



When and Where I Enter: Virtually Imagining and Inventing Intellectual Community 2020 Parent and Family Orientation Program

We welcome parents and families as partners in the educational process at Spelman College. Students and parents will participate in separate activities during New Student Orientation (NSO) and Parent and Family Orientation. There are informative events for both students and parents to help them acclimate to Spelman.

Spelman College provides a Parent and Family Orientation Program to identify resources you need to support your student's transition and academic success to engage effectively with Spelman College. In addition to basic information about academic life, student life, student services and many helpful tips, we provide an opportunity for Spelman parents and families to learn about the Spelman Parents and Family Association, Family Weekend, various activities and events, parent communications and newsletters, and some frequently asked questions.

Monday, August 10, 2020

10:00 am – 11:00 am **Dr. Mary Schmidt Campbell**

Welcome and Introduction to Senior Administration

Parents and families will receive an official welcome from the President and her senior team.

11:10 am – 11:40 am **Community Safety and Security**

The Public Safety Department is on duty seven days a week and covers 24 hours a day patrolling of the Spelman College campus. The Public Safety Department works collaboratively with their public safety colleagues at the other Atlanta University Center to also patrol the adjacent streets. The department maintains the emergency communications center, parking, as well as education and safety programs. Parents and families will learn about Public Safety's approach to maintaining a safe campus environment.

Break

1:00 pm – 1:30 pm **Spelman Online**

The entire Spelman community is committed to the success of our students during this unprecedented time. Learn about the preparations Spelman has made to take its classes online for fall 2020 and to ensure the success of your student.

2:00 pm – 2:50 pm **Spelman College Faculty Panel Discussion**
What does it mean to be a part of an intellectual community? Spelman faculty discuss this question and the College's expectations. Moderated by Michelle Hite, Director, Ethel Wadell Githii Honors Program.

Break

3:00 pm – 7:00 pm **Spelman 101 for Parents & Families**

3:05 pm - 3:45 pm **New Crossroads: Accessing Health and Wellness for First-Year Students**
A panel, comprised of members of the Counseling Center, the Student Access Center, the Wellness Center and Student Health Services, will discuss what parents and students should expect in the first year of the Spelman College experience.

3:50 pm – 4:20 pm **Financial Aid/Student Accounts: Managing College Finances**
Parents and families will learn about the resources available to students and the process of securing grants, loans and scholarships.

4:25 pm - 5:10 pm **The Academic Challenge**
Parents and families will meet the Undergraduate Deans and learn about the registration process, and academic support services such as the counseling services, language lab, math lab, Student Success Program, and writing center. Parents and families will also learn about FERPA guidelines for interacting and communicating with parents and families.

5:15 pm – 6:00 pm **Title IX & Violence Prevention & Intervention at Spelman**
This introductory session is designed to educate and raise awareness about sexual assault, relationship violence, stalking and other related issues on college campuses. Parents will learn helpful tips to engage their student in conversations surrounding these topics and serve as a resource.

6:15 pm - 7:00 pm **Chat and Chill: Parent and Family Virtual Mixer with VP Holloman**
You did it... Take some time to meet and celebrate with your fellow Spelman Parents and Family members. Come join in the fun and ask some questions that you really want to ask your students!!