michigan University is located in the Eastern Time Zone.

MEALS – All meals listed in this schedule are included as part of the \$96.50 orientation room and board fee paid by participants who are staying in the residence halls during orientation. Those who are not staying on campus, and who have not purchased a meal pass in advance, may purchase meals at the entrance to the dining area (breakfast \$8.50, lunch \$10.50, dinner \$11.50).

ARRIVAL DAY

- Noon to 4:00 p.m. **ORIENTATION CHECK-IN & RESIDENCE HALL CHECK-IN** (The Woods Lobby)
Check in anytime between 12 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.
- Noon to 4:00 p.m. **STUDENT LAPTOP PICK-UP** (The Woods Lodge)
After checking in, and either before or after the tour, students must stop at the Lodge desk to pick up a computer for use during orientation. Students will need their NMU IN (included in folder at check-in). All laptops will be returned tomorrow afternoon after course scheduling.
- Noon to 4:00 p.m. **OUTDOOR WALK & TALK CAMPUS TOURS** (Departing from The Woods Lodge)
Optional
Tours will depart every 30 minutes beginning at 12 p.m. with the last tour departing at 3:00 p.m. All participants, including those who are staying off-campus during orientation, are highly encouraged to participate in a campus tour. The tours will conclude at the Wildcat Express Center (see ID card information below). **This is an extensive walking tour that lasts about an hour, rain or shine.**
- Noon to 4:00 p.m. **WILDCAT EXPRESS STUDENT ID CARDS** (1227 Northern Center)
Students will pose for their NMU ID picture. The staff of the Wildcat Express Center will provide information on the multiple uses of the card. Additional information can be found in the student check-in folder.
Students need to have their NMU IN (included in their folder at check-in) when they visit the Wildcat Express Center.
- Noon to 4:00 p.m. **PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (PEIF) AND DOME OPEN HOURS**
Our recreational facility will be open for all students and parents to walk through and/or use, free of charge. Staff will be available to answer questions.
- 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. **WELCOME SESSION** (1100 Jamrich Hall)
This session will include a welcome, an introduction of the orientation staff and the assignment of student participants to small groups.
- 5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. **DINNER** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
Included with the purchase of accommodations but can also be purchased at the door.

6:30 p.m. to **PARENT SESSION 1 – EXPECTATIONS** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
8:30 p.m. Parents will be given the opportunity to meet a number of university faculty and staff as well as other parents participating in the program through an interactive, realistic discussion.

8:30 p.m. to **PARENT RECEPTION** (Pre-Function Event Space, Northern Center)
9:30 p.m. Parents are invited to enjoy an informal social hour with faculty and staff featuring complimentary snacks and soft drinks.

DAY TWO

6:30 a.m. to **BREAKFAST** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
8:00 a.m. Included with the purchase of accommodations but can also be purchased at the door.

8:30 a.m. to **PARENT SESSION 2 – ACADEMICS** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
10:00 a.m. Information on the academic aspects of student life will be presented, including a review of the *Undergraduate Bulletin*, a general review of academic requirements, a discussion of support services available to students and other pertinent academic information.

10:00 a.m. to **FREE TIME**
11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. to **LUNCH** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
12:25 p.m. Included with purchase of accommodations but can also be purchased at the door.

12:30 p.m. to **PARENT SESSION 3 – FINANCES** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
2:00 p.m. This session is intended to provide general information regarding the cost of attending NMU, student employment opportunities and a review of the financial aid process. Specific financial aid questions may be answered later in the afternoon.

Once students have finished scheduling courses and have returned their laptop, various optional activities are available for students and parents to take advantage of throughout the afternoon. Sessions resume after the 5:00 p.m. picnic.

3:00 p.m. to **VISIT ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS**
4:00 p.m. (Refer to the "Visit with Academic Departments" sheet in your binder)
Many academic department offices are open and both parents and students are welcome to visit.

2:00 p.m. to **PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY (PEIF) AND DOME OPEN HOURS**
4:00 p.m. Students and Parents may want to walk through and/or try Northern's recreational facility. The facility will be open and available to orientation participants free of charge.

2:00 p.m. to **VISIT CAREER SERVICES** (3302.3 Hedgcock)
4:00 p.m. Students and parents can visit the Career Services office to get information regarding on and off campus employment opportunities for students.

2:00 p.m. to **FINANCIAL AID QUESTION & ANSWER** (2107 Hedgcock)
4:00 p.m. Students and parents can sit down one-on-one with a representative from the Financial Aid office to get specific questions answered.

2:00 p.m. to **DISABILITY STUDENT SERVICES** (2001 Hedgcock)
4:00 p.m. Students and parents who have questions about services for students with disabilities will have an opportunity to meet with staff from the Disability Student Services Office. Available services and the

process for obtaining those services will be discussed.

2:00 p.m. to **VETERAN STUDENT SERVICES** (2001 Hedgcock)
4:00 p.m. Students and parents who have questions regarding Veteran's Resources will have the opportunity to meet with the Veterans Resource Representative.

2:00 p.m. to **VISIT THE NMU BOOKSTORE** (Northern Center)
4:00 p.m. You'll find NMU textbooks, clothing, gifts and supplies in our brand new bookstore, located in the Northern Center, one level below the Ballrooms.

2:00 p.m. to **HONORS PROGRAM ADVISING – Students & Parents** (145 Whitman Hall)
4:00 p.m. Honors Program students and their families can meet with Honors Program staff to learn more about program requirements and course options for fall. Highly recommended for all accepted Honors Program students.

3:30 p.m. to **FRESHMAN FELLOW MEETING** *By Invitation* (Cohodas, 404A)
4:00 p.m. Students, and parents of students, who have been awarded a freshman fellowship are invited to meet with the coordinator of the Freshman Fellowship Program. Discussion will include faculty mentor assignments, work schedules and payment procedures.

3:45 p.m. to **RESIDENCE HALL ROOM VIEWING** (The Woods Lodge)
4:15 p.m. Staying off campus during orientation? Come see what a residence hall room looks like!

5:00 p.m. to **TASTE OF THE LIGHTS** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
6:15 p.m. All students and guests are welcome to attend.

6:30 p.m. to **DINING TRIVIA** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
7:00 p.m. Join in the game to compete for food prizes and to learn important details about the NMU ID card, meal plan, dining programs, and dining on campus.

7:00 p.m. to **PARENT SESSION 4 – HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
8:30 p.m. Information about life in NMU's residence halls will be discussed. Included will be information on appropriate items for students to bring with them in the fall, special opportunities that exist in the residence halls and payment schedules.

DEPARTURE DAY

6:30 a.m. to **BREAKFAST** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
8:00 a.m. Included with the purchase of accommodations but can also be purchased at the door.

8:30 a.m. to **HEALTH & SAFETY SERVICES** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
9:15 a.m. This session will provide frank discussions of physical and mental health. Representatives from the Health Center, Counseling and Consultation Services and the NMU Police Department will provide information and answer questions.

9:30 a.m. to **PARENT SESSION 5 – STUDENT ISSUES** (Ballrooms A & B, Northern Center)
11:30 a.m. This session includes a presentation of topics recommended for discussion by parents and students prior to arrival in the fall or during the initial period of enrollment. Included are some suggestions and advice which parents have provided over the years.

11:30 a.m. to **LUNCH** (Northern Lights Dining Facility)

- 1:00 p.m. A box lunch is provided in the dining facility to accommodate both those who would like to sit and eat and those who would like to take their lunch to-go. This meal is included with the purchase of accommodations but can also be purchased at the door.
- 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **RESIDENCE HALL CHECKOUT** (The Woods Lobby)
 1:00 p.m. Check-out should be completed by 1 p.m. Please contact the Lobby desk staff to make special arrangements if you cannot meet the scheduled 1 p.m. checkout time. Remember to lock your room and return your room key and door access card to the desk. If any room furniture or items are found to be missing or lost after checkout, those who stayed in the room will be charged.

ABBREVIATED STUDENT SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

ARRIVAL DAY

- 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.Orientation Check-In (The Woods Lobby)
 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.Laptop Pick-up (The Woods Lodge)
 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.Walk and Talk Campus Tours (The Woods Lodge)
 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Wildcat Express Student ID Cards (1227 Northern Center)
 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.Welcome Session (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 4:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.Small Group Meeting 1 (Small Group Meeting Rooms)
 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.Dinner (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.Small Group Meeting 2 (Small Group Meeting Rooms)
 9:15 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.Ice Cream Social – *optional* (The Woods Lodge)

DAY TWO

- 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.Breakfast (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 8:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.Placement Testing- *optional* (Jamrich Hall)
 10:30 a.m. to 10:55 a.m.Student Workshops Round 1 (Locations on Workshop Site Sheet)
 11:00 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.Student Workshops Round 2 (Locations on Workshop Site Sheet)
 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.Lunch (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 12:45 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.Large Group Meeting (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.Course Planning and Academic Advisement (Announced at Student Success)
 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.Laptop Return (The Woods Lodge)

Options for the afternoon until dinner begins are the same as on parent schedule.

- 5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Taste of the Lights (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.Involvement Opportunities/Small Group Meeting 3 (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.Extracurricular Organization Fair (Ballroom C, Northern Center)
 8:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.Game Night (The Woods Lodge)

DEPARTURE DAY

- 6:30 a.m. to 7:45 a.m.Breakfast (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.Financial Aid Meeting (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.Dining Trivia (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.Health & Safety Services (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Small Group Meeting 4 (Small Group Meeting Rooms)
 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.Housing and Residence Life Meeting (1100 Jamrich Hall)
 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.Lunch (Northern Lights Dining Facility)
 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.Residence Hall Checkout (The Woods Lobby)