

* Indicates a Mandatory Event

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

8 a.m. - Noon

Residence Halls Open for Fall Athletes

Track and cross country (men's & women's), soccer (men's and women's), volleyball, and cheer teams move to campus.

Please check in at **Cooper Hall.** You will be directed to Mabee Library to complete the rest of your check-in (including: Business Office, Financial Aid, Academic Advising, Student Life, and Athletics). Completion of check-in is required to receive the key to your room.

Parents: Please stop by the library to enjoy some complimentary snacks, provided by the Sterling College Alumni Association. The Alumni Center is located adjacent to the entry foyer of Mabee Library, where Alumni Association staff will be on hand to welcome your family. Be sure to grab a brochure and schedule for Homecoming as well!

11:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch in the Cafeteria

Student Union

Fall meal plan begins for residential students. Bring your student ID card. Parents, family members, and guests may pay \$6.50 at the door.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Free Time

Visit the SC Bookstore, settle in to your room, go to Dollar General, team meetings, etc.

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Parent Session

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

3:30 – 4 p.m.

Refreshments

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

4 - 5 p.m.

Service of Dedication*

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

This is a special time of worship for parents and students and a space for parents to pray with and for their students.

5:30 - 7 p.m.

Warrior Welcome Dinner*

West Cafeteria, Student Union

Get helpful hints about academics, the support services available for your student, meet Student Life staff and Foundations Leaders, and learn all about Sterling College athletics.

7 p.m.

Farewell to Parents

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10 p.m.

Hall Hangout*

Your Residence Hall

Residence life staff members will discuss policies and emergency procedures for your hall.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

8 – 9 a.m.

Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Student Union

Bring your student ID card to every meal.

9 – 1 p.m.

Mandatory Physical Exams for All Athletes EXCEPT Football*

Gleason Physical Education Center

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5 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner in the Cafeteria

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7:30 p.m.

Team Meetings*

9 – 11 p.m.

O-Staff Event

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

10 – 11 a.m.

Continental Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Student Union

Bring your student ID card to every meal.

Morning

Attend a church of your choice

Go to sterling.edu/student-life/new-student-orientation and click on the Family Reference Guide for a list of local churches

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7 – 8 p.m.

Worship Service

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

MONDAY, AUGUST 13-THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

Fall athletic teams and ministry teams practice

FRIDAY, AUGUST 17

8 a.m. – Noon

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New Fall Athletes Join Orientation

7:30 p.m.

Group Class Picture*

East Cooper Lawn

Don't miss this chance to be part of SC history by having your photo taken with your new classmates.

8 – 9:30 p.m.

O-Staff Event*

Campbell Lawn

10 p.m.

Hall Hangout*

Your Residence Hall

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

8 – 9 a.m.

Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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9 – 11 a.m.

O-Staff Event

11 – 1 p.m.

Lunch Tailgate

Lawn, North of the Student Union

11 – 1 p.m.

Women's Alumni Soccer Game

Soccer Fields

1 – 3 p.m.

Men's Alumni Soccer Game

Soccer Fields

1 – 5 p.m.

Performing Arts Workshop

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

Mandatory for all Choir, Theater, & Ministry Team students.

3 - 5 p.m.

O-staff Event

5 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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6 – 8 p.m.

Community Fair

Cooper Lawn

Get to know local merchants, churches, and campus clubs.

8 – 10 p.m.

O-Staff Event

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

10 – 11 a.m.

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Morning

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11 – 1 p.m.

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3 - 5 p.m.

Pool Party, Sand Volleyball, and Games at the Lake

Sterling Lake

Shuttles will pick you up outside of Cooper Hall at 2:45 p.m. to take you to the Lake. Have fun in the sun while enjoying quality hangout time with your new classmates!

5 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner at the Lake

Sterling Lake – Cafeteria closed

8:15 – 10 p.m.

Sunday Scramble

Football Field, Smisor Stadium

MONDAY, AUGUST 20

7 – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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9 – 10 a.m.

Mandatory Safety and Emergency Preparedness Training*

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

Learn about important campus safety procedures and what to do in an emergency situation.

10 a.m. – Noon

New Student Orientation Sessions*

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

These rotating sessions will prepare you for life as a Warrior. Noon -2 p.m.

Servant Leadership Overview Lunch*

Join your Foundations of Servant Leadership instructor, peer mentor, and classmates for lunch and information.

2 – 3 p.m.

English Diagnostic Test for LL095A

Those who need to take this will be contacted. Everyone else has free time.

3 - 4 p.m.

English Diagnostic Test for LL095B

Those who need to take this will be contacted. Everyone else has free time.

4 - 5 p.m.

English Diagnostic Test for LL095C

Those who need to take this will be contacted. Everyone else has free time.

Afternoon

Free Time, Athletic Practices, Ministry Teams Practice, Choir Rehearsal, and Theatre Auditions

5 - 6 p.m.

Dinner in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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6 – 8 p.m.

Highland Games*

Front Lawn of Mabee Library

Participate in one of Sterling College's most beloved traditions. You don't want to miss out on these quirky, competitive games!

8 p.m.

Ice Cream at President Rich's Home

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

7 – 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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9 a.m. - Noon

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Noon - 1:30 p.m.

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Student Union

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Afternoon

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8 – 9:30 p.m.

Variety Show

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

This is another one of SC's best orientation traditions. Don't miss this chance to watch your peers showcase their many talents.

10 p.m.

Hall Meeting*

Your Residence Hall

Returning students are back on campus and your entire community will get together. Topics will include policies, roommates, community-building, programming, and how to make the hall your home-away-from-home.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

Classes Begin

10 a.m.

Kickoff Chapel

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

10 a.m.

First Convocation

Culbertson Auditorium, Spencer Hall

Reminder: you must attend at least 2 convocations per semester

5 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner in the Cafeteria

Student Union

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