Middlebury College
Family Orientation

September 4-5, 2012
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GOT QUESTIONS? WE'VE GOT ANSWERS:

Orientation Hotline:
802.443.3103
orientation@middlebury.edu

Commons Offices:
Atwater 802.443.3310
Brainerd 802.443.3320
Cook 802.443.3330
Ross 802.443.3340
Wonnacott 802.443.3350

Public Safety:
General 802.443.5133
Emergency 802.443.5911
DAY 1
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:00 A.M.— Check in at Commons Welcome Centers
Your first stop should be the Commons, where your student can pick up his or her Orientation packet and room key, meet the Commons team and residential life staff, and move your student’s belongings into his or her room.

Atwater: Allen Hall
Brainerd: Stewart Hall
Cook: Battell North
Ross: HMKL Way (Behind Ross Commons)
Wonnacott: Battell South

3:00 P.M.  

Student Financial Services Drop-In Hours
Student Financial Services staff will be available to answer any questions you may have regarding financial aid or payment of a student account. No appointment necessary. They will be hosting hours throughout Orientation beginning today, September 4 through Friday, September 7.

Service Building, First Floor

10:00 A.M.—

Student Financial Services Drop-In Hours

4:00 P.M.  

President’s Welcome for Family Members
President Ronald D. Liebowitz will share a welcome address followed by a reception for family members.

Mead Chapel

5:00—6:30 P.M.

President’s Reception for Family Members
All family members are invited to enjoy light fare with President Liebowitz and members of the Middlebury staff and faculty. Transportation (from Mead Chapel) will be provided for those needing extra assistance.

Mahaney Center for the Arts Patio

11:00 A.M.— Drop-In Lunch
A complimentary lunch will be available in Ross and Proctor Dining Halls from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Other options include The Grille, located in the McCullough Student Center for families who wish to purchase lunch on campus, or any of the local restaurants downtown.

Ross and Proctor Dining Halls

2:00 P.M.  

Campus Tours
Get to know your student’s new home by taking a tour of the Middlebury campus. First-year students and/or their family members are encouraged to join a student-led tour of the College. Tours start at 1:00 and 2:30 P.M.

Admissions Office (Emma Willard House)

1:00 AND 2:30 P.M.  

STUDENT TRACK

Please note: Family members should arrange to say goodbye according to your student’s schedule. We do not have an official “goodbye slot” on the schedule, because some students will take placement exams on Wednesday, while others will not. Feel free to say your goodbyes at anytime that fits with your student’s schedule, just make sure that you agree upon a mutually convenient meeting place.

4:00—5:30 P.M.  

Commons Meetings
Locations Vary By Commons

5:30—7:00 P.M.  

Dinner for Students
Students will dine with their Commons. Families, please join us at the President’s Reception where a light dinner will be served. See details above.

Ross and Proctor Dining Halls

7:00—8:30 P.M.  

Hall Meetings
Locations Vary
DAY 2
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:00–8:00 p.m. Finding the Right Balance Between Letting Go and Staying Connected
Freshman Year. Those two words are both exciting and overwhelming for most parents! Join Vicki Hoefle, parent educator and author, for an interactive session aimed at making this transition easier. Together, you’ll learn the fine parenting “art” of staying connected to your child without becoming overly dependent on technology for constant communication. Maintaining a “happy medium” takes skill, practice and trust.
This session will focus on how parents can help foster their children’s healthy independence while staying connected in a mutually respectful and supportive manner. Come talk to other parents about the challenges ahead and learn how to navigate them effectively!
Vicki teaches parent education classes around the country, and is the creator of the multi-media program, Parenting On Track. Vicki is the parent of six children, two college graduates and four currently navigating college life, and the author of Duct Tape Parenting: A Less is More Approach to Raising Respectful, Responsible, and Resilient Kids, published by Bibliomotion (2012).
McCullough Social Space

8:00–10:00 p.m. Family Mingle
Please join us for drinks, dessert, and an opportunity to meet fellow Middlebury families!
Crossroads Café in the McCullough Student Center

10:00 p.m.

Family Members Depart for the Evening

STUDENT TRACK

7:00–9:00 a.m. Drop-in Breakfast
Ross and Proctor Dining Halls
Please Note: For those looking for a cup of coffee or tea, feel free to stop by MiddXpress in the McCullough Student Center, Middlebury’s one-stop-shopping for a quick cup of coffee, frozen treat or snack! MiddXpress opens at 8:00 AM.

8:30–10:30 a.m. First Year Seminars
Students will meet for the first time with their First Year Seminar class, the academic beginning of their time here at Middlebury.
Locations Vary

9:00–10:00 a.m. Family Programming
Family members are invited to explore one of three important issues in student development and planning.

Your (Student’s) Education in Action!
A Middlebury education doesn’t take place just in the classroom. Learn how students deepen academic and personal interests and explore potential careers through hands-on experiences all over the world.
By connecting students to service, internships, fellowships, and career and graduate school advising during the undergraduate years, staff members at the Center for Education in Action help students develop

STUDENT TRACK

9:00–10:30 P.M. Orientation Kick-Off & Voices of the Class
Mead Chapel
a sense of civic responsibility and prepare for a successful transition to life after college. Presented by staff in the Center for Education in Action: Careers, Fellowships, and Civic Engagement.

_Dana Auditorium in Sunderland Language Center_

_Alcohol and Social Life at Middlebury: What Parents Need to Know_
What is student social culture like at Middlebury and what role does drinking play in the lives of our students? Middlebury’s Dean of Students and other members of our student life division will present recent data, discuss the results of a year-long task force on Alcohol and Social Life, and share the College’s approach to ensuring student safety and our response to situations involving dangerous or disruptive alcohol use. Ample time for Q & A.

_McCullough Social Space_

_Preparing to Study Abroad_
Middlebury is widely regarded as a leader in international studies, which includes classes and majors; co-curricular programs; summer Language Schools; graduate programs at the Monterey Institute of International Studies; and undergraduate study-abroad opportunities in all academic disciplines. More than 60 percent of Middlebury students study abroad, and we strongly encourage students to do so for their entire junior year. This does, however, require careful planning. In this session, Paul Monod, Acting Dean of International Programs and A. Barton Hepburn Professor of History, will provide an overview of Middlebury’s study abroad options, financing, and the planning process students should undertake, which begins in their first year of college.

_Wright Theatre_

11:00 A.M.–Noon **Introductions to Commons Teams**
Family members meet their student’s Commons team. These individuals serve as the students’ primary support system throughout their Middlebury experience. This meeting is an important opportunity for families to connect with their student’s Commons Head(s) and Dean, learn about Middlebury’s Commons system of residential and academic life, and ask questions. Space capacity issues dictate that this session is for family members only.

_Atwater: Wright Theatre_
_Brainerd: Mahaney Center for the Arts Concert Hall_
_Cook: Dana Auditorium in Sunderland Language Center_
_Ross: McCullough Social Space_
_Wonnacott: Warner Hemicycle_

Noon

_Family Members Depart_
Family members who are still on campus should plan to depart at this time. We hope to see you back on campus for Fall Family Weekend.

10:00–11:00 A.M. **Coffee Break**
Take a break to join administrators for a cup of coffee and a snack.

_Axinn Winter Garden_

**STUDENT TRACK**

11:00 A.M.–12:30 P.M. **Drop-in Pre-Advising**
_CTLR in Davis Family Library_

11:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. **Placement Exams**
_Locations Vary_

11:00 A.M.–1:30 P.M. **Lunch**
_Ross and Proctor Dining Halls_
Local Banks

Citizen’s Bank
802.388.6791
Monday–Friday: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.–Noon
Directions: Depart Middlebury College heading towards Route 7 South. Take a right on Route 7 South. Stay on this road for a little over a mile before taking a right on Middle Road. Citizen’s Bank will be on your right.

Key Bank
802.388.4031
Monday–Friday: 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Directions: Depart Middlebury College heading towards Route 7 South. Take a right on Route 7 South. Stay on this road for half a mile before turning right on Creek Road. Key Bank is on the corner.

National Bank of Middlebury
802.388.4982
Monday–Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Directions: In downtown Middlebury, you will see the bank on your left immediately after the first intersection (with Merchant’s Row) past the old bridge. It’s very close to campus; walking is encouraged!

People’s United Bank
802.388.6316
Monday–Thursday: 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 9:00 a.m.–Noon
Directions: Depart Middlebury College heading towards Route 7 South. Take a right on Route 7 South. Stay on this road for a little less than one mile. People’s United Bank is on the right before you get to the Hannaford’s shopping complex.

Shopping

Hannaford Supermarket & Pharmacy
802.308.1017
Monday–Saturday: 7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Directions: Depart Middlebury College heading towards Route 7 South. Take a right on Route 7 South. Stay on this road for a little less than one mile. Hannaford’s shopping complex will be on your right.

Shaw’s Supermarket
802.388.0930
Monday–Saturday: 7:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.
Directions: Depart Middlebury College heading towards downtown Middlebury. Make a right onto Merchants Row to continue onto Court Square. Turn left at the traffic light onto Court Street and make another right onto Washington Street. Shaw’s will be on your right.

T.J. Maxx
802.388.3021
Monday–Saturday: 9:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.
Sunday: 11:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Directions: Located inside Hannaford’s shopping complex. Follow directions above.

On Campus Resources

College Bookstore
802.443.5334
go.middlebury.edu/store
The College Bookstore is located in the basement of Proctor Dining Hall. Hours of operation for the week of Orientation: 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Student Financial Services
802.443.5158
www.middlebury.edu/offices/support/sfs
Student Financial Services is located on the first floor of the Service Building. Student Financial Services will hold open office hours (no appointment necessary) throughout Orientation: Tuesday, September 4 through Friday, September 7 from 8:15 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
During Orientation families should park in spots normally designated as “student parking” (or “commuter parking” in the McCardell Bicentennial Hall Lot).

Once you arrive in Middlebury on Tuesday, staff will direct you to the nearest available parking lot.

Please do not park in the Catholic Church lot off of College Street.

Key:

P General Public Parking