What is Ram Welcome?

**Ram Welcome:** Experience CSU! builds upon your student’s orientation experience and assists in their successful adjustment to Colorado State University. Support your student with their transition by attending sessions filled with tips and strategies for families!

Parents and family members of CSU students bring a wealth of experiences and backgrounds, and come from across the United States and around the world. We’re delighted your student has chosen the University as the place to make his or her mark. Parents and family members are important support systems for students. The Parent and Family Ram Welcome schedule will help you become a part of the CSU community, learn about important resources and services, and help you support your student in becoming a CSU Ram!

Although many of the Ram Welcome programs are geared toward students, we know parents and families have unique needs and questions; therefore, there are special programs just for you through the first day and a half of Ram Welcome. In this guide, you’ll find details about what you should plan to attend as a parent or family member.

If I have a question about Ram Welcome who can I ask?

Ram Welcome Leaders will be able to answer your questions about Ram Welcome activities and events. They will help ensure that your students get to the right place at the right time and will be happy to answer any questions you may have as well. Ram Welcome Leaders are easily identified by their gold Ram Welcome T-shirts.
Thursday, Aug. 19, 2010

Ram Welcome Check-In/Residence Hall Move-In
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Residence Halls (On-Campus Students)
8 a.m. - 4 p.m. • Student Recreation Center
(Off-Campus Students)

Parent and Family Reception
3:30 p.m. • IM Fields
An overview of Parent and Family events during Ram Welcome will be provided, and the President, campus administrators, and other school leaders will be available throughout the reception for dialogue and questions. Light appetizers will be provided to help relax after a busy move-in day. Pick up your wristband for the New Student and Family Picnic with the CSU Alumni Association which will follow the University Welcome.

University Welcome
5:30 p.m. • Moby Arena
The President, Provost, Vice President for Student Affairs, and ASCSU President welcome you to Colorado State University. This is a GREEN OUT event, meaning all students wear their For-Ever-Green T-shirt to show their CSU pride.

New Student and Family Picnic with the CSU Alumni Association
6:30 p.m. • IM Fields
Join the CSU Alumni Association for an outdoor dinner on the Intramural Fields. Students can get into the picnic by swiping their RamCard. Parents and family members will need a wristband to attend this event and can pick one up at the Parent & Family Reception or a Ram Welcome Information booth.

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Carnival
7 p.m.-11 p.m. • IM Fields and Student Recreation Center
Games, snacks, carnival rides and live music on the Intramural Fields out front of the new Student Recreation Center. Venture inside the new Rec Center to explore Retro Rec, an interactive decade-themed adventure leading you and your student through each area of the new Rec Center. You and your student can explore programs and services offered at the Rec, visit each area of the building, where students can play games and win prizes – including the chance to win “The Ultimate Dorm Room” – a media package from Ultimate Electronics.

What to do in your free time

☐ Bike Registration and Parking Permit Sales
   7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. • Lake Street Garage

☐ Ram Card Office Open
   7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. • LSC Lower Level

☐ Housing and Dining Offices Open
   7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. • Palmer Center

☐ Textbook Reservation Pick Up
   8 a.m. - 6 p.m. • LSC Room 228

Friday - Aug. 20, 2010

Parent and Family Interest Programs
You may attend any of the three sessions below during any of the times listed.

Transitions III
Session 1: 8:30-9:30 a.m. • Cherokee Park, Lory Student Center
Session 2: 9:45-10:45 a.m. • Cherokee Park, Lory Student Center
Session 3: 11 a.m.-noon • Cherokee Park, Lory Student Center

Lump in your throat? Ache in your heart? Smile on your face? We know families are dealing with a lot – and we want to help! This session builds on the Preview/Next Step Transitions I session. It will assist parents and families in their own family members’ transitions. Stories are sure to make you laugh and cry!

Student Conduct and Campus Safety
Session 1: 8:30-9:30 a.m. • Room 230, Lory Student Center
Session 2: 9:45-10:45 a.m. • Room 230, Lory Student Center
Session 3: 11 a.m.-noon • Room 230, Lory Student Center

Curious about safety and security measures on campus? Wonder what happens if your student violates the Student Conduct Code? This session builds on the Preview/Next Step Campus Safety session. It will provide additional information about campus and personal safety, the conduct system and conflict resolution process, and will address important campus policies, leaving time for individual questions at the close of the presentation.

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CSU Health Network
Session 1: 8:30-9:30 a.m. • Grey Rock Room, Lory Student Center
Session 2: 9:45-10:45 a.m. • Grey Rock Room, Lory Student Center
Session 3: 11 a.m.-noon • Grey Rock Room, Lory Student Center

Unsure what services are available if your student is sick or stressed out while at CSU? This session builds on the Preview Transitions II: Alcohol & Mental/Physical Health session. It will provide additional information about what CSU Health Network has to offer students and how parents and families can support students in times of sickness or stress.

General Parent & Family Ram Welcome Programming ends at noon.

Additional Opportunity for Parents & Family Members
Student Diversity Programs and Services Open Houses
3 p.m.- 5 p.m. • Lory Student Center
- Asian/Pacific American Cultural Center, Room 212
- Black/African American Cultural Center, Room 204
- El Centro, Room 178
- Native American Cultural Center, Room 218

For more information on Parent and Family Programs throughout the year visit: www.parentsandfamily.colostate.edu or call (970) 491-5312.

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October 15-17, 2010
Stay the weekend, explore Fort Collins, Hike to the ‘A’, and be a part of the fun! See you in October!

Registration information and a complete schedule of events at: www.familyweekend.colostate.edu