New Student Days Aug. 12-18

During New Student Days Aug. 12-18, new students will:

- learn more about what is expected of them academically and how to succeed.
- meet faculty members and learn their way around campus.
- get their books, pay their fees and take care of other necessary details.
- eat free food, enjoy free movies and entertainment and win prizes.
- meet and hear James McBride, author of "The Color of Water," the book they were given at Summer Orientation to read and be prepared to discuss.
- make numerous new friends.

New students will begin to move into their residence halls as early as 8 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 12. (All returning students will begin moving in Wednesday, Aug. 15.)

The week's highlights include:

**Sunday, Aug. 12**
- 8-10 a.m. – Check-in at residence halls ( commuter students check in at Powell Building)
- 11 a.m. – Community worship service, sponsored by Campus Ministries
  - Noon-6 p.m. – Laser Tag Arena, in front of Kren Johnson Building
  - 1:5 p.m. – Pay tuition, pick up ID cards, parking decals, books and financial aid information, Keen Johnson Building
  - 2:8 p.m. – Inflatable games, Powell Plaza and Center
  - 5:15 p.m. – "Advice to Parents and Students," Hunter Bates, EKU and Harvard graduate, Brock Auditorium

**Monday, Aug. 13**
- 8 a.m.-7 p.m. – Check in continues for commuters

**Tuesday, Aug. 14**
- 10-11 a.m. – "A Tale of Inspiration," James Malakshak, Brock Auditorium
  - 11:30 a.m.-Noon – Academic advising
  - 1:30-2:30 p.m. – Academic Expectations
  - 2:30-4:30 p.m. – Campus Miniseters Rally
  - 4:30-9 p.m. – Lunch Break, Brock Auditorium

**Wednesday, Aug. 15**
- 8-10 a.m. – "Life with David J," Brock Auditorium
  - 10:14 a.m. – "The Color of Water," Brock Auditorium
  - 10:30-11:30 a.m. – Orientation Class/Book Discussion
  - 12-1 p.m. – President’s Picnic, back yard of Blanton House

**Thursday, Aug. 16**
- 8:30 a.m. – "Transfer and Non-Traditional Student Orientation, Crabbe 108
- 8-9 p.m. – The Evansons, Brock Auditorium

**Friday, Aug. 17**
- 10 a.m.-Noon – Transfer and Non-Traditional Student Orientation
- 1-4 p.m. – Water Games, Kreme Hall

**Saturday, Aug. 18**
- International Student Welcome Party, Case Annex 181

One of the highlights of New Student Days will be a convocation on Wednesday, Aug. 15 featuring author, award-winning composer and saxophonist James McBride. McBride is the author of "The Color of Water: A Black Man’s Tribute to His White Mother," which was on The New York Times bestseller list for more than two years. He will address the students at 1 p.m. in Brock Auditorium.

Earlier this summer during orientation, all the students were given a copy of McBride’s book. During New Student Days, they will participate in small group discussions about the book.

McBride has faced many different experiences in his life, one of the most difficult being his search for identity. The son of a black minister and a woman who would not admit she was white, McBride grew up with his 11 siblings in the poor, all-black projects of Red Hook, Brooklyn. His mother, a fiercely protective woman, herded him brood to Manhattan’s free cultural events, sent them off on buses to the best schools, demanded good grades and commanded respect, yet kept her past a secret from her children. As a young man, McBride saw his white mother as a source of embarrassment, worry and confusion, and was 50 years old before he began to discover the truth about her early life and long-buried past.

The daughter of a failed itinerant Orthodox rabbi, McBride’s mother was born Rachael Shilsky in Poland. Her family immigrated to America and settled in Suffolk, Va. At 17, she married a black minister and founded the all-black New Brown Memorial Baptist Church.

McBride will share candid, humorous and heart-warming recollections of his own experiences as a mixed-race child of poverty, his flirtations with drugs and violence, and his eventual self-realization and professional success.

**EKU Commits to Lease to Move Danville Center to Downtown**

EKU has signed a commitment to relocate its Danville center to the Hub-Gilcher property in downtown Danville.

Officials of Third Street Development Corp., announced at a news conference July 17 that EKU is a prospective leaseholder for the property at Main and Third streets.

"We are pleased to be involved in this innovative project that will both advance Danville’s downtown area and enhance access to university-level programs and services throughout the region," said EKU Interim President Gene Hughes.

"Relocation of the EKU Center to downtown Danville and the Hub-Gilcher property will give us added flexibility for future growth."

Third Street Development has entered an agreement with Greenleaf Shopping Center Inc. to purchase for $960,000 the buildings that once housed The Hub discount store. Paperwork was expected to be complete by Aug. 1.

"We are committed to a quality development for our downtown and know EKU will bring a dynamic that will enhance other developments for this area," said Ken Harmon, president of Third Street Development Corp.

Plans are for the EKU campus to be in the Gilcher, the middle of three main buildings on Main Street. The University will use $5,000 square feet of the 86,000 total square feet.

"This opens up the Danville Center in the Danville Manor Shopping Center in 1990. The campus has experienced steady growth in number of classes and students. This fall, about 800 students are expected to enroll in more than 100 courses.

"Centers such as Danville’s are really on the leading edge of what is happening in higher education today," Hughes said. "The City of Danville owns a nearby parking lot and city officials have begun exploring the possibility of building a parking garage."

"No timetable has been set for the possible relocation."
Announcements

ResNet Expands Services
ResNet, the computer network provided to students living on campus, is new and improved. The service’s Web site, www.resnet.eku.edu, offers thousands of software titles for dorm download, an extensive support center, bulletin boards, a cleaner look and easier navigation and rotating EKU-specific promotions.

ResNet allows students living in residence halls and Brockton to connect their personal computers – when equipped with a 10BaseT Ethernet adapter – directly to EKU’s network and to the Internet. The connection is up to 50 times faster than a modem, and there are no time limits.

ResNet does not charge monthly fees and customer support is free. The only cost some may incur is for an Ethernet adapter.

To connect for 2001-02, apply for service in Burnam A beginning Aug. 15. For more information, call 622-3650.

Hatfield Wins B&T Honor
Guy Hatfield, owner/publisher of weekly newspapers in Irvine, Clay City and Flemingsburg, is the first recipient of the Excellence in Entrepreneurship Award sponsored by EKU’s College of Business & Technology. The EKU award, to be given annually to an Eastern graduate who has distinguished himself or herself in entrepreneurial efforts within a 47-county area of central and southeastern Kentucky, comes only weeks after Hatfield became the first EKU graduate ever inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame.

Hatfield, who earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and served as EKU’s student regent, started the Citizen Voice and Times in Irvine in 1973. The publication has been named Kentucky’s best weekly newspaper 16 times. In 1994, he purchased the Clay City Times and added the Flemingsburg Gazette in 1999.

Check-Cashing Policy Changes
All University employees and students now must present a photo ID for on-campus check-cashing privileges. Personal checks should be made payable to self and signed on the back. Any student or employee with a past due account or three or more returned checks will lose their check-cashing privileges.

Gump Receives State Award
Dr. John Gump, who recently retired after a 27-year career in EKU’s College of Business & Technology, has received the Distinguished Service Award from the Kentucky Association of Cooperative Education and Career Employment. Gump joined the EKU faculty in 1974 and since 1986 had served as the faculty coordinator for co-op students from the College. He retired this year as a professor of information systems.

“John’s extraordinary commitment to Eastern Kentucky University students and to the Co-op program as well as his dedication to CE&K (Cooperative Education Association of Kentucky) and KACECE (Kentucky Association of Cooperative Education and Career Employment) has certainly earned him the admiration and respect of his colleagues,” said Gladys Johnson, director of EKU’s Division of Cooperative Education. Gump served as treasurer of CE&K and KACECE and currently serves as treasurer of the Midwest Cooperative Education Association.

“Is he sought out by new faculty co-op coordinators at EKU for professional advice and often served in an unofficial role as their mentor,” Johnson said. “John personally made site visits for over 50 co-op students each semester since 1986. Countless students have commented on his kindness and genuine concern for their personal and professional development.”

Oerthel New Tennis Coach
Rob Oerthel is the new head coach of the men’s and women’s tennis teams at EKU.

Oerthel comes to Eastern after serving in head coaching positions at the University of Denver and Indiana State. At Denver, Oerthel served as the head coach for the men and women and established a highly competitive Division I program. As the men’s coach, at IU, he led the team to a national ranking.

Overall, Oerthel’s coaching record during his 11 seasons in Division I is 127-118. In 1995, he was selected as the Missouri Valley Conference Tennis Coach of the Year.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Oerthel earned NCAA All-American honors in singles and doubles and was inducted into the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame in 1996.

Ratcliffe Promoted to Associate AD
Derita Ratcliffe, former assistant athletics director at EKU, has been promoted to associate athletics director.

Ratcliffe’s duties will include supervision responsibility for 10 of EKU’s 16 sports, working with the athletic-academic support program and development of programs that enhance the student-athletes’ involvement.

“Derita has done an excellent job as senior woman administrator for the Athletics Department,” said EKU Athletics Director Clap Smith. “Her work in University activities and strong support of the student-athlete experience has been of the highest caliber.”

Ratcliffe, 34, was appointed assistant athletics director and senior woman administrator in 1999. Previously, she served as director of student life and assistant athletics director at Virginia Tech University.

The Portsmouth, Va., native received her bachelor’s degree in psychology from James Madison University in 1989 and a master’s degree in clinical psychology in 1995 from Virginia Tech.

Football Game Times Changed
The starting times for two EKU home football games, including Homecoming, have been changed to accommodate a telecast by Fox Sports Net South.

The Sept. 22 game with Eastern Illinois has been moved to noon, and the Homecoming game on Oct. 20 against Tennessee Tech has been switched to 4 p.m.

Pops at the Park
Pops at the Park Saturday, Aug. 18 at White Hall State Historic Site.

Passport tickets for Richmond Live! 2001 are available at the Coates Cashier’s Window through Thursday, Aug. 16.

The tickets, at $54 each, enable buyers to head Pops at the Park, the Richmond Area Arts Council Gala at Elmwood, a presentation by EKU College of Business & Technology, Distinguished Speaker Dustin McCoy and a World of The Classics. The event is sponsored by EKU College of Business & Technology.

Newspaper tickets are $10 each, and children under 12 are free when accompanied by an adult. Pops will feature the EKU Symphony Orchestra and the ‘60s rock and roll music of The Classics. The event is sponsored by the Chamber, WYRT and Bank One.

For more information, call the Chamber at 625-1720.
A Typical Day in the Life of a Governor’s Scholar

It was an exciting June for Amber Jones of London.

In the span of a week, the junior middle school math and science education major at EKU learned she was one of 15 nationally and the only Kentuckian named to the inaugural America’s Promise Youth Partnership Team and competed in the Miss Kentucky Program, where she finished in the top 10 and received the Academic Scholar Award.

The Youth Partnership Team, comprised of individuals ages 14-22 from America’s Promise partners and Communities of Promise around the country, will serve as a sounding board and leadership group for the America’s Promise staff and movement.

At the heart of the America’s Promise movement is the tent that young people are building to house the wall of their community, said the chief executive officer of the America’s Promise Alliance, to engage an ever-increasing number of young people in the important work of communities nationwide. Young people must be seen – and see themselves – as a vital source of service to benefit other children and youth.

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When Eastern hosted the America’s Promise Kentucky Summit last year, Jones was one of 50 Kentuckians invited to participate in a roundtable headed by U.S. Secretary of State Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of America’s Promise.

“Amber has shown repeatedly that she is a vital source of service and leadership for America’s Promise at EKU,” said Nancy Thames, director of Eastern’s Community of Promise.

“Her hard work and dedication to others is never-ending...it is a pleasure for us to have someone like Amber taking the lead,” said Thames.

“As teachers, we are mentors and role models and have a tremendous effect on children’s lives,” she said. “This will give me an outlet to do that.”

In addition to her heavy involvement with EKU’s University of Promise program, Jones maintains a 3.95 GPA, serves as philanthropy and efficiency chair in Kappa Delta, works as a mathematics tutor, is a member of Kappa Mu Epsilon (a mathematics honorary society), and participates in Campus Crusades and the Baptist Student Union.

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**Current Position at EKU:** Secretary in the Transportation Department, Division of Public Safety.

**Spring Community Education Schedule Includes 130-Plus Courses**

- Long Form, Line Dancing, Coffee Connoisseur, 1228.
- Class registrations will be accepted beginning Aug. 16. To register or for more information, call 622-
- Costs among 130-plus offerings.
- Workforce Education will offer 16 new community education courses this fall.
- One Stroke Painting, piano and banjo courses.
- Spiritual Development classes include: English: Shakespeare, Shakespeare in the Park, Shakespeare's Sonnets, and a variety of basket weaving options.
- Recreation courses include: Adult Tennis, Tai Chi, Yoga, Karate for All Ages, Social Dance, Couples Massage, Belly Dancing, Golf Academy, Body Recall, Scuba Diving, Social Dancing and the usual swimming lessons.

**Reagle Named Student Affairs Associate VP**

Dr. Mike Reagle brings more than a decade of experience in educational student affairs to his new position as associate vice president for student affairs. Reagle most recently was dean of students at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas, a position he had held since 1995. He also has served as associate dean of students at California Baptist College and held student affairs positions at California State University Fresno and the University of Delaware.

His goal at EKU, Reagle said, “is to complement the good things already happening in Student Affairs. I want to bring a continued emphasis on personal contact with students and work with the staff to ensure we all have that emphasis. Student interaction is why I do what I do.”

**When did you begin working at EKU?**

I first came here in 1969, then left about 1971 when my husband left to get his doctorate at the University of Cincinnati. I stayed home after our daughter was born and came back to Eastern in 1984.

**What are your interests and hobbies?**

I like to travel and I enjoy shopping. I don’t necessarily have to spend money, but I do like to shop. My father informed Bob when we got married that I was very good at ordering from a menu – I like to do that.

**What is your favorite TV show?**

I like “Judging Amy” – that’s probably one of my favorite ones. I think that’s a good show. And I like “Law and Order.”

**What is your favorite movie?**

I’m probably going to get old here, but I like “My Fair Lady.” That’s one of my favorites. I love musicals. That’s probably my favorite. I also like “Sound of Music.”

**What is in your CD or tape player at home right now?**

Barbara Streisand. I love Barbara Streisand. I probably have that in the car also. Sometimes I get to listen to it more there.

**Can you recall your most embarrassing moment?**

Bob and I had not been married very long and we were having a reception and since our apartment was small at that time, the chairman of the department offered to let us have it at his house. I was making a punch and it was a complicated one with mints and all these ingredients. First, I had to borrow a cup of sugar. Then the punch had to be drained – and well, you have to put something underneath to catch it. I basically just poured it down the drain. I was too embarrassed to borrow more sugar so I went out and bought the ingredients to make the punch again.

**Can you recall the proudest moment of your life?**

One of my proudest moments involved typing my husband’s doctoral dissertation. We had to do this many times. We did not have computers at that time – it was strictly typewriters. Every time something was wrong, you had to do that page completely over. So I was proud of that. And then his adviser wanted to make sure I came in when it was done. He said I was just as much involved and just as much a part of it as anyone. And I was very proud of that. And then of course, I’m proud of my daughter and all that she’s accomplished.

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I don’t think I have any surprises. I’m a very dull person.

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Computer training courses cover many major software programs, such as Excel, PowerPoint and FrontPage. Microsoft Office User Specialist (MOCS) Certification Training will again be offered.

Personal development courses include language courses in Japanese, Spanish, American Sign Language, as well as Talk to Your Emborn Child, Reiki I and II, Self-Hypnosis, and Dealing with Death and Dying, among others.

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Other courses include GRE Test Prep, Bookkeeping for Business and on-line real estate continuing education courses.

Do-it-yourselfers can choose from among: Estate Planning, Advanced Stock Picking, Debt Free Living, Basic Wiring and Appliance Efficiency, Homebuilder’s Workshop, Furniture Repair and Restoration and Babybysting Basics. Dozens of arts and craft classes are scheduled. They include Book Binding, Stained Glass, Glass Etching, Wood Carving, Oil Painting, One Stroke Painting, piano and banjo courses and a variety of basket weaving options.

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Dee Cockrille, vice president for student affairs, notes that as an experienced chief student affairs officer, Reagle “has the big picture in terms of how to serve students and design programs to promote development and growth, and understands the complex dynamics involved in the retention process. He is committed to the interweaving of students’ academic, interpersonal and developmental experiences.

Eastern’s students will greatly benefit from this philosophical emphasis.”

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