



BSU/PGCPS DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM ORIENTATION

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WHAT TO DO FIRST

- Log into Bulldog Connection
 - Check your registration.
 - Check the location of your class
 - Check to see if you have any outstanding bills
- Obtain your Bulldog Identification card
- Purchase your books
- Log into Blackboard to check to see if there is information on your class(es)
- Sign up for BEES
- If you are driving, make sure you have purchased the appropriate parking pass

CHECK YOUR REGISTRATION

- During the summer the university performs Enrollment Cancellations. This action cancels the registration of any student who has an outstanding balance. For students in the Dual Enrollment program, students who are required to pay the mandatory fees and have not, will have their courses dropped.
- It is also important to make sure of the location of the course. The registrar will make final classroom assignments the weekend before the semester begins.
- A department which has scheduled a course may decide to cancel it. There are a number of reasons for this, but a check of your registration will let you know ahead of time if the course is still viable.

OBTAIN YOUR BULLDOG ID CARD

- You may obtain your Bulldog Identification card in the Bulldog ID Card Office located in the Student Center
- Take a copy of your admissions letter with a picture ID to the office.
- Once you have the valid card, go to the Thurgood Marshall Library. You will complete a form and have your card registered in the library.

PURCHASE YOUR BOOKS

- Check with the bookstore, either in person or online to learn which books are assigned for your class. You can purchase your books either in the bookstore or online. The bookstore website is: efollett.com.
- If you are a participant in the Free and Reduced Meals (FARMs) program at your high school, PGPCPS will purchase your books. They will be available in the Bulldog Card Office.

CHECK YOUR REGISTRATION

- During the summer the Department or Registrar makes corrections to the class schedule.
- The Registrar will make final rooming assignments for classes. Some classes may be moved or receive their original room assignment.
- Using your username and password, log into Bulldog Connection to see your registration. You may also check on other information in your student account.

SIGN UP FOR BEES

- Bowie State University subscribes to an external vendor, BEES, which provides txt and email alerts to our community.
- Sign up for the BEES service in order to receive messages about the urgent or emergency activities on campus.
- BEES will let you know when we are closed for the weather or if there are any emergency or dangerous activities occurring on campus.

PURCHASE YOUR PARKING PASS

- If you are driving, you are required to purchase a parking pass.
- The security department becomes very aggressive after the second week of class in enforcing the rules of parking
- The parking tickets issued at Bowie are statutory and will impact your Maryland State Drivers record if they are not paid.

EXPLORE AND PARTICIPATE!!!!

- Since you are now a student of Bowie State University, use this campus as a resource.
- Meet and speak with faculty about their disciplines and what is necessary to pursue a field in which you hold interest.
- Go to the athletic games and participate in the different student organizations and clubs. Join an organization like the our chapter of Toastmasters International which teaches people to become familiar and comfortable with public speaking.
- Try out for a play or the choir.
- Sample what Bowie has to offer

IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM

- Make me, Jerry Isaac, your first point of contact. I need to know what is happening.
- I do not resolve problems, I assist you in resolving problems and issues.