



WELCOME TO THE HILL

WELCOME WEEK 2025

"Your Journey Starts Here"

WELCOME WEEK SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | 2025

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

HAPPY MOVE IN DAY!



8:00 am - 12:00 pm

New Student Check-In

MEC Residence Hall Lobby

Welcome to Bluefield State! We cannot wait to see you on campus! Today's Move In is scheduled for all new residents. Students are assigned specific times when to arrive to campus, so be sure to follow the directions in the emails you received to your BSU email address with your move-in instructions.



8:00 am - 10:30 am

Breakfast

Dining Hall



10:00 am - 11:00 am

Sir Blue Photoshoot

Bluefield State's very own Great Dane Mascot will be greeting the Class of 2027 in the Lobby. Students and family members will be able to meet and take their photograph with America's Best College Mascot!



11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Lunch

Dining Hall

Grab some lunch where a variety of specials are offered weekly! Don't forget your Student ID.



*4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Matriculation Ceremony

Brown-Gilbert BSB Auditorium

The New Student Matriculation Ceremony serves as the university's official welcome to new students and celebrates academic excellence at the college. **This event is required for all new residence hall and commuter students.** Students will line up at the Patio of the Brown-Gilbert Basic Science Building to process into the Auditorium. Resident Assistant Staff will be escorting students and leading all new students into the formal program. Parents and family members are welcome and encouraged to attend this special program.



5:00 pm

T-Shirt Distribution & Official Class Photo

Ned Shott Gymnasium

All new students will be given the official 2025 Bluefield State T-Shirt immediately after the Matriculation Ceremony. Students can wear the official T-Shirt for the traditional Class of 2026 or 2028 Photo.



5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Dinner

Dining Hall

The Dining Hall is open, grab some dinner! Don't forget your student ID.



7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Walmart Trip

Medical Education Center Lobby

Forget something while moving in? Not to worry! Hop on the free Walmart Shuttle to pick up any last-minute items you need before classes begin on Monday. Signing up at check-in is strongly encouraged and students need to meet in the front of the Residence Hall to catch a van.

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 **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm** **Game Night** **Medical Education Center**

Join your fellow new students at the MEC for Game Night 2025. We'll have Cornhole, Spikeball, Giant Jenga, Crossnet, and much more! Of course, there will be snacks as well!!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

 **9:30 am - 11:00 am** **Breakfast** **Dining Hall**

 **10:30 am - 11:30 am** **Honor's College Meeting** **Brown-Gilbert BSB Verandah**

The mission of the BSU Honors College is to provide for its student's exceptional educational opportunities with a dynamic community of faculty and students sharing a commitment to academic excellence. Student Members of the Honor's College will be meeting with Dr. Sudhakar Jamkhani to discuss plans and programs for the academic year. All honor's college students should be in attendance.

 **11:30 am - 1:30 pm** **Campus Barbeque** **Harris-Jefferson Student Union**

Big Blue Dining will be preparing a terrific Campus Barbeque at the Student Union for all new students. Enjoy a meal and mingle with community members, students, and staff and this informal gathering hosted by President Martin. Bring your photo ID and enjoy lunch along with games, music, and much more! Menu includes: Sliced Brisket, Grilled BBQ Chicken, Macaroni & Cheese, Baked Beans, Macaroni Salad, Potato Salad, Corn Muffins, Cajun Homestyle Chips, Blue & Gold Cupcakes & Sweet Tea.

 ***1:30 PM - 3:00 PM** **Mandatory Residence Hall Meeting** **Brown-Gilbert BSB Auditorium**

***This is a mandatory meeting for all new Residence Hall students.** Living in campus housing will involve being in a dynamic community of scholars that will augment your efforts to be a successful student at Bluefield State. **All new Residence Hall students are required to attend this mandatory program to learn about policies, procedures, protocol, Title IX and community standards throughout your time as a residence hall student at the University.** Attendance will be taken.*

 **4:00 pm - 6:00 pm** **Dinner** **Dining Hall**



Enjoy some dinner on campus!

 **8:00 pm - 10:00 pm** **Laser Tag** **Christian Acres Camp**

Join your classmates for an evening to have some fun with laser tag! Just about 10 minutes from campus to Christian Acres camp for outdoor laser tag, basketball, beach volleyball, mini golf, gaga ball, & pickleball. Students needing transportation to and from campus will meet in the MEC lobby between 6:30 pm & 6:45 pm. What better way to start of the school year & meet other new students?

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

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|  | 8:30 am - 10:30 am | Breakfast | Dining Hall |
|  | 11:00 am - 1:30 pm | Lunch | Dining Hall |
| | <i>Grab some lunch! Don't forget your student ID.</i> | | |
|  | Noon - 3:00 pm | Aqua Park & Water Day | Lincolnshire Park |
| | <i>Lincolnshire Park is a population regional attraction in Tazwell that includes a stunning lake where students can participate in several water sports. There is also an inflatable aqua park at Lincolnshire, along with two baseball fields, a soccer field, two tennis courts, and a basketball court. Students should meet in the lobby of the MEC at 11:30 pm for a ride over to the park. Wear your swimsuit, and bring a towel! We'll bring the drinks and snacks to keep you cool & we'll bring you back to the MEC when the event is over.</i> | | |
|  | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm | Dinner | Dining Hall |
| | <i>Enjoy some dinner on campus!</i> | | |
|  | *8:30 pm | RA Wing Meetings | MEC Residence Hall |
| | <i>This is a mandatory meeting for all residence hall students. At your wing meeting you will meet your floormates, get important information on policy & procedures, and find out more about living and learning at Bluefield State University. Check with your RA for details.</i> | | |

MONDAY, AUGUST 18

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|  | 1st Week of Classes | Mandatory Attendance for All Students! |
|  | Regular Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Hours in the BSU Dining Hall begin today: | |
| Monday - Friday | | |
| Breakfast | - | 7:00 am - 10:00 am |
| Light Breakfast (Continental) | - | 10:00 am - 10:30 am |
| Closed | - | 10:30 am - 11:00 am |
| Lunch | - | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm |
| Light Lunch (Grill, Sandwiches, Salad Bar) | - | 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm |
| Dinner | - | 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm |
| Saturday & Sunday | | |
| Brunch | - | 10:00 am - 1:30 pm |
| Light Lunch (Grill, Sandwiches, Salad Bar) | - | 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm |
| Dinner | - | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm |

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 **8:00 am - 4:00 pm** **Academic Advising & Class Registration** **305 Conley Hall**

Uncertain of your major or your fall classes? Stop by during drop-in hours and chat with an academic advisor to make sure you are ready for the fall semester.

 **1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** **Financial Aid & Work-Study Orientation** **106 Conley Hall**

Come get your questions answered about financial aid and learn more about the student employment program. These informal conversations will answer your general questions about working on campus and financial aid opportunities as a new undergraduate at BSU.

 **9:30 pm - Midnight** **Bowling Party** **Mountaineer Bowling Lanes**

Join your classmates at the popular local 28-lane bowling center that is equipped with automatic scoring, a snack bar, billiard tables, pro shop, game room and more. The Resident Assistant staff will be organizing teams on each floor and wing for friendly competition. Join your classmates for Pizza, drinks & Cosmic Bowling!!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19 - FRIDAY, AUGUST, 22

Tuesday

 **7:00 pm - 10:00 pm** **Pool Party** **Ned Shott Swimming Pool**

Join your classmates for the Welcome Week Pool Party in the College Natatorium, located in the Ned Shott Physical Education Building. At the campus Olympic size pool, there will be games, giveaways, music, karaoke, pool floaties, Crossnet H2O tournament, and more! Residence Hall student transportation will be available in the MEC lobby between 6:30 & 7:00 pm.

Wednesday

 **7:00 pm - 10:00 pm** **Outdoor Movie & Italian Ice** **Student Union**

Enjoy an evening of games, music & food beginning with Dinner at 5:00 pm in the Student Union (featuring Chicken Wings & Sides) and at 7:00 pm with Italian Ice from Terrible Tacos76. As soon as it gets dark, we will start the movie & you can chill out with your new friends at the Student Union. Check our Instagram account for the movie title reveal.

Thursday

 **7:00 pm - 8:30 pm** **Water Wars** **Shott Field**

Students are encouraged to join us for this year's Water Wars at the Shott Field. Our Water Wars event will have a traditional water balloon toss, competitive group games, a frozen t-shirt competition, and an all-out classic water balloon batter at the end! It will be a great way to have fun and cool off on a hot day.

Friday

 **7:00 pm - 8:30 pm** **Big Blue Bingo** **Student Union**

One of the most popular campus events each semester, students play for terrific prizes and just plain bingo fun in the Student Union. There will be twelve (12) prize packs along with food & drinks - so even if you're running late, come to the student union for some great fun. Residence Hall students who need transportation can meet in the MEC lobby between 6:00 & 6:30 pm.

***Friday's Matriculation Ceremony, Saturday's Residence Hall New Student Meeting, and Sunday's RA Wing Meeting are mandatory events for all new students. Please arrive 15 minutes early to attend these important required programs. GO BIG BLUE!**

EVENTS AFTER WELCOME WEEK | 2025

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30



6:00 pm

Big Blue Football Team vs. Tusculum

Bluefield State will host the Tusculum Pioneers on August 30th and all new students are especially encouraged to attend. All students get free admission to Mitchell Stadium. GO BIG BLUE!



WELCOME
WE ARE SO EXCITED THAT
YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER OF
THE BIG BLUE FAMILY!!
WEEK '25

FOLLOW OUR SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS



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