Happy July to you! Have you selected your 10(ish) pound rock for the infamous M Climb, yet? Not familiar with this Mines tradition? It's one of the first traditions you'll experience as an Oredigger. Click the video below.

Big thanks to recent Mines grad, Billy Ciccone, for creating this video.

As always, this newsletter, along with previous and future ones, are saved on our accepted student webpage. If there's any information that you would like to see in a future newsletter, please let us know by emailing your suggestions to Nicole Vilegi-Sandage, Associate Director of Undergraduate Admissions.
Admissions

Final, Official High School and/or College Transcripts
Please don't forget to request your final, official high school and/or college transcripts and have them sent to our office (Office of Undergraduate Admissions - 1812 Illinois St. Golden, CO 80401).

If you are an incoming transfer student or you are a student who has completed dual enrollment credit during high school, you must submit your official final college transcripts to us as soon as possible to avoid a registration hold being placed on your student record.

Tuition Classification Form
Completion and submission of the Tuition Verification Form, found on your Applicant Portal, is required for all incoming students. If you are under 23 years of age, your Parent/Legal Guardian must assist you with completing the form. Quick link to your Applicant Portal.

Enrollment Policy Form
Prior to attending Mines, your confirmation and acknowledgment of our enrollment policies is mandatory and can be completed via the Enrollment Policy Form found on your Applicant Portal. Quick link to your Applicant Portal.

Mines.edu Email Account
If you have yet to do so, please start checking your mymail.mines.edu email account. Many departments will only communicate with you via this address so we don't want you to miss any important updates. Your Trailhead account must be activated in order to access this email address.

Update Your Email Address
If you are currently using a high school or college email address that has been or will be terminated, please ensure that we have your most up-to-date email address on record. To inform us of an update, please email admissions@mines.edu with your CWID (xxxxxxxx) and new email address.

Incoming Oredigger Checklist
The Incoming Oredigger Checklist has been updated and includes your June-August checklist items and deadlines.

Photo/Multimedia Release Form
The Mines Photo/Multimedia Model Release Form was recently added to your Applicant Portal checklist. Please complete this form prior to arriving on campus in August (it will take less than a few minutes to read, indicate your preference and sign). Quick link to your Applicant Portal.

Not Planning on Attending Mines?
If you are no longer planning on attending Mines, please let us know as soon as possible by emailing admissions@mines.edu or calling us at 303.384.2027. Please provide your name and CWID.
Oredigger Camp

Check out some highlights from Oredigger Camp - 2017 in the video below.

A few weeks before the start of classes, more than 600 first-year students get to spend two and a half days in the Rocky Mountains - having fun, making friends and getting an introduction to what it means to be an Oredigger.

There are three sessions of camp and all will be held at the YMCA of the Rockies, in Estes Park.

**Spaces are filling up fast so if you'd like to be a part of camp, register today!**

- Oredigger Camp 1: July 30 - August 1
- Oredigger Camp 2: August 1 - August 3
- Oredigger Camp 3: August 3 - August 5

Payment for Oredigger camp is due by July 17. Additional Oredigger Camp information can be found [here](#).

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First Year Common Read Program

In order to ease the college transition, we established the **Mines First Year Common Read program**. This program provides the opportunity to arrive on campus having already shared an experience with your peers as well as with many staff and faculty. This book will help shape the fabric of our community this fall and going forward.

This year, we are asking that you read *The Other Wes Moore*, by Wes Moore.
This book was chosen by current students, staff and faculty based on its rich themes and many launching points for good conversation. The book can be purchased at many online retailers, our campus bookstore, or can be borrowed from your local library.

This is a required read for all incoming students, prior to the first week of classes. It will then be discussed throughout the fall semester in venues like CSM101, club meetings, campus wide discussion groups and large scale events. We will also be in touch throughout the summer with questions to think about as you read the book.

Click here for more info about the First Year Common Read program.

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**Alumni Office & Foundation**

**Meet Other Orediggers in Your Community!**

Before you pack your bags and head to Golden, attend a **welcome party** in your area. Welcome parties bring together incoming students and their families, current students who are home for the summer and local alumni to celebrate the Mines spirit before the academic year begins. Make a connection!

Click [here](#) to find the party nearest you.
Move-In Day Hospitality
Take a break on Move-In Day to grab a snack and get advice from alumni and faculty. Visit the hospitality tent in the plaza southeast of Elm Hall on August 16, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Registrar's Office

Here is a short timeline of what to expect for registration:

- **First week in July:** AP and IB scores are received and loaded into the student information system.
- **Second week in July:** All AP, IB and college transfer credits are finalized and made equivalent to Mines courses.
- **Third and fourth week in July:** We create all schedules for new incoming students. During this time, you may have a schedule in your Trailhead account, but it could change.
- **August 1:** All schedules are finalized.

On August 1, your schedule will be final. Please do not drop or add courses this first term as there may not be seats open in the courses that you prefer. If you feel there has been a genuine mistake in your schedule (such as transfer work not showing on your record or your major is listed incorrectly), after August 1, please contact registrar@mines.edu so that we can assist you in adjusting your schedule.

Student Health Center

If you have yet to enter and upload all of the required information via the Mines Health Portal (in Trailhead), please do so immediately. We may have sent you secure messages, so please be sure to check your Mines email account.

**As a reminder, the following information was due on June 15, 2018:**

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

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.

Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#) for fun and quick information updates.

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**Department of Residence Life & Housing**

Move-In Days are a little over a month away!

**Tues. Aug. 14, 10am-2pm: Theme Learning Community (TLC) Move-In Day.**
Your Residence Life Coordinator will send you specific TLC move-in information.

**Thurs. Aug. 16, 8am-4pm: All First-Year Students Move-In Day.**
The early morning is our busiest time, so if you’re local and can wait a few hours, it will help ease traffic, you will receive more move-in help and it will be a little less hectic.

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information about Move-In Days. We continually update this site and will send emails via your mymail.mines.edu to help you prepare for move-in.

By now you should have received room information, roommates (found in the Housing Portal on [Trailhead](#)). If you have yet to reach out to your roommate(s), now is a great time to connect! Get to know each other, figure out who is bringing what, etc. It will make things much easier next month when you’re moving in.

The Residence Assistants (RAs) will be reaching out to you via your Mines email this month to introduce themselves and welcome you to campus. RAs are upper-class students who live on the floors and serve as a resource to our residents, a presence on the floor and someone who will enforce the policies and community standards.

We are very excited to welcome you next month.

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**Golden or Bust!**

Curious how to get to campus from Denver International Airport? Which hotels are within walking distance from campus? Where you’re going to get XL twin sheets, microwave popcorn and Ramen noodles? Save yourself some time and click the link below for a listing of local retailers and resources (this list is by no means exhaustive, but it's a good start).

[Incoming OreDigger Arrival Resources](#)
**Department of Financial Aid**

**Newsletter Sign Up**  
Parents and family members are strongly encouraged to subscribe to our quarterly newsletter to stay up-to-date on important deadlines and information about financial aid. Click [here](#) to sign up.

**Outside Scholarships**  
If you are awarded scholarships from a source outside of Mines, you must report the scholarship to the Financial Aid Office using the notification form found [here](#). Scholarship checks should be made payable to Colorado School of Mines and mailed to the Financial Aid Office (1200 16th St., Golden, CO 80401). Please include your CWID (your CWID is `xxxxxxxx`) on the check for timely processing.

Scholarship funds are credited to your account once the check is received. Scholarship funds will be credited half to the fall and half to the spring semesters, unless otherwise designated by the donor. Checks made payable to both the student and the school require the student to endorse the check.

You can check your scholarship status on [Trailhead](#) under Awards (the green section), Additional Resources tab.

Scholarships that have been paid will have “Paid” to the right of the title of the scholarship. To see the official payment go to “Award Overview” which is the tab located to the left of “Resources/Additional Information.”

**Student and Parent Loan Information**

- Information about the loan completion process was mailed via US Post and emailed last month. To receive a federal loan, you (the student) must accept the award on [Trailhead](#) and complete both the online Entrance Counseling and Master Promissory Note (MPN) [here](#).

- Parents/Guardians who would like to borrow a parent PLUS loan need to complete the online PLUS request process [here](#) and complete an online Master Promissory Note (MPN). Parents/Guardians must specify either an amount for the loan or choose “maximum loan amount” for the request to be processed by Mines. We will not choose an amount for you. The maximum amount of the loan is the student’s total cost of attendance minus all other aid. Students can see the maximum amount of the PLUS loan on [Trailhead](#). Once a parent PLUS loan has been approved and certified by Mines, students will see the accepted loan on their award overview in [Trailhead](#).

All available fall semester aid will disburse to your [Trailhead](#) account **three days prior** to the start of fall classes.

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**Honors Math Courses**

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Students interested in mathematics are encouraged to enroll in the Honors track, i.e., Calculus II (MATH122), Calculus III (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 classes 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 Honors math courses are challenging but rewarding.

Upcoming Deadline: A list of students who are interested in enrolling in any of the above courses will be sent to the Registrar's Office during the first week of July. While you can work with your CASA advisor to enroll/unenroll at a later date, it helps avoid scheduling conflicts to indicate interest now.

Click here to indicate interest in this program.

Note: The Honors math courses are run based on student interest. Information about these courses can be found in the interest survey linked above and in this document.

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Center for Academic Services & Advising

Mark your calendars - CASA is hosting informational webinars throughout the month of July. Our webinars provide an opportunity to learn more about the CASA team, our services and tips for the fall semester. We will also reserve plenty of time for you to ask your burning questions.

Our informational webinars will be held on:

- July 11: 12pm
- July 18: 2pm
- July 25: 6pm
- August 1: 10am

All webinars are scheduled for Mountain time and will cover the same content. Choose the webinar that works best with your schedule. Additional information can be found here.
Convocation

Join us at Convocation, the official ceremony welcoming all new students to Mines!

Just like graduation symbolizes the end of a student’s university experience, Convocation marks the beginning of a student’s academic career at Mines. This is an opportunity for you and your family to participate in your first official event as an Oredigger. You will hear from faculty, alumni and fellow students about their Mines experience and learn about the rich traditions of our university. The ceremony is followed by a barbecue where you can connect with faculty, alums and students while enjoying Mines pep band music and snapping a photo or two with our mascots.

When: Thursday, August 16 at 4 p.m.
Where: Lockridge Arena (inside the Student Recreation Center)

Welcome BBQ immediately following (on Kafadar Commons next to the new CoorsTek Center for Applied Science and Engineering).

Bursar Office

eBills
All Mines bills are generated electronically. Fall semester eBills will be available in early August on your My Account page in Trailhead. It’s important to note that your first eBill will not include financial aid or loans, as these funds will apply to your account three days prior to classes starting. Tuition and fees are always due on the first business day after Census Day for the given semester. For the fall semester, 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, the fall semester payment plan is open and you can enroll in it after activating your Trailhead account. 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.

Career Center
Welcome to Mines! We are very excited that you will be part of our family of students and look forward to assisting you this fall. As you prepare to join our campus, we want to update you on resources and services available to you at the Mines Career Center.

On-Campus Jobs & Internships
Watch your Mines email in early August for your personalized access to DiggerNet, the Mines career system that will help you locate and apply for on-campus jobs, general employment in the area, internships, workshop schedule and other great resources to connect you with your career goals. Download the free DiggerNet App for easier access. We also invite you to join us for our exciting company Information Sessions, which are an excellent way for you to learn about different industries and companies. (Pro Tip: there is usually free pizza) As soon as you receive the email, click on the link to activate your DiggerNet account and create your password. Any questions, contact us at 303-273-3233.

Looking for an On-Campus Job?
Attend the Mines Fall 2018 Student Assistant Job and Resource Fair on Tuesday, August 21, from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM in the Student Center Grand Ballroom. Over 20 Mines departments are participating and jobs include: front desk, labs, TAs/graders, events/activities, sports managers, callers, web development and more.

Resume Help & Job Search Workshops
The Career Center offers a series of professional development workshops to help you prepare for Career Day, including getting a head start on resumes, cover letters, interviewing and networking for career success. The Career Advising team has walk-in hours as well as appointments available to help you get off on the right foot during your time here at Mines. To get a head start, The Mines Strategy: Engineering Your Job Search, which has examples of resumes and cover letters for the job search and scholarships, interview guidance and advice, proactive job search, etc.

Mines Career Day
Mark your calendar for Mines Fall 2018 Career Day on Tuesday, September 11, 10:00 AM-2:30 PM. Students can meet and interact with over 250 companies. Optional new student tours are held every half hour. (Pro Tip: look for the cool SWAG...you can easily get a year’s supply of pens, pencils, graph paper, stress balls and more!)

Don't forget to bring an interview outfit with you to Mines!
**Sustainability**

Mines Sustainability is dedicated to promoting sustainable academia, research and operations at Mines. Our website has information about recycling on campus, our new Power Education campaign launching in the fall of 2018, special events and sustainability resources (like where to find publications on green engineering and green labs).

For more information or to volunteer for an event or project, contact the Mines Sustainability Coordinator, Lauren Poole, at poole@mines.edu or visit our website.

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**Greek Life**

The Mines Panhellenic & Interfraternity Council are firmly dedicated to leadership and personal growth. Developing leaders today for life after college is an important pillar of the Greek community because our goal is to help our members become the best version of themselves. Greek chapters give members the opportunity to gain leadership experience through council positions, chapter leadership conferences and skill training seminars.

If you are interested in gaining valuable leadership experience through the Greek Life community, please feel free to talk to our representatives at a LAUNCH event or visit our website.

**Recruitment Registration is LIVE for Sorority Recruitment.**
**Recruitment Schedules are available for Fraternity Recruitment** [here].

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**Campus Dining**

For incoming freshman and involved families, it’s important to stay in the know of Mines dining options. Connect with us via our social media pages, dining app and text message program to view daily menus and be in the know about exciting food happenings on campus.
Social Media Platforms
Facebook: Mines Dining by Sodexo
Instagram: CSM Dining
Twitter: @MinesDining
Dining Website: Minesdining.sodexomyway.com

Mobile App
Free download on the App Store or Google Play
Search “Bite by Sodexo” – Use the access Code: M84U6
Bite lets you know what's on the menu at Mines Market. Bite provides full nutritional information— including calories and allergens and allows you to rate dishes and save favorites.

Text Message Discounts
Save time and money with up-to-date discounts at your favorite campus dining locations.
Text “MinesDining” to 82257

High Grade

High Grade is Mines' annual art and literary journal, 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!

Metamorphosis #2
Clayton Haines

Learn more and download our journal here.
**Music @ Mines**

**Tuesday, August 21:** The first day of choir, band and symphony orchestra. Choir and Orchestra begin at 4:00 PM and Band immediately follows at 5:00 PM. Band practices are held in the Performance Space of the Ford Building, which is across the roundabout from Weaver Towers. The Concert Choir practices twice per week in the classroom space of the Ford Building. Symphony Orchestra practices are held in the Performance Space of the Ford Building.

**Friday, August 26:** Jazz Band and Jazz Lab classes begin at 12 PM and 2:00 PM, respectively, in the Ford Building.

The Concert Choir, Symphony Orchestra and Concert Band will each participate in concerts throughout the semester. Small ensembles will typically perform within the last few weeks of the semester. The Marching Band also play at all of the home football games, which are scheduled as follows:

- September 5
- September 19
- October 3 (Homecoming)
- October 17
- November 7

**Marching Band Reminder**

- If you have Dinkle Black Shoes, bring them.
- For percussionists please bring your sticks and stick bag.
- Remember to have extra reeds, valve oil, etc.

If you qualify for work study and you are interested in working with the Music Department’s library and security, you can contact Professor Maggie Greenwood at the beginning of the semester for more information.

If you have questions regarding any aspect of the Mines Music programs, feel free to contact me at dougherty@mines.edu. I look forward to seeing you soon!
Mary Dougherty
President of Concert Choir

Mines in the News

Mines students tackle future of space exploration at RASC-AL.
(June 15, 2018)

Mines Robotics wins collegiate exoskeleton competition.
(June 6, 2018)

Adam Savage, co-host of Mythbusters, named 2018 Homecoming Distinguished Lecture.
(June 14, 2018)

Check out the Mines Newsroom for more news.

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.