New Student Arrival Day: Wednesday, August 30, 2017
A Guide for Parents and Families

9:00 – 2:00  New Student Arrival Site
Usdan University Center, 1st floor
Pick up your Arrival Day packet and officially begin your Wesleyan experience. Your packet contains instructions about which stations to visit at the Arrival Site and includes helpful information you will need throughout Orientation.

Student Resource Pavilion/Welcome Lounge
Beckham Hall, Fayerweather (adjacent to the Usdan University Center)
Many campus and community representatives for telephone, laundry, bank services, etc. will be available to answer your questions and set up accounts.

Residence Hall Check-In
Residence Halls
Pick up your keys at your residence hall and unload your personal belongings. Orientation leaders, Residential Life staff, and volunteers will be at each site to help you get settled. (Parking information can be found on the other side of this sheet.)

11:00 – 1:00  Lunch for Families
Usdan Marketplace, Usdan University Center
Lunch is available courtesy of University Relations and the Division of Student Affairs.

1:00 – 2:00  Parent Workshop I: Academic Support in the First Year
Crowell Concert Hall
Parents are invited to a short presentation by deans and faculty on the academic challenges typically encountered by first-year students and the support available to them. A question and answer session will follow. Facilitated by Louise S. Brown, Dean for Academic Advancement.

2:00 – 3:00  Parent Workshop II: Student Life at Wesleyan
Crowell Concert Hall
As parents, you have helped your student move into a new residence and a new environment. We’ll help them learn to navigate Wesleyan (inside and outside the classroom), but what help and support might they need from you? Join Wesleyan’s student services staff for a short presentation and discussion about first-year transitional issues and the co-curricular experience at Wesleyan. A question and answer session will follow. Facilitated by Rick Culliton, Dean of Students.

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3:15 – 4:15  President’s Remarks
Memorial Chapel
(with video feed into the Ring Family Performing Arts Hall and the Patricelli ’92 Theater.
Live remarks will also be available for viewing at http://www.wesleyan.edu/wescast/)
President Michael S. Roth ’78, members of the senior staff, and other university administrators will welcome parents and guardians of new students. Note that students will have the opportunity to hear from the President later in the day.

4:15 – 4:45  President’s Meet and Greet Gathering
Tent, Andrus Field
(in the event of severe weather the reception will be relocated to the Usdan University Center)
Following the President’s Remarks, parents and guardians of new students are invited to meet President Roth along with other members of the Wesleyan community. Beverages will be served. Families are then asked to depart following this gathering to allow students to continue with their scheduled activities.

5:00  Parents Depart

The schedule is subject to change. Visit the Orientation web site, http://www.wesleyan.edu/orientation, for the latest information.

Parking
All-day parking will be available in the Vine Street, Cross Street, Pine Street, and High/Lo Rise parking lots and provides easier on and off campus access during this time of heavy traffic. While unloading, you may temporarily park near the residence halls, where we will have additional volunteers to help. After emptying your car, please move your car to the all-day parking lots nearby, to enable other families to unload conveniently. Volunteers and signage will direct you to the closest parking lots.
Please note! Parking is limited on campus, so in the days prior to Arrival Day, please refer to the New Student Orientation web site at www.wesleyan.edu/orientation for up-to-date parking information.

Need Help?
Throughout the day, signs and Public Safety Officers will help direct you around campus. Student orientation staff in grey t-shirts will also be available. They are there to help you and your family find your way around campus. Please let them know what you need and they’ll put you in contact with all the right folks!