



YOUR CONNECTION: Looking Ahead



Blue Pride Picture 2016



New Student Orientation 2017

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What is Orientation?



New Student Orientation 2017

3 Days To Success

Orientation is a three-day process designed to educate, encourage and inspire you as you embark on your academic journey. Our main objective is to provide you with the necessary tools to facilitate a smooth transition into college life, but also to assist you in exploring varied opportunities as you prepare for your future. A description of Penn State New Kensington (PSNK) orientation days is below.

Day 1-Academic Advising Day

June – August (Must Register Online)

Based on placement test scores, career objectives, and academic advisor recommendations, your appropriate courses will be assigned. In addition to developing a schedule, important information will be presented on campus resources. The 3 days of orientation are mandatory for all new students. Parents/Guardians are welcome to attend.

NOTE: Registration for Day 2 & 3 is automatic when you register and confirm your registration for DAY 1—Academic Advising.

Day 2- Prides' Day

Wednesday, August 16: 8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.

During Prides' Day, you will attend interactive workshops conducted by faculty and professional staff to learn about academic procedures, electronic resources, and you will take part in a discussion on our summer reading book program: *Weaponized Lies*. Our campus tradition, Orientation Prides, will also be introduced to you, and you will be led by our new student orientation leaders. All new students will be assigned to a pride group! Student leaders direct the Prides in small group exercises designed to increase interpersonal communication skills, and guide you through fun activities such as the Penn State New Kensington Gameshow!



Keynote Speaker Mr. Glowacki (right) isn't handicapped, crippled, or wheelchair bound,; he's just Matt, and he happens to use a wheelchair. During Day 3 of orientation, you will get to meet Matt, and learn about his inspiring stories and motivation towards success.



Day 3-All Pride's Day

Thursday, August 17: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

During Day 3, you will have the opportunity to meet many of your fellow classmates and attend college meetings, academic convocation, and be formally welcomed to Penn State. Following your welcome to Penn State, you will listen to Keynote motivational Speaker Matt Glowacki (above), and have lunch with the faculty and staff at the campus picnic. Towards the end of All Pride's Day, you will see our orientation leaders at the peer education skits, meet new friends, and take part in Penn State New Kensington's most exciting orientation event, the "Pride Olympics."

Orientation Prides:

A PRIDE is a company of lions bonding together in support of each other. At Orientation 2017, you will become part of a campus tradition:

Your PSNK Orientation Leaders:

The PSNK orientation leader is a respected position and is earned through a competitive selection process. The Orientation leaders attended a leadership retreat in May to prepare for your arrival! They're excited to meet you and ready to help you make your mark at PSNK. Each orientation leader has been assigned to a Pride group. All new students will be assigned too a Pride group.



Blue Pride

Nick Roth

Taylor Eackles

Savannah Smith

Purple Pride

Gina Batiz

Paulina Iniguez

Matt Kozub

Red Pride

Ahsanti Crowder

Lynsie Headley

Jeff Lang

Green Pride

Jake Boney

Jayleen Chagolla

Mariana Mbemba

Orange Pride

Shannon Josefoski

Scott Sinclair

Carly Duncan

Yellow Pride

Jadelyn Cunningham

Taylor McHenry

Tyler Campbell

Outdoor Summer Movie Nights at PSNK!

Supported by Student Activity Fees and PSNK Student Life



Lots Open @ 7:00 p.m.



BBQ Starts @ 7:30 p.m.



Penn State Students are admitted for **FREE!**
 Movie is free. BBQ is \$5 for all non-students.

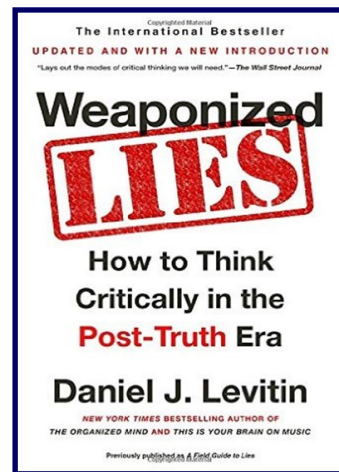
Lego Batman - July 19th
Beauty and the Beast- August 9th

Summer Reading Program

Weaponized Lies: How to Think Critically in the Post-Truth Era

Daniel J. Levitin

It's raining bad data, half-truths, and fake news out there and some of this nonsense is having devastating consequences. Daniel Levitin shows how corporate and government reports, statistics, and news stories can mislead, and reveals the ways lying weasels use them. What makes lies dangerous is the certainty with which people are prone to believe them.



Benefits from the Summer Reading Program...

- Get to know other first-year students through discussions during Day 2's orientation session.
- Form a sense of community with other students, faculty, and staff.

Your TO DO List:

- Read the book prior to Pride Day Orientation (August 16th, 2017)
- Be prepared to discuss in a group setting

You will receive your FREE copy at your Academic Advising Day!

Freshman Summer Checklist

Below is a list of items that need to be completed prior to starting at PSNK in August:

- Attend all three New Student Orientation Days.
- Get photo ID picture taken & receive student ID card at the Academic Advising Day.
- Receive First Year Summer Reading Program book at the Academic Advising Day.
- Register for classes in LionPath.
- Print out your class schedule & tour the PSNK campus.
- Check online to finalize your semester bill & confirm your registration in August.
- Complete your immunization forms and submit your health history records online.
- Complete everything in your "To Do List" in LionPath (Student Center)





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