New Student Orientation Video Script

Orientation Leader

Howdy, my name is Elijah Garcia and I'll be your new Student Orientation leader.

Thank you so much for joining us on your new Student Orientation. We're all super excited to have you as part of our Bulldog family. We're gonna start our video with a welcome from our District President Dr. Kevin Fegan.

Welcome from District President

Hello, I am Kevin Fegan the District President for Navarro College. On behalf of the Navarro College Board of Trustees, our outstanding faculty, and staff throughout our entire Navarro College District, and most importantly our Navarro College alumni and students, we collectively welcome you to our Bulldog Family.

As the District President for Navarro college, my primary responsibility is to ensure the pursuit and achievement of our vision and purpose. Our vision at Navarro College is to be a nationally recognized higher education institution, and we pursue that vision by delivering innovative career pathways that are focused on student-centered learning opportunities.

There is two primary purposes for this orientation, the first is to prepare you academically for your educational journey and ensure that you understand the mechanics of the academic process, pre-registering, pre-requisites, advising, tutoring, and testing for example. The other primary purpose is to make you aware of the intentional initiatives through our Student Services programs, that can prepare you for your personal and career success.

Finally, for almost 75 years, Navarro College has been empowering individuals to change their life by preparing for a career. As you complete this orientation program and begin your educational journey with Navarro College, the same opportunity will be afforded to you to empower yourself to change your life by preparing for a career. Again, on behalf of the entire Bulldog Family, we welcome you and we wish you a great deal of Bulldog pride as you begin your educational journey with Navarro College.

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Now I'm back, I'm going teach you a very important student tradition here on campus. My buddy Jerry is going to help me teach you how to "Throw the Beau".

Jerry

And this is how you throw up the Beau. Put your right hand out in front, placing your thumb in between your two fingers, lift up your pointer finger, and your pinky finger and there you go.

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The first year is the most important year for all college students. In order to be successful, it's very important that you familiarize yourself with all the resources available to you as an NC student.

Weblinks to the various resources and departments are provided on our New Student Orientation website. Please make sure that you fully understand the material that will be covered as there will be a quiz at the end. Students who complete the orientation and successfully pass the quiz will be entered into a drawing for various prizes.

Navarro College will get you ready for your next step, whether that next step is to transfer to a university or to enter into the workforce-Your Success Starts at Navarro College!

Your transition into college will be simple, but first, you must learn about Navarro College's policies, online tools, and resources to guarantee your success.

Finally, check your EMAIL! It is important that you check your email every day as it serves as a source of contact with Navarro College.

Now, let me tell you about MyNC portal!

MyNC is the central resource and gateway to a variety of self-service tools for all Navarro College students. Here you'll access your classes, view your grades, find important news, and so much more.

To login in to your MyNC account:

You can access MyNC directly at mync.navarrocollege.edu or by clicking on the MyNC link on the Navarro College Website.

Your MyNC login username is your firstname.lastname, all lowercase. For example, jane.doe, again all lower case.

Your default password will be capital "N" lowercase "c" your 4-digit birth year, "YYYY", the last 4 of your social SSSS and exclamation point "!".

For example, if you were born in 1980 and the last 4 digits of your Social Security Number is 1234

Your password would be Nc19801234!.

Once you successfully logged into MyNC, then you will be able to see the "Campus Applications" section that contains several links to different resources. Such as "Canvas", where you will complete training for Title IX, Alcohol, and Other Drug Prevention, and mental health. You can also access your email by selecting the "Email - Office365". Your MyNC login username and password will be the same login username and password to access your NC email.

It is recommended that you download the Microsoft Outlook app onto your phone. That way you can instantly receive email notifications straight to your cell phone.

Now let's take a look at some student expectations.

As a college student, this is one of the most important things you must learn, as no one is going to force you to attend class or to do your assignments. You will be faced with many distractions that will eat up your time, but it is your responsibility to prioritize your time. Just keep in mind that all successful people know how to manage their time well.

You are expected to attend every class.

Excessive absenteeism is equivalent being dropped from the class.

As a Navarro College student, it is expected of you to attend class on time and actively engage in the learning process. By actively engaging, we mean you're paying attention, asking questions, and taking notes.

Second, be prepared for class. Show-up with your paper, textbooks, pens, pencils, and highlighter in order to be successful.

Third, check your syllabus and make sure that you understand all of your professors' expectations.

Finally, CHECK your email.

Navarro College has many resources available to you as a student for your academic success. Take a look at some of the resources we listed here.

Each resource is designed to provide guidance, academic, social, and financial support to all our students. For further details please visit each of these resources by the weblinks provided on our NSO website or plan a trip to these departments. You are not in this alone, we are here to help you be a successful bulldog!

A College and Career Success Coach can assist you with much more than registering for classes.

The College and Career Success Coaches are here to help you with academic planning, career exploration, referral to resources, and much more.

The Financial Aid Department can help you work through the financial assistance offerings and help get your college experience underway. If you have any questions about scholarships, loans, grants, or work study, this office has all answers to your questions.

Students can complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid at StudentAid.gov

You will need to review your offer and accept it.

Your aid will go directly to your student account first, then you will receive the rest for other college expenses.

Finally, you must understand the Satisfactory Academic Progress requirement. NC is on a 4-point grading system and understanding your grade point average is very simple.

You are required to complete 67% of all classes attempted and maintain a 2.0 GPA or higher in order to remain in good standing with Financial Aid. Students are also required to take only courses on the degree plan they are following. Once you have attempted 150% or more of your degree plan, you will no longer be eligible to receive financial aid.

So, here is how you determine your GPA.

4.0 is an A, a 3.0 is a B, a 2.0 is a C, a 1.0 is a D, and of course a 0.0 is an F

During your time at Navarro College, you will have the opportunity to get involved.

The Navarro College Office of Student life holds fun events that will allow you to get to know your classmates. You will have the opportunity to participate in over 30 clubs and organizations. Activities and clubs are available on all Navarro College Campuses, including our online community.

The Navarro College Department of Public Safety is a service-oriented organization that responds to the needs of our community.

All Navarro College Police Officers are professionally trained to serve and protect our Navarro College community.

Various services are offered to the students by the police officers such as Campus Escorts, Vehicle Jumpstarts, Vehicle unlocks, and assistance with lost & found items.

The Navarro College police officers are visible in vehicular, bicycle, and even foot patrol 365 days of the year and are available 24/7 to assist students.

The Navarro College Police will enforce all laws, as well as Navarro College's rules, regulations, and policies.

The Watchdog Alert is Navarro College's emergency notification system. You will be alerted via text message, email, and by phone call in the event of an emergency or a known threat to the safety and security of the campus community. All students are enrolled in the Watchdog Alert System.

While I just discussed the ways we can provide alerts, warnings, and ensure a safe campus, we also provide resources to support your wellbeing.

All Navarro College students can take advantage of FREE, confidential, and short-term counseling. Remember that you are not alone and our Counseling Center can assist you.

The counseling sessions help you with stress management, adjustment, relationship & family conflicts, addiction, and much more. You can request an appointment by calling the counseling Center at 903-875-7393 or requesting an appointment online.

The goal of the Disability Services Office (NCDSO) is to provide reasonable accommodations and facilitate equal access to all services and programs at Navarro College. Additionally, the Disability Office works to increase disability awareness, advocate for students with disabilities,

provide training to faculty, staff, and administrators, and make sure that all federal laws are being followed.

To request academic accommodations, students must complete the online application to request services. You are required to submit the appropriate documentation completed by a qualified professional that substantiates the disability and specifies how the disability impacts your learning. An intake Interview via phone or in-person will to be completed as well.

Keep in mind that accommodations are not automatic. Receiving accommodations in high school does not guarantee that you will receive accommodations in college.

The Residence Life Department oversees the residence halls here at the Corsicana Campus.

If you are interested in living here in one of the residence halls, please apply online.

As a housing student, you are expected to sign a housing contract, be enrolled in 15 credit hours, read the Housing Handbook, and to check your Navarro College email regularly.

Now we need to make sure that you understand the expectations related to Student Conduct.

Navarro College is a drug- and alcohol-free campus. Possession, sale and/or use of any type of illegal drugs, alcohol, or mood-enhancing substance by any person on any property owned, leased, or controlled by Navarro College is strictly forbidden.

Navarro College expects the behavior of its students, at all times and in all settings, to be guided by the same standards that define acceptable forms of student conduct. To this end, any student enrolled in Navarro College who is found in violation of the Code of Student Conduct or state or federal laws, even in an off-campus setting, is subject to administrative disciplinary procedures that could result in one or a combination of several disciplinary sanctions as listed in the Student Handbook.

We advise you to review the Navarro College Student Handbook for all the rules and policies.

Title IX is a comprehensive federal law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any federally funded education program or activity. Our policy provide protection against sexual harassment which include sexual violence, and protection against gender-based discrimination or harassment.

Navarro College is committed to providing a higher education environment that is free from sexual discrimination.

If you need to report discrimination based on gender, there are many ways to make a report.

Call 903.875.7375, email the student services email at <u>student.services@navarrocollege.edu</u>, or online by submitting a student complaint at <u>www.navarrocollege.edu/support-</u><u>services/grievance/form/</u>.

Remember all NC students will have to complete the required trainings for Safe Colleges such as Title IX, Alcohol and Other Drug prevention, and mental health. This information will also be

sent to your NC email, so make sure you are **check it every single day like we were talking about it earlier.**

Once you finish with this video, you will be able to find a link to take the quiz on the New Student Orientation website. In order to be entered into the drawing, you must complete the quiz with a passing grade.

Good luck on the drawing and I will be passing it off to Jerry now.

Jerry

Thank you for attending the Navarro College New Student Orientation, I hope you have learned a lot and I can not wait to see you become a successful Bulldog. See you around campus and take care.