

First-Year Orientation Schedule for Families & Guests
Wednesday, July 20, 2022

All TCNJ administrative offices are open from 8:30a-4:30p to meet families and answer any questions you have! Please reference the campus map for locations, and visit the Lions Resource Fair as several offices and departments will have representatives available there to connect with.

- 9:00-10:30a **Check-In, Brower Student Center Lobby**
Pick up your finalized agenda and plan out your day! Don't forget to grab a meal ticket for Eickhoff Hall to enjoy lunch.
- 9:00-10:30a **Lions Resource Fair, Brower Student Center Lobby**
Representatives from the following offices/departments will be available to answer questions and share how their corner of campus helps our students live their best lives:
- Accessibility Resource Center; Career Center; Center for Global Engagement; Center for Student Success; Dean of Students; Dining Services; Health & Wellness (including CAPS and Religious & Spiritual Life); Inclusive Excellence; IT Helpdesk (including computer recommendations); ITS (Instructional Technology Services); Leadership Development; Parent & Family Programs; Recreation and Wellness; Residential Education & Housing; ROTC; Student Accounts; Student Employment; Student Health Services; Office of Student Involvement; Tutoring Center
- 10:00-10:30a **School of Education Guest Session, Education Building 212**
Incoming School of Education parents and/or guardians are invited to mix and mingle with the Deans, administrative office representatives, as well as faculty. Activities will be facilitated to allow for families to get to know each other.
- 10:30-10:45a **Welcome Remarks, Kendall Hall, Main Stage**
Lindsay Barndt, Director of Student Transitions, will provide a brief overview of the day and share any updates or final reminders. TCNJ's Coordinator of Parent & Family Programs, Susie Orecchio, will also provide resources and information on how to connect with TCNJ once your student starts here this fall.
- 10:45-11:45a **Conversation with the President, Kendall Hall, Main Stage**
Please join TCNJ President Kathryn Foster as she welcomes you to the ranks of our Lion parents. Hear about how to support your student for success to ensure that they make the most of their TCNJ college experience. This informal conversation allows for extended Q&A and an opportunity to learn more about college leadership and plans for the future.
- 11:45a-12:15p **School of Engineering Parent & Family Session, Kendall Hall, Main Stage**
Dean Welker and Assistant Dean Stella will overview student support services at TCNJ and give guidance on how families can partner with us in supporting their student's academic journey.
- 12:15-1:15p **Lunch, Atrium at Eickhoff Hall**
Grab lunch in our main dining hall on campus! Don't forget to pick-up a meal ticket in the Brower Student Center from 9:00-10:30a after check-in. Due to our summer schedule, please note Eickhoff Hall is

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operating on a limited menu and station rotation.

Afternoon Sessions

Students and families have different needs at this point in the transition, and our goal is to have you leave campus after orientation with your questions answered and concerns eased. Please attend whatever sessions and events listed below will do just that! If you came with guests, we highly encourage you to split up to attend as many as possible.

- 1:30-4:30p **See a Residence Hall Room**, *Various Locations*
Is your student living on campus next year? Orientation Leaders will escort families in small groups, and be available outside to answer questions about life as a residential student. We will show a room in each of the following halls: **Centennial; Cromwell; Ely; Norsworthy; Travers; and Wolfe**. Rooms will be shown continuously during this time, however due to high volume please be prepared to wait.
- 1:30-2:00p **Career & Leadership Development**, *Music Building, Mayo Concert Hall*
We know one of the reasons students and families choose TCNJ is due to our outcomes, and the Career & Leadership Development Office is critical to that effort! This overview will include their mission, how they help students, and examples of events and programs hosted throughout the academic year.
- 1:30-2:00p **Building Inclusive Relationships as a First-Year Student**, *Brower Student Center 225*
Finding parts of TCNJ to make it feel more like home is incredibly important. The Division of Inclusive Excellence will share opportunities to explore cultural traditions and experiences that are both new and familiar while, most importantly, understanding the difference between "fitting in" and finding a true sense of belonging to the campus community.
- 2:00-2:30p **Student Employment 101**, *Brower Student Center 225*
Working on campus is a tremendous opportunity to meet peers outside of your major and gain valuable experience outside of the classroom. This session will cover important information including timeline, tips for applying, and documentation you'll need.
- 2:00-2:30p **What Comes Next?**, *Music Building, Mayo Concert Hall*
Co-hosted by the Office of Student Transitions, the Office of Records & Registration, and the Office of Residential Education, Lindsay, Frank, and Tina will provide helpful information about the rest of the summer transition (Welcome Week), broader academic-related topics (course registration; FERPA; academic calendar; mid-year progress reports; etc.) and FAQs about move-in and living on campus.
- 2:00-2:30p **School of Education First Generation College Students Info Session**, *Education 113*
Are you the first of your immediate family to go to college? If so, you and your parents/guardians are invited to learn more about the ROSCOE First Generation College Student support program within the School of Education.
- 2:45-3:15p **Thrive @ TCNJ: Health and Wellness Overview**, *Kendall Hall, Main Stage*

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All of our student support offices are focused on the holistic health and wellness of our community, but two key areas leading that charge are Student Health Services (SHS) and Counseling & Prevention Services (CAPS). In this session both will host overviews of their offices and share key information for families to know.

- 3:15-3:45p **Paying The Bill... and More!**, *Kendall Hall, Main Stage*
In addition to collecting tuition and fees, our Office of Student Accounts also manages the billing calendar, parking services, TCNJ ID Card, auxiliary access, and various insurance programs (health and tuition). This session is a must attend to learn more!
- 3:30-4:30p **Poppin' at the Pixels with the School of the Arts & Communication**, *Outside between the Music and Art & Interactive Multimedia (AIMM) Buildings (Rain Location: Brower Student Center 100)*
Pop over to end your day with music, popcorn treats, and mingling with the School of The Arts & Communication faculty and staff! TCNJ's student-run radio station, WTSR, will provide the tunes!
- 3:30-4:30p **Cookies & Connections with the School of Engineering**, *STEM Building Patio (Rain Location: Brower Student Atrium)*
Grab an end of day cookie (or three!) and start to build community in your academic school by mingling with the School of Engineering. Formal remarks from Dean Andrea Welker will begin at 4:00p. Current students participating in our Mentored Undergraduate Research Experience (MUSE) this summer will also be there to share the opportunities they have had thanks to TCNJ Engineering.
- 3:45-4:30p **Campus Tours**, *Departs from Poppin' at the Pixels and STEM Building Patio*
Led by the Orientation Leaders, enjoy this brief tour of the academic and student support buildings on campus. This tour will not include residence halls.