



# J.F. DRAKE STATE

## COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

*Office of the Enrollment Services Manager*

## Spring 2017 iStart Strong Early New Student Orientation

Welcome! We are looking forward to your arrival on the J.F. Drake State campus for the Spring 2017 semester. **To help you start strong, you are required to attend one of our New Student Orientation (NSO) sessions.** During the session you will be introduced to the Drake State Experience, shown how to access the Spring 2017 schedule of classes online, review your degree plan, and begin your course advising process.

The iStart Strong New Student Orientation will be available on **Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 9:30am-11:30**. NSO will also be available on **Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> 9:30am-11:30 am or 5:30pm-7:30pm** and **Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 9:30am-11:30am and 5:30pm-7:30pm**. Orientation will take place in the **Library Lecture Hall**. Please choose a date and time that works with your schedule best. You can register for NSO at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/istart-strong-new-student-orientation-tickets-28362541124>.

### **Steps to Success before attending NSO (Please make sure you have completed the following items):**

1. Transcripts: Send official high school transcripts or GED transcripts and request all college transcripts from previous institutions to be sent to Drake State.
2. Complete the Eligibility for In-State Residency Form and submit all supporting documents.
3. Take the ACCUPLACER Placement Exam and/or submit ACT scores. Please plan accordingly as the test can take up to 2.5 hours. The testing center is located in Building 700, RM 705. Appointments are not needed.
4. Complete the Financial Aid Application: For all questions concerning assistance with the cost of education visit the Financial Aid Office located in Building 700, RM 703.

When you arrive for NSO, please bring your D number (available on our website in Drake Online Services), bring any outstanding paperwork and your ACCUPLACER assessment scores to facilitate registering for your classes.

If you have any questions or need additional information regarding orientation, please contact me at 256-551-7265 or [tiffany.green@drakestate.edu](mailto:tiffany.green@drakestate.edu).

Sincerely,

*Tiffany Green*

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