Happy Graduation Month! Can you believe that you are graduating from high school?! On behalf of the Mines' community, please accept our congrats and a BIG high five. We understand that your brain is focused on decorating your mortarboard, practicing your diploma acceptance smile and planning your graduation party, but do take a few moments to read through this newsletter to help ensure a smooth transition to Mines.

This newsletter, along with previous and future ones will be saved on our accepted student webpage for future reference.

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**2018 E-Days**

Last month, you saw the E-Days theme release video. This month, check out this E-Days 2018 - Lost at SEa Days overview video.
Admissions

Final High School Transcript
Please don't forget to request your final high school transcripts at the end of the semester (and before your school closes for summer break) and have them sent to our office.

Activate your Trailhead Account
If you have yet to do so, please activate your Trailhead account (your current student portal) as soon as possible. You can begin this process [here](#) and will need your Campus Wide Identification (CWID).

As a reminder, your CWID is:

Keep your CWID handy as you will also need it to access the student portal, [Trailhead](#). Through Trailhead, you can review your financial aid award letter, set up your Mines email and you will have access to your student account, among other things.

Please Note: All communications from the Department of Residence Life will be sent to your Mines email account. If you made your $200 deposit yesterday, please allow 24 hours for the Housing Portal to be available on your Trailhead account.

Enrollment Policy Form
Prior to your official enrollment in August, please take a moment to complete our [Enrollment Policy Form](#).
Welcome new Orediggers!

Derek, Colin, and I welcome you to the next step in your college career. CLASS – Campus Life and Student Success - consists of multiple immediately relevant offices for incoming students, including New Student Transition (NEsT), Residence Life, Center for Academic Support and Advising (CASA), Counseling Center, Career Center and Student Activities Involvement & Leadership (SAIL).

CLASS strives to support and provide a rich and developmental “out of classroom” education experience. More, we work to strengthen your “in classroom” experiences with support services such as CSM101 and tutoring.

We believe you deserve rich experiences in and out of the classroom. We strive to help students develop their minds and the skills needed for a mature adulthood. In partnership with our campus community, we inspire students to climb to new heights, empower authentic leadership and strengthen pride in Mines.

Please take advantage of all the great offerings coming your way. Orientation is run by NEsT and SAIL, and there will be tons of fun things to do on Kickoff Weekend and throughout the school year.

Our aim is to inspire students to experience all new opportunities, to self-advocate and to become leaders in their own lives as well as to instill a sense of belonging and pride in being an Oredigger.
We look forward to seeing you in August!

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**Department of Residence Life**

Tomorrow, **Thursday, May 3rd** is the Theme Learning Community (TLC) application deadline.

During the week of May 7th, you will find out your status and can choose roommates within the TLCs.

**Tuesday, May 15th** is the Housing application deadline.

As you review the roommate finder, please note that many of our rooms have been tripled and many of you will be living with two roommates. We suggest looking for two folks who you’d like to live with.

Click [here](#) for additional information about residence life for new students.

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**Student Health Center**

**Required Immunizations**

We look forward to welcoming you here in August. In order to ensure a smooth transition, please send the following **required** information via the Mines Health Portal (in **Trailhead**) prior to June 15, 2018.

- MMR: Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine (two vaccines)
- TB Screening Questions (also Tuberculosis testing results, if indicated)
- Meningococcal ACWY Vaccine within the last 5 years or waiver form (if you are living on campus)
- Consent to Treat Minor (if under age 18 as of August 20)

If you have not already done so, please ensure that you activate your **Trailhead** account before accessing the Mines Health Portal.

Complete details about health requirements and how to enter your information into the Health Portal can be found [here](#). Please be sure to upload all required supporting documents to the Health Portal so that your record may be verified.
Office of Financial Aid

Newsletter Sign Up
Parents and family members are strongly encouraged to subscribe to our quarterly newsletter so they can stay up-to-date on important deadlines and information about financial aid. Click here to sign up.

Completing Financial Aid Requirements
In Trailhead, go to the Financial Aid tab (left-hand toolbar)>Requirements (blue section)>2018-2019 to ensure you have turned in all financial aid documentation. Please Note: Work study contracts are not due until you arrive on campus and find a job.

Student and Parent Loan Information
Information about the loan completion process will be mailed via U.S. Post and emailed in June. There is no need to complete any loan documentation at this time.

Interested in Starting at Mines this Summer?

Below are some great opportunities to take classes at Mines this summer.

Intro to Design Summer Sessions
Get a jumpstart on your degree by registering for a summer session of Intro to Design, Mines’ required, first-year design program.

In this problem-based, open-ended problem solving course, you’ll work with a team to tackle some of the world’s most important issues. Not only will you arrive at Mines with some of the most critical skills needed in becoming a successful engineer or scientist, but you’ll also be freeing up extra space in your Fall or Spring schedule, which will make your scheduling a bit easier down the road.

Intro to Design, EDNS151, is offered in summer session 2. Additional information on Intro to Design and the Cornerstone Design program can be found here.

If you have any questions about the course or registration, please contact Leslie Light at LLight@mines.edu.edu.

Principles of Chemistry I
The Mines’ Chemistry Department offers Principles of Chemistry I, CHGN 121, a required course for all students, in summer session 2 (June 25-Aug. 3). This four-credit course with lab will run M,T,W,Th from 9-10:50 am for class and T,Th 12-3:30 pm for lab (both class and lab must be taken concurrently).

Please feel free to contact the Chemistry Department with any questions.

Already an expert in Chemistry? We offer Challenge exams for Chemistry I and II at the beginning of every semester. Please watch for an email with information late in the summer.
**Introduction to Computer Science (CSCI 101)**

During summer session 2 (June 25-Aug. 3), Mines students have the opportunity to learn the building blocks of computer science (CS). CSCI 101 is a breadth CS course with content on data representation, computer hardware, operating systems, networks, cybersecurity, machine and programming (Python). This course is required for all CS majors and an optional distributed science course for many other majors. It will be taught M,T,W,Th from 12-1:45 pm during summer session 2.

CS@Mines offers a challenge exam in August for students who feel well-versed in computing.

Contact the [Department of Computer Science](mailto:) with any questions.

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**Center for Academic Services & Advising (CASA)**

**Welcome to Mines from all of us in CASA!**

*Team CASA at the 2018 Ore Cart Pull. From Left to Right: Kyle, Amy, Jen, Erica and Lisa*

**What is CASA, you ask?**

CASA is the Center for Academic Services & Advising. We are in a physical casa, or house, on the corner of 17th and Elm. We are the home for all things related to academic success and support at Mines, offering a variety of programs and services:

**Academic Advising**

We advise all new students at Mines to ensure you are progressing through the Core Curriculum. You will have an advisor in CASA until you declare your major, typically during your sophomore year.

**Peer Advisors**

CASA's Peer Advisors are upper-level peers who are passionate about helping all Mines students throughout their academic journey. They work at the front of CASA and are ready to help when you visit.

**Tutoring**
CASA offers free peer tutoring for all core classes and many upper-level courses. Tutoring is provided in Arthur Lakes Library as well as the CASA study hall.

**CSI**
CSI stands for Core Supplemental Instruction, course-specific assistance in Calculus, Chemistry, Biology and Physics. Workshops are offered once per week that review practice problems, worksheets and exam review.

**Academic Coaching**
Academic Coaching incorporates academic support strategies through individualized meetings. These meetings are helpful for students in the transition from high school to college.

**Faculty in CASA**
Faculty in CASA is an award-winning program in which faculty host their office hours at CASA. This program promotes student-faculty interaction in a welcoming environment.

We look forward to working with you! Be sure to visit us when you arrive on campus!

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**Join a Meet Up Near You**

Meet Ups will be happening across the U.S. for accepted students and their families in the following cities:

- Minneapolis, MN on May 5th, 2018
- Lincoln, NE on May 6th, 2018
- Chicago, IL on May 12th, 2018
- Tucson, AZ on May 12th, 2018

If you live near one of these areas, don’t forget to RSVP using the link we emailed you. If you didn’t get the invitation, we’d love for you to attend! Just email Amanda Rodriguez, Admissions Counselor, at arodriguez@mines.edu and request that the invitation be emailed to you.

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**Bursar's Office**

**eBills**
All bills for Mines are generated electronically. eBills for Fall will be available in early August on your My Account Page in Trailhead. Tuition and fees are always due on the first business day after Census day for that semester. For this Fall, that date is September 5. Please see our website for more details.

**Payment Plans**
If you are interested in paying for tuition and fees through a payment plan, once you have activated your Trailhead account, then you can enroll in the Fall payment plan. The Fall payment plan are open. More information can be found here.
Parent PIN Access

Watch this video to see how to give your parents access to your My Account Page. This allows them to see the financial information of your account.

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High Grade

*High Grade* is Mines' annual journal of the arts (since 1976), featuring all genres of original fiction, poetry, photography, art and music from students, faculty, staff and alumni. We're dedicated to putting the Arts back in STEM, full steam! Hope you'll join our efforts when you're an Oredigger!

Learn more and download our journal [here](#).

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Greek Life

The Mines Panhellenic & Interfraternity Council continuously strive to make a positive impact on our community. We, as Greek Life members, stand for service and understand the importance of teamwork in the quest for global change.

So far, this semester alone, the Greek community has volunteered 1800 hours and raised over $3,800 for various philanthropies such as the Rocky Mountain Center for Multiple Sclerosis, the Bridge Project, Children's Literacy and Women's Heart Health. If you are interested in helping us serve, please feel free to talk to our representatives at the LAUNCH events or please visit our [website](#).
Students interested in mathematics are encouraged to enroll in the Honors track, i.e., Calculus 2 (MATH122), Calculus 3 (MATH223/224) and Differential Equations (MATH235), as appropriate.

The Honors courses contain the same content as the standard core curriculum. In some cases, additional content is included. In all cases, the courses include educational outcomes focused on the practicing of mathematical writing. Additionally, the Honors courses focus on active learning through structured learning groups.

The link below is used to solicit enrollment of students carrying pre-existing mathematics credit. We include it here and ask all students who are intrinsically motivated to study mathematics to consider enrollment in these courses now or in the future. The AMS honors courses are challenging but rewarding.

Learn more about this opportunity!

Here are what some students are saying about the courses:

"This was the best class I think I have ever had. I had so much fun in class and never missed a day!"

"The emphasis on the conceptual, while amazingly difficult, also really helps promote a deeper understanding of the class."

Department of Military Science (Army R.O.T.C.)

If you plan to take R.O.T.C. classes and have yet to register, please contact Fran Aguilar, Administrative Assistant/University R.O.T.C. Liaison, by emailing or calling 303.273.3380. Mines' Air Force and ARMY R.O.T.C. Info
Mines in the News

Mines Innovation Week showcases student ingenuity

Mines concrete canoe team earns high marks at regional contest

Mines students making a name for themselves at hackathons

Check out the Mines Newsroom for more news.

Join the Conversation!

CONGRATULATIONS!
Mines is committed to providing a fully accessible experience to all students and their families. If you’re planning to attend a forthcoming campus event and may benefit from any disability accommodation, please proactively communicate with the Admissions Office at admissions@mines.edu. If you would like more information about Disability Support Services at Mines or the process for requesting accommodations, please visit: disabilities.mines.edu.