

# ***FIRST GENERATION FAMILY INFORMATION SESSION***

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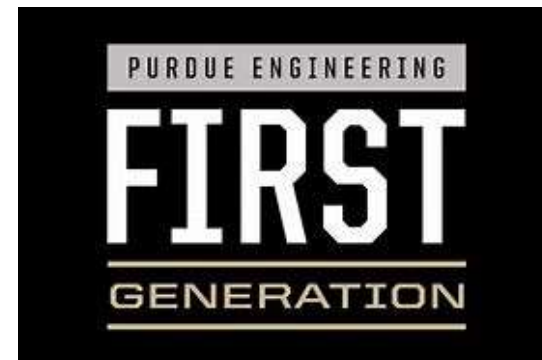
## Welcome & Introductions

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**Handbook - Created to help students and families navigate Purdue and the College of Engineering**

- Electronic reference guide
- Printed copies available by request
- Information about CoE
- Information about Purdue
- Acronyms



<https://engineering.purdue.edu/Engr/Academics/First-Generation/Files/FirstGeneration-handbook-22-23.pdf>

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**How can parents or families connect with Purdue and obtain information to support their student?**

- **Parent & Family Connections – Dean of Students**
  - Monthly Parent & Family Newsletter
  - Programs & Events
  - Family Weekend – Oct 14 – 16
  - [Monthly Newsletter Archive - Parent & Family Connections - Purdue University](#)
- **Dean of Students – Voice and advocate for students**
  - Schleman Hall Room 207

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What is FERPA (Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act) and what do I need to know?

- Sets forth requirements regarding the privacy of student educational records
- FERPA rights transfer from the parent to student at the age of 18 or when attending a postsecondary institution
- MyPurdue Proxy – student can give parents access to view certain pieces of information

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**How will my student receive communication and information from Purdue and/or the College of Engineering?**

- Purdue & CoE routinely communicates with students via email
- Students need to get into the habit of checking their Purdue email routinely & managing email
- Just in time emails will be sent to first-generation students from CoE - important dates or events
- Academic advisors may communicate via texts from BoilerConnect
- Social media (Twitter & Instagram)

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**My student is struggling with their class schedule or a specific class.**

- Advise your student to contact their academic advisor.
  - This is likely the person who helped them request classes during VSTAR.
  - Your student can make an appointment or message their academic advisor from Boiler Connect.
- Faculty/Instructor/Teaching Assistant (TA)– Office Hours

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**My student is struggling academically with course work.**

College of Engineering has 2 programs that offer tutoring.

- WIEP (Women in Engineering Program)
- MEP (Minority in Engineering Program)

Purdue offers tutoring and academic assistance through several programs

- Academic Success Center (ASC)
- Supplemental Instruction (SI)
- Writing Lab
- Disability Resources Center (DRC)
- Resource/Help Rooms – Math, Physics, Chemistry
- Tutoring





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## **My student is sick or showing worrisome signs of stress.**

- **Illness, injury, or other physical malady.**
  - Purdue Student Health Center (PUSH)
    - PUSH is not a Medicaid Provider but does accept most insurance.
- **Worrisome signs of mental stress from either classwork, living adjustments, or social situations.**
  - Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)
    - Counseling and therapy
    - Psychiatric Services
    - Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs
    - Outreach and Prevention Workshops
    - Group Therapy – can attend an unlimited number of group sessions at no charge
    - Care Management
    - Self-help resources

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## **My student needs monetary help.**

- Dean of Students, Office of Student Support Services
  - Emergency Loans
    - 30-day interest-free loans of up to \$1,000.
- Financial Aid for School
  - Remember to complete and file a FAFSA each year
- Financial Hardship – Lori Pence
- Affordability – Scholarships (college & schools) – Lori Pence

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## How can my student stay safe at Purdue?

- Survey the campus while classes are in session and after dark to see that academic buildings, walkways, facilities, and parking lots are adequately secured and well-lighted
- Be aware of surroundings
- Don't walk alone at night
- Safe Walk Program – PUPD
- Emergency Telephone Call Boxes –Blue light
- Laptop and bicycle registration - PUPD

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## **Navigating transitions for students and families**

- Student transition – living away from home, becoming familiar with a new setting or new geographic location, sharing a room, meeting new people, and cultivating friendships
- Time management, how to study, ask for help, everything in moderation, run your race
- Families will have their own transition
- Everyone needs to be aware of and respect the transition of the other

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How often should I talk/text with my student?

- Have a conversation about the mode of communication before you drop them off
- How often – set up an agreeable communication plan so everyone is on the same page and aware of the expectations
- What do you need? Listen, vent, opinion, or help fix the problem

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## What should my student bring to campus

- Review move-in details - Purdue Residences webpage – especially what NOT to bring
- Discuss large items, electronics, and appliances with roommate(s) – who is bringing what?
- Shower caddy & shower shoes
- Bring things from home or bedroom that provide a sense of familiarity and also items to personalize or decorate your space – have fun with it!
- Care packages comprised of favorite snacks or comfort foods are great, especially during stressful weeks or final exam week

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**What to expect during the first year and how to support your student. What questions or concerns do you have for us?**

- College of Engineering First Generation  
<https://engineering.purdue.edu/Engr/Academics/First-Generation/index.html>
- College of Engineering Undergraduate Education:  
<https://engineering.purdue.edu/Engr/Academics/Undergraduate>
- Purdue First Generation Student Success:  
<https://www.purdue.edu/studentsuccess/first-generation/index.html>

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