Fall 2023 Orientation Schedule

**Friday, August 4 Friday, August 25**

All New Incoming Fall Athletes All Other New Students

**Time Event & Location Description**

Assigned Move **Check In**  Check in and Take Care of Business **before** you in time Welcome Center move into your room.

**Move In** Move into your assigned Residence Hall room.

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12 pm **Lunch**  Students and Families, enjoy a meal provided by Main Dining Room Fresh Ideas food service.

Roncalli Building

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1 pm **Welcome & Blessing Ceremony** Students and Families, join us for Bishop Marty Chapel a Welcome Address by Dr. Marcus Long and a

Blessing Ceremony to celebrate the students’ start of their academic career at MMU.

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2 pm **Orientation Sessions** Students & Families-Explore the Rights and Marian Auditorium Responsibilities you have as an MMU student; learn the

meaning & purpose of FERPA; discuss the importance of Mental Health Awareness during this time of transition; and learn about the Benedictine Leadership program and trips.

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3 pm  **Student Orientation Sessions** During this session you’ll learn about LancerLink, the Marian Auditorium Student Portal and MMU’s Learning Management System “Bright Space”; professional communication via email; and the use of Social Media as a college student. >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> 3 pm **Parent Orientation Sessions** Let’s talk about: Parents & Families as Partners; MMU Benedict’s Cafe Housing Policy; and Academic Policies. A student led panel will share information on “How to Support Your Student”, “Helping Your Student Develop a Sense of Resiliency and Coping Skills”, and “The Importance of Maintaining Consistent Communication.” They will also be available to answer any questions you have. >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> 4 pm **Families Say Goodbye** Gather in Benny’s for goodbyes.

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5-6 pm **Supper** Join your teammates/new friends for supper.

Main Dining Room Now is a great time to discuss the events of the day, ask questions, and continue building relationships with your peers.

**Saturday, August 5 Saturday, August 26**

All New Incoming Fall Athletes All Other New Students

**Time Event & Location Description**

8-9 am **Breakfast** Fuel up for another day of New Student Orientation.

Main Dining Room **Please wear your name tag all day**.

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9 am **Faculty Expectations**  What makes an MMU education stand out? Get insights Marian Auditorium into academics and faculty expectations at the college level-what we expect of you and what you can expect

from us.

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academically, socially, mentally, on your faith journey, in the residence halls, and preparing for your future career.

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11:30 am **Lunch**

Main Dining Room

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1 pm **College Student Inventory** All Freshmen will take the College Student Inventory.

Main Dining Room

**Navigating Community** ***Students living off campus*** will discuss ideas and

Benny’s activities that assist them in building community on MMU’s campus as a commuter.

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2 pm **Student Panel Q&A** Get the “straight scoop” from current MMU students! Marian Auditorium These students will answer questions about: achieving academic success; how to form, mend, and sustain

relationships; learning to live with a roommate; the importance of getting involved and engaged on campus; and things to do in Yankton, SD.

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3 pm **Living in Community *Residential students*** will learn about Lancer community Marian Auditorium expectations and the rights and responsibilities that come with living on campus. There will be door prizes and giveaways.

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5-6 pm **Supper**

Main Dining Room

**Sunday, August 27, 2023**

The events and activities on Sunday, August 27 are optional.

**Time Event & Location Description**

11 am-1 pm **Brunch**  Invite your new friends to go with you and check out Main Dining Room the great brunch options.

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5-6 pm **Supper and Yard Games** Enjoy supper with your peers in Benny’s.

Benny’s and The Green Then head out to the green space and participate in some fun yard games.

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9:15 pm **Mass & Social with Mission Scholars** Join the Campus Ministry Staff and the Mission Scholars Peace Chapel for Mass followed by a social event.

**Monday, August 28, 2023**

**MMU MISSION DAY**

All Students, Faculty, and Staff

**Time Event & Location Description**

8:30-10:30 am **MMU Welcome Event**  Be sure to stop over to the Fieldhouse and get all your Fieldhouse business completed before classes begin.

11 am **All School Mass**  Join us as we celebrate the MMU community and the Bishop Marty Chapel start of the academic year. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

11:45 am-1:15 pm **Benny’s Cookout** Welcome Back Picnic

Benny’s & Benny’s Greenspace

1:30-3 pm **Service Projects** Groups will go out into the Yankton Community to serve Meet in Cimpl Arena and support our neighbors.

4:30-5:30 pm **Tailgating & Volleyball** It’s the first tailgate of the year! Grab your friends and

Cimpl Arena enjoy a cookout before you head into Cimpl Arena for a Lancer Volleyball Scrimmage. The scrimmage starts at 5:30 pm.