Since 1988, Parent Orientation at the University of Rochester has allowed incoming First-Year and transfer parents to learn how the University works to achieve student success. A two day program designed for parents and or family of new undergraduates, Parent Orientation aims to provide a clear explanation of the resources available to students and families alike. Parent Orientation begins this year on Wednesday, August 22nd and continues through Thursday, August 23rd. After students check in between 9am–4pm on Wednesday, parents and students will attend Convocation, which marks the beginning of orientation programming. Following Convocation, information sessions, tours, and other special events for parents and families will run until 9pm. Listed below are some of the many people and offices you will hear from and meet over the course of the evening and following day:

Dean of the College, Jeffrey Runner  
Dean of First-Year Students, Marcy Kraus  
Residential Life  
Dining  
Undergraduate Research Opportunities  
Public Safety  
Information Technology  
Student Activities  
University Health Services  
University Counseling Services  
Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning  
Office of the Dean of Students  
The Gwen M. Greene Career and Internship Center  
Parent and Family Relations

On the evening of Thursday the 23rd, there is a break in the student and parent schedules allows you and your student to have dinner together between 5:00-7:30pm, which marks the end of Parent Orientation. Students must report back to campus by 7:45 PM for a required event, then they begin their lives as UR students with a busy, exciting schedule right up to the start of classes!

Parents of international students can attend special sessions on August 21st. However, these parents are also encouraged to attend the regular Parent Orientation on the 22nd and 23rd as new, different information will be presented each day.

A complete schedule will be posted at the beginning of August. We highly encourage registration, which will be available online. We ask that you complete the digital registration form by Sunday, August 5th, to assist us in planning for your arrival.

See you in August!