Cyclone Family Weekend 2021

Visiting campus on Family Weekend allows you to see your student in their college environment, meet their friends, and engage with other Iowa State University families, administrators, faculty, and staff. In addition, you get to explore the Ames community!

Most of our events are located on campus. View our campus map.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!
Register now by clicking here!

Featured Events

Outdoor Movie on the Quad
*Friday, September 17th: 8pm*
Wrap up your first night of Family Weekend as we watch a movie under the starts right out on the Campanile Quad. You do not want to miss out on this family friendly film. We encourage you to bring blankets and we will provide the snacks and entertainment, deal?

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Schedule of Events

Events Throughout the Weekend

Check-In and Information Table
Memorial Union Outside the Great Hall
Friday, September 17: 4pm – 8pm
Saturday, September 18: 10am – 12pm

Recreation Services
State Gym, Lied Recreation
Come check out the state-of-the-art recreational facilities ISU has to offer! Parents and guests gain free admission to all Iowa State recreation facilities throughout the weekend. For a complete list of facilities and hours, visit https://www.recservices.iastate.edu/facilities/facilities-hours/.

Workspace
East basement of the Memorial Union
Spend time with your family using your creative side! Stop by the Workspace in the Memorial Union to do a craft together that will remind you of your time at Family Weekend 2021. Check out the hours and location here: https://www.sac.iastate.edu/arts-the-workspace/about-the-workspace/

CyBowl and Billiards
Lower level of the Memorial Union
Looking to show off those bowling skills? Head on down to Cybowl and play a couple of games. Cybowl has 8 bowling lanes and 9 billiards tables available for use. Cybowl will be reserved for families from 7pm-10pm on Friday evening on a first come, first served basis. Cybowl and Billiards is open during regular hours for families to visit throughout the weekend. Find their updated hours on their website here: https://www.sac.iastate.edu/cybowl-billiards/

Maintenance Shop
Lower level, west-end of Memorial Union
Take the family to the oldest continuously operating nightclub in Ames, the M-Shop! Check out the calendar of events on their website and plan to stop in this cool space in the Memorial Union.
https://www.sub.iastate.edu/maintenance-shop/

Reiman Gardens
1407 University Blvd.
Plan to visit the beautiful Reiman Gardens near Jack Trice Stadium during your visit for Family Weekend. Visit the Gardens, Elwood - the World’s Largest Concrete Gnome, the Christina Reiman Butterfly Wing, the Hughes Conservatory, and beautiful quilts from the Quilt Show! Discounted tickets available to Family Weekend registrants during Family Weekend. https://www.sub.iastate.edu/maintenance-shop/
Friday, September 17

Welcome Reception $ Memorial Union Terrace
*Friday, September 17th: 5pm – 7:30pm*
Kick-off Cyclone Family Weekend right and join us on the Memorial Union Terrace for live music, caricature artists, and food trucks. This will be a great opportunity to mingle and interact with other ISU families and ISU staff. Hang out and enjoy our beautiful campus before your evening plans!
*Food trucks only take card and cash will not be accepted*

CyBowl and Billiards
*First floor of the Memorial Union*
*Friday, September 17th: 7pm - 10pm*
Looking to show off those bowling skills? Head on down to Cybowl and play a couple of games. Cybowl will be available from 7pm-10pm on a first come, first served basis.

Family Bingo
*Memorial Union Sunroom*
*Friday, September 17th: 7pm - 9pm*
Want to win some fun and cool prizes? Then you do not want to miss out on the Bingo game that’s going to take place in the Memorial Union Sunroom. There will be 9 rounds of bingo, each with its own unique prize!  
*P.S.- be on the lookout for our celebrity caller*

Family DIY Craft
*Workspace, First floor of the Memorial Union*
*Friday, September 17th: 6pm - 9pm*
Spend time with your family using your creative side! Stop by the Workspace in the Memorial Union to do a craft together that will remind you of your time at Family Weekend 2021.

Faculty Composition Recital
*Martha-Ellen Tye Recital Hall*
*Friday, September 17th: 7:30pm*
Works by award-winning ISU pianist Jodi Goble performed by faculty colleagues, students, and former students. Collaborators include Mary Creswell, Chad Sonka, Jonathan and Julie Sturm, Beth Deutmeyer, Shelby VanNordstrand, Ashley Sievers, Drew Duncan, and ISU Cantamus.

Outdoor Movie
*Campanile Quad*
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Saturday, September 18

Ames Farmers’ Market
Ames Main Street
Saturday, September 18th: 8am-12:30pm
The Ames Main Street Farmers Market is truly a community event, that is excited to bring people together from the surrounding area to enjoy the bounty of the locally grown produce, delicious baked goods and beautifully hand crafted items. http://www.amesmainstreetfarmersmarket.com/

Campus Tour
Student Innovation Center
Saturday, September 18th: 10am-5pm
Brand new in 2019, Iowa State University offers a transformative student experience at the Student Innovation Center. Rich in new ideas, diverse perspectives, and imaginative people so that students can be inspired to think differently and create change; the Student Innovation Center is the nexus for that change.
*This is a self-guided tour of the center*

Campus Art Walking Tour
Thank you for your interest in the Campus Art Walking Tour. This event is at capacity and preregistration is required. We hope you will enjoy many of the other programs at Family Weekend 2021!
Saturday, September 18th: 11am, Beginning at Memorial Union
Join the ISU Art Museum staff on a walking tour of selected working in the ISU Public Art Collection. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about the history of the program and the artists and collaborators who created the site-specific works. The tour will begin at 11:00am and will be held weather permitting.

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Family Brunch
Alumni Center
**Sunday, September 19th: Seating beginning at 9:00 a.m.**
Wrap up your weekend at ISU with a family brunch at the Alumni Center. Take in the Cyclone history displayed at the Alumni Center and share highlights from the weekend with other ISU families. You will be able to select a time to have brunch but move quickly as they are going fast!

Collage of Choirs
Outdoors, Parks Library
*This event location has been updated from original publication*
**Sunday, September 19th: 3pm**
Join the Music Department for a free, outdoor concert in front of Parks Library with ISU Choir performing.

**Registration Location**
**Check-in for families on Friday, September 17th will be in the Memorial Union outside the Great Hall.**