

WELCOME WEEK

BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY
SCHEDULE of EVENTS
AUGUST 15-24
2024



THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

8:30AM-12:00PM – RESIDENTIAL STUDENT CHECK-IN & MOVE-IN

Location: Center for the Arts Lobby, Various Residence Halls

Students and guests will come to the CFA to check in. Residence Life, Financial Aid, Student Care, and Admissions will have tables set up in the Blackbox Theatre. Students will receive a ticket with their residence hall information and will then follow signs placed around campus to their residence hall for move-in.

11:00AM-2:00PM – LUNCH

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

Students, and up to 2 guests, will receive tickets for complimentary lunch in the Dining Commons.

2:00-4:00PM – COMMUTER CHECK-IN

Location: Center for the Arts Lobby

This check-in process will be identical to the early Residential Student Check-In. Following Commuter Check-In, students can go directly to the Welcome Week Kickoff.

4:00-4:30PM – WELCOME WEEK KICKOFF

Location: Center for the Arts, Concert Hall

Students and guests will be greeted by Belhaven student leaders and staff and will hear the song of the year from Doug Eltzroth followed by a message from Dr. Roger Parrott. Concluding the message, students will be dismissed to their first BU Session.

4:30-5:00PM – PARENT AND GUEST SESSION

Location: Center for the Arts, Concert Hall

Guests will remain seated in the auditorium and will receive a message from Belhaven faculty and staff (Dr. Shelley Smith and Dr. Vicki Wolfe).

4:45-5:30PM – BU SESSION

Location: Rugg Arena

Students will receive a warm welcome from Student Development staff and student leaders and hear about the Welcome Week schedule. Then, students will be dismissed to Peer Group meetings.

5:45-6:30PM – PEER GROUP MEETINGS

Location: Irby Classrooms

Students will meet their Peer Group and Peer Leaders in this get-to-know-you session.

6:30-7:30PM – PEER GROUP DINNER

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

New students will enjoy dinner with their Peer Group.

7:00-9:00PM – BELHAVEN BLOCK PARTY

Location: Student Center

Desserts will be provided for new students. Attendees will be encouraged to participate in activities such as speed-friending, board games, etc.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

7:30-9:00AM – BREAKFAST

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

9:00-9:30AM – MORNING WORKOUTS

Location: The Track

Students can participate in a fun workout led by a local personal trainer. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel.

THE OFFICE OF STUDENT DEVELOPMENT is excited about welcoming you to your new home and introducing you to the many wonderful opportunities you have as a new Blazer. This week is full of fun and purposeful activities for new and returning students as well as opportunities to get to know our campus and community.

FRIDAY (cont.)

9:30-11:30AM – PREP FOR SUCCESS

Location: Library, Helen White Lawn

This event will be hosted by the Student Care and Career and Calling offices. New students can get a free Belhaven planner and create first-year vision boards. Staff will be present to provide advice regarding time management, academic success, and other tips and tricks.

11:30AM-1:00PM – LUNCH

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

Tickets provided for commuter students.

3:30-4:30PM – MAJORS MEET & GREET

Location: Billy Kim International Center 200 & 202

Students will have an opportunity to meet professors from their majors.

4:30-5:30PM – BU SEMINAR: WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A BLAZER

Location: Student Center Theatre

5:30-6:30PM – PEER GROUP DINNER

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

7:00-9:30PM – MOVIE NIGHT

Location: Billy Kim International Center 202

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

9:00AM, 10:30AM – DISCOVER JACKSON TOURS

Location: Meet outside of the Student Center

The Discover Jackson tour will introduce students to their new, beautiful, and historic home of Jackson, Mississippi. (Buses allow 40 students per tour.)

11:30AM-1:30PM – LUNCH

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

3:30-4:30PM – BU SEMINAR #2: TO SERVE, NOT TO BE SERVED

Location: Billy Kim International Center 200

The Belhaven University motto is "To Serve, Not to be Served." Football coach, CJ Nightingale will speak to students about what this means and how they can make a difference during their time at Belhaven.

5:00PM – ALUMNI WOMEN'S SOCCER MATCH

Location: Belhaven Bowl

5:00PM – BLAZER KICKBACK

Location: Blazer Plaza (by the Belhaven Bowl)

At this tailgate-inspired event, students can come by for free snow cones and food from food trucks, participate in lawn games, and meet fellow Blazers.

8:00-9:00PM – BELHAVEN TRIVIA NIGHT

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

New students will learn more about their school and will have the opportunity to win prizes.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

VARIOUS TIMES – WORSHIP AT THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

Location: Meet at Student Center

New students will have the opportunity to carpool with student leaders to various churches around the Jackson area.

11:30AM-1:30PM – LUNCH

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

3:00PM-4:30PM – ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Location: Belhaven Bowl

4:30-5:30PM – CLASSROOM TOURS

Location: Various locations around campus

New students will have the opportunity to take a classroom tour led by members of student leadership.

5:30-6:30PM – PEER GROUP DINNER

Location: Bailey Dining Commons

7:00-9:00PM – RESIDENCE HALL CRAWL

Location: All Belhaven Residence Halls

Students can go to each Residence Hall lobby to experience a variety of activities, drinks, and food.

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

8:30AM-11:00AM – WELCOME BACK COFFEE AND TEA

Location: Student Center Lawn

Students, faculty, and staff can come get a free cup of Shoebird Cafe coffee or tea to celebrate the beginning of a new school year.

6:00PM – WELCOME BACK BBQ

Location: Pinehurst & Peachtree Lawn

This campus-wide event will have barbeque, music, lawn games, food-eating contests, and other competitions for students, faculty, and staff.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

CHAPEL

Location: Center for the Arts, Concert Hall

7:00-8:30PM – PAINTING THE CULTURE

Location: Dining Commons

Open to all students, this event will celebrate the diverse, unique backgrounds and cultures represented by our student body. All students will have the opportunity to paint something that represents their culture.

9:00PM – MANDATORY RESIDENCE HALL MEETING

Location: Various Locations

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

11:30AM-1:00PM – WELCOME WEEK SCAVENGER HUNT

Location: Student Center Booth

Students will be invited to participate in a campus-wide scavenger hunt. Come to the Student Center Booth for instructions. Winners will receive a prize.

8:00-9:30PM – CAMPUS-WIDE WORSHIP

Location: Billy Kim International Center 200

Students, faculty, and staff are invited to a night of worship led by Word of Life Fondren followed by a short message by Fondren Church College Pastor, Alex Foust.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

7:00-9:00PM – KICKIN' IT WITH CAMPUS REC

Location: Rugg Arena and Auxiliary Gym

Students will have the chance to participate in various intramural samplers (basketball, indoor soccer, and volleyball).

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

8:00-10:00PM – BLAZER BEACH BASH

Location: Billy Kim Entergy Pavilion (backside of BKIC)

This is the most popular tradition of Welcome Week, and there will be music, snow cones, a photo booth, and multiple competitions in which students can participate (best tropical outfit, hula hoop contest, limbo).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

9:00AM-12:00PM – BLAZER COMMUNITY CONNECT

Location: Meet at Billy Kim International Center

New students will be invited to serve in the community with their peer groups. Debrief and pizza party to follow this service project.

4:00PM – FOOTBALL SCRIMMAGE VS. RHODES COLLEGE

Location: Belhaven Bowl

7:00PM – 24-HOUR THEATRE

Location: Center for the Arts, Concert Hall

Doors open at 6:30pm, performances start at 7:00pm. An informational meeting will take place on Friday, August 23rd at 6:00pm in the CFA Concert Hall for students who wish to participate in 24-hour theatre. Please email apo@belhaven.edu for more information about how to sign up for a team.

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