

Parent Program at First-Year START Sessions

Session #1:

Format: Lecture/Presentation Style

Presented by: Director of New Student Programs & Family Outreach (NSPFO)

Length: 50-55 minutes

Goals of the session

- Discuss what developing is happening with students in their first year
- Normalize behaviors that are typical
- Share with parents what OSU believes is their role in supporting their students success
- Allows some advice sharing from parents who have had students in college
- Discuss FERPA
- Discuss resources that OSU offers parents and go over folder materials and their purpose

Session #2

Format: Q&A Panel Style

Facilitated by an NSPFO staff member, Panelist are: UHDS rep, Student Health rep, CAPS rep, OSP rep, Student Life rep.

Length: 45-50 minutes

Goals of the session

- Safety and housing the top concerns for parents, so this session allows them to talk directly with representatives without their student present

Session #3

Format Q &A Panel Style in rotations over dinner

Facilitated by an NSPFO student lead and panelists are START student staff members

Length: 45 minutes

Goals of the session

- Allow parents time talk directly with a current student and ask them questions about their experience.

Session #4

Format: Lecture Presentation

Presented by: Academic Success Center

Length 30 minutes

Goals of the session:

- Normalize academic behavior and areas of greatest transition academically for students
- Share with parents some resources that are available for students
- Discuss and share OSU expectations regarding academic performance

Session #5

Format: Lecture/Presentation

Presented by: Prevention, Advocacy, and Wellness in SHS

Length 45 minutes

Goals of the session

- Help parents understand how they can influence their students behaviors related to alcohol and drug use

- Share with parents where they can seek assistance if they have concerns about their students behaviors related to alcohol or drug use
- Share with parents how drug and alcohol use impact student success

These sessions noted above are all sessions specific to the Parent & Family Program at first-year STARTs, and is meant for an audience of only parent and family members, students are not invited to attend these and are usually involved in their only sessions happening concurrently.

The sessions listed below are sessions the parent and family members are invited to attend with their student.

- On-campus housing tours
- Academic college presentations
- DAS open house

The sessions listed below are sessions that parent and family members are invited to attend with or without their student. Most of which occur on the second day of programming when the student may or may not be in advising and registration

- Understanding how the bill is paid and financial aid works
- Greek Life information session
- Studying Abroad presentation
- Buying Textbooks presentation
- Resources and services fair
- Rec Night at Dixon