2014 Tiger Impact Schedule and Descriptions

Fort Hays State University August 11–17, 2014

MONDAY, AUGUST 11

7-9 p.m.

Adult Learner Orientation

Forsyth Library 015

Balancing academics, family & perhaps a part-time job can be a complicated process. Whether you're an on-campus or virtual student, this orientation session will provide answers & information on what to expect & how to set yourself up for success as an adult learner.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14

8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Move In Day & Tiger Tags

Residence Halls

Welcome to your new home! If you are living in the residence halls, report to your assigned hall & room to meet your Resident Assistant (RA), who will help you with the check-in process. FHSU faculty, staff & Tiger students will assist by providing Tiger Tags for the front of your vehicle & carrying items to your new room!

10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

TRANSFERmation Transfer Student Kick-off

Memorial Union Fort Hays Ballroom

TRANSFERmation is our fall orientation program designed exclusively for transfer students. This program will allow you the opportunity to meet transfer student leaders who are ready to help you get off on the right foot as a Tiger while getting connected to campus resources. Join us for FREE FOOD & a FREE T-SHIRT as you begin your transfer year experience with the Tiger family!

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Family Lunch

McMindes Café

Those living in the halls will be provided with 2 tickets for lunch at the McMindes Café. Take a break from all your hard work & check out the offerings at the café! Additional tickets & meals for off-campus students & their families may be purchased at the door.

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

New Resident Meeting

Floor Lounges

This is a **REQUIRED** event for new students living in the residence halls.

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Parent & Family Meet & Greet

Memorial Union Fort Hays Ballroom

Parent and Families can take this opportunity to chat with Fort Hays State University faculty and staff. This is a great opportunity for family members to build relationships with future mentors of their students.

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

New Student & Family Induction Ceremony

Sheridan Hall – Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

The New Student & Family Induction Ceremony will serve as the opening highlight of your Tiger Impact experience as well as symbolically begin your FHSU career as a Tiger! Enjoy remarks from faculty, staff, & the Sophomore Student Speaker. Parents & families are invited to attend this event with your student. This is a **REQUIRED** event for new first year students.

4:30 p.m.

Family Farewell

Sheridan Hall Fountain

New students & families will be invited to join your student for your first official family photo as an FHSU student. This will also be an opportunity for you to say your goodbyes to your student.

6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Tigers on the Prowl

The Quad

Meet up with the FHSU Welcome Team members & Tigers from your fellow academic college as you develop your game plan to win the Tiger Impact Spirit Stick & claim the bragging rights for the academic year. All participants will then take the ceremonious walk across Jellison Bridge to Lewis Field Stadium for the New Student Pep Rally & Traditions Night followed by PLAYFAIR!! This is a **REQUIRED** event for new first year students.

7:00 p.m.

New Student Pep Rally & Traditions Night

Lewis Field Stadium

Don't miss joining your new Tigers for the official Class of 2018 Photo! Following the photo, join the fall athletic team captains, the Cheer Squad, and the Tiger Deb Dance Team in learning the Fort Hays State University Fight Song and Alma Mater! This is a **REQUIRED** event for new first year students.

8 p.m.

PLAYFAIR

Lewis Field Stadium

PLAYFAIR is totally unlike anything else you have ever experienced. It's entertainment! It's fun! It's the perfect way to make new campus friendships. This event is **REQUIRED** for new first year students.

Sponsored by the University Activities Board & Student Affairs

9:30 p.m.

The PLAYFAIR After-Party

Stadium Place Apartments

Enjoy this relaxed social with FREE food & music! Come to hang out & wind down with the people you've met throughout your 1st day on campus! It's laid back, fun & everyone will be there!

Sponsored by Residential Life

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

9:00 a.m.

Class of 2018 Opening Walk

Custer Lawn

Meet your fellow classmates by your academic departments & take the Class of 2018 Opening Walk to the Tiger Impact Keynote Speaker. This event is **REQUIRED** for new first year students.

9:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Tiger Impact Keynote Speaker Rhett Laubach & REACTION Groups on the Quad Sheridan Hall – Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Keynote speaker Rhett Laubach will share thoughts & insights on how to make the most or your college transition and experience. Drawing from his 20+ years of speaking and training experience, Rhett's ability to connect with his audience, whether students or professionals, and his unprecedented stage energy are second to none. The program concludes with REACTION Groups on the Quad. This event is **REQUIRED** for new first year students.

11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Academic Department Open Houses

Various Locations Across Campus

Meet new faculty members in your academic department & learn about how you can be engaged in academic student organizations. This event is **REQUIRED** for new first year students.

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Class of 2018 Luncheon

Memorial Union - Fort Hays Ballroom/Black & Gold Room

This is a free meal provided to all new students participating in 2014 Tiger Impact. The delicious meal provided by Chartwells will conclude with completing your evaluation and receiving your first official Fort Hays State University Tiger Impact t-shirt!

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

One Word Photo Project Shoot

What if somebody asked you to trade in your name for OneWord that would represent you as your 'idea self'? What One Word would you choose and why? Take this time to take a picture and choose your word to represent you as a Fort Hays State University Tiger. Sponsored by the American Institute of Graphic Arts

7:30 p.m.

Comedy Show with Mission IMPROVable

Sheridan Hall – Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

The agents of the Mission IMPROVable Comedy Team are just a few audience suggestions away from creating a brand new & original production that's all about whatever you tell them! This fast-paced & exciting new form of comedy is a combination of MTV's "Wild 'N Out" & "Who's Line Is It Anyway?" – but there is a bit of a twist. This show will leave you with a smile on your face & your stomach aching from laughter.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16

9:30-11:45 a.m.

Big Day-Out Service Project

Memorial Union Sunset Lounge

Big Day Out is a way for incoming FHSU students to have the opportunity to serve the Hays & Ellis County community during their 1st week as Tigers. Check-in will run from 9-9:30 a.m. After a few icebreakers, students are grouped with other new FHSU Tigers, First Year Experience staff, & Tigers in Service volunteers to service sites around Hays for a morning of making new friends & reflecting on your volunteer service. The Big Day Out will make a Big Difference in Hays & Ellis County!

2-4 p.m.

Games on the Lawn

Custer Hall Gazebo & Lawn

Come join the fun with members of the fraternity & sorority community! Test your skills at yard games, check out the water inflatable slides & participate in the largest FHSU campus water balloon fight!

Sponsored by Fraternity & Sorority Life

7 p.m.

Residential Life Back-to-School Bash

Custer Hall Lawn

Join the Residence Hall Association to kick off the year with snacks, games & activities. *Sponsored by Residence Hall Association*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

3-4:30 p.m.

Class Crawl

Memorial Union Cody Commons

Explore campus & visit the location of your classes prior to the start of the semester. Tours will leave every 15 minutes as we explore campus landmarks & traditions! *Sponsored by Admissions*

7-8:30 p.m.

Social Excellence Event

Sheridan Hall – Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Social Excellence helps people realize the power of human connection to gather people together and make the world a better place. Be Social. Be Excellent. We Dare You. This event is **REQUIRED** for new first year students.

Sponsored by Fraternity & Sorority Life

8:30 p.m.

Sorority Recruitment: Information Sessions

Memorial Union Fort Hays Ballroom

Come learn what being in a sorority is all about with no obligations! Students who wish to go through Sorority Recruitment are required to attend 1 information session.

Sponsored by Fraternity & Sorority Life

10 p.m.

Floor Meetings

Residence Halls

This event is **REQUIRED** for students living in the residence halls.