Good afternoon –

In light of the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, the plans for Camp War Eagle (CWE) have changed. Out of concern for the health and wellbeing of you and the entire Auburn community, much of your orientation will be conducted online. Please carefully read the following information about your orientation. This information is also posted on the Camp War Eagle website, fye.auburn.edu/cwe.

While we know an online orientation cannot take the place of experiencing the beauty of our campus and the friendliness of the Auburn Family, the CWE staff has worked to ensure that the online approach provides you with a personal experience, welcoming you into the Auburn Family and establishing a foundation for your success and happiness as a student.

There are three key components to Camp War Eagle:

1) Introducing you to Auburn’s educational resources and services;
2) Providing time for you to meet with an academic advisor and register for your fall semester classes;
3) Beginning your socialization process into the university, which includes meeting new people and getting plugged into our vibrant campus life.

Normally these goals are achieved at a CWE session. While we are unable to host CWE sessions on campus this summer, these goals remain the same.

To begin your Camp War Eagle process, you will first be asked to sign up for a virtual session. Eight sessions will be offered from late May through early July. Each session covers four days, but your total engagement time is less than that. All sessions will operate Monday-Thursdays with the exception of the second session, which will run Tuesday-Friday to accommodate the Memorial Day holiday. You will only need to sign up for one session. There is no advantage to attending an earlier session. You will sign up for a session on the Camp War Eagle registration portal in AU Access. Registration will open Wednesday, April 29 at 1:00 CT. For session dates and registration instructions, please visit fye.auburn.edu/cwe/dates/.

About one week prior to your session, you will be enrolled in an online orientation module. To enhance your virtual experience, please complete this module prior to the start of your virtual CWE session. Continue to check your Auburn email for more instructions.

On the first day of your session, you will meet virtually with an Auburn orientation leader (Camp War Eagle Counselor) and a small group of other incoming freshmen to hear more about some of Auburn’s resources. Your Camp War Eagle Counselor will also be a resource for you throughout the summer and into fall semester.

The middle two days of your session will be comprised of academic advising meetings. You will be provided more instructions on how to sign up for an appointment time. In this one-one-one meeting, an academic advisor will explain the curriculum for your major, identify required and other suggested classes you should take, and answer other questions you have regarding academic topics. In short, this meeting will assure that you are on the right path academically. On the last day of your session, you will register for your fall semester classes. Academic advisors will be available to assist you with registration.

The final part of orientation is your introduction to the Auburn campus community. Our hope is to provide this to you in a one-day, on-campus session in July if the COVID-19 pandemic situation allows. If we are unable to host you on campus in July, this portion of orientation will be canceled.

Camp War Eagle has traditionally hosted a robust parent and family orientation as well. At this time, no decision has been made on parent and family orientation for this summer. As those decisions are made, information regarding parent and family orientation will be available on our website.

In consideration of the transition to online orientation, the CWE fee has been decreased by half to $75. The fee will be applied to your fall semester bill, so no payment is required when you sign up for your session.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we adjust orientation to best meet the needs of our incoming students. If you have any questions or if we can be of any assistance, please email us at fyedesk@auburn.edu and we will respond as quickly as possible. Please continue to monitor our website (fye.auburn.edu/cwe) and follow our social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram, & Twitter).

To get the latest updates regarding Auburn’s response to COVID-19, make sure to frequently check Auburn’s coronavirus information website.

Sincerely,

Mark Armstrong
Executive Director
Academic Partnerships
Auburn University
189 Foy Hall • Auburn, AL 36849
(334) 844-4501 (office)
armstlm2@auburn.edu