FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

LETTER TO PARENTS

Congratulations!

Your student is heading to college and we are thrilled Lander University is where the journey will begin! The Freshman Orientation experience is the first opportunity for us to show incoming first year students a variety of on-campus resources that will assist in leading to success. Below you will find frequently asked questions. Please take a moment to read and discuss with your student. We look forward to seeing your student at Freshman Orientation!

Do parents register to attend Orientation?
Yes, any parent who wishes to attend Parent Orientation should purchase a ticket on the Freshman Orientation webpage. Parent Orientation is a one-day program, held on the first day of your student's Freshman Orientation session. Check-in begins at 8am and the day concludes at 4pm. Lunch with the deans and faculty members is included.

What time does my student need to be on campus to check-in and what time will Freshman Orientation end?
The check-in process begins at 8am. Students will check-in to Freshman Orientation, have an opportunity to have his/her Lander ID card made. Do not worry about finding these locations! Our Orientation Leaders are stationed all over campus and will assist you with directions. Check-out occurs from 3pm-4pm on Day #2.

Where will students reside overnight during Freshman Orientation?
Students spend the night in Lander University residence halls during Freshman Orientation. Students are NOT assigned rooms for Freshman Orientation based on requests made through Housing/Residence Life for the academic year.

Does my student need to bring money to Freshman Orientation?
All meals and lodging are covered during Freshman Orientation. From lunch on Day #1 through lunch on Day #2, meals will be served in the Dining Hall. However, if your student wants to make additional purchases in the Bearcat Shop or other dining services on campus (POD or Starbucks), money will be needed. Bottled water is provided throughout the experience.

Last but not least...
Parents, we recognize sending a child to college can be challenging; emotions can get the best of us as parents. We ask that you allow us the opportunity to guide your student through this amazing experience called ‘higher education’ and give you the opportunity to let your student be independent. Together, with your student’s diligence and determination, Lander University will be the best home away from home.

Welcome to the Lander University family!