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FAMILY ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

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WELCOME GOUCHER FAMILIES!

Greetings, and welcome to Goucher's 2018-19 academic year! We're thrilled to welcome your student into the Goucher family.

We appreciate you taking the time to join this orientation specifically designed for our Goucher families. We'll be discussing some of the most commonly asked questions about academics and co-curricular life, as well as the typical adjustment process for college students.

While you are spending time with us, your student will be beginning the orientation experience, which plays a critical role in helping them successfully adapt to Goucher. They are in good hands with our talented orientation staff and our first year mentor team. The mentors have been working with your student throughout the summer and will continue to serve as guides throughout their first semester.

Our faculty and staff will also mentor your student throughout the Goucher experience. You will get to meet some of them during this orientation.

If you have any questions during your visit, please feel free to ask us, or any of the other friendly Goucher staff and faculty members you'll meet. We're so glad you're here!

Welcome to Goucher College!

Bryan F. Coker
Vice President & Dean of Students

Stacy Cooper Patterson
Associate Dean of Students

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Check-in/Move-in

Dorsey Center Courtyard

Check in at the Dorsey Center. Please note that times are staggered based on your student's residence hall and room number. As your student collects the necessary items to get settled in, you can enjoy a cup of coffee, mingle with staff, and learn about campus resources.

11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Refreshments with Hillel

First-Year Village Courtyard

Stop by the Hillel tent to cool off, and grab an ice pop, water, and cool swag!

3:30 - 4:15 p.m.

Academics at Goucher

Kraushaar Auditorium

Learn about the foundations of the Goucher educational experience from Interim Provost Scott Sibley and Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies Isabel Moreno-López. Get information about our academic requirements, the resources that are available to support your student, and faculty expectations of students. We will also discuss Goucher's academic policies.

4:15 - 5 p.m.

Change Happens!

Kraushaar Auditorium

Sending your child to college is a significant transition for any family, whether it's your first time or your fourth. Please join Bryan Coker, vice president and dean of students; Monica Neel, director of student counseling; and Alexandra Graves, associate director for student support & outreach, to learn about what you should expect in the coming months and how you can help your student be academically, socially, and emotionally successful at Goucher.

5 - 5:30 p.m.

The Goucher Experience

Kraushaar Auditorium

Join President José Antonio Bowen as he provides an overview of the Goucher educational experience.

5:30 - 7 p.m.

Happy Hour

Ungar Athenaeum, Winslow Great Lawn

We hope you can join us for this celebratory gathering with faculty and staff. Light appetizers and beverages will be provided.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

8 - 9:15 a.m.

Continental Breakfast (With Students)

Dorsey Center Courtyard

8 - 8:30 a.m.

Church Service (With Students)

Chapel

Gather with Christian students and staff in an open and ecumenical service that will include song, prayer, scripture, and reflection. Led by Goucher Chaplain Cynthia Terry. All are welcome.

8:30 - 9:15 a.m.

Advice From Those Who've Been There

Merrick Lecture Hall

Get some last minute advice from some Goucher community members who've been right where you are—about to send a student off to college. Trishana Bowden P '19, P '22, vice president of advancement; Traci Martin, director of career education office; and Janet Shope P '12, associate provost for faculty affairs & professor of sociology, will share their words of wisdom about what to expect.

9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

New Student Convocation

Kraushaar Auditorium

Celebrate with your student as they mark the beginning of their academic journey with an induction into the community of learners at Goucher College.

10:30 - 11 a.m.

Goodbye Reception (With Students)

Dorsey Center Courtyard

Students and families are invited to mingle with staff, faculty, and first year mentors before families head home and students continue with their orientation.

