Connect with Kent State University.
Congratulations on your admission to Kent State University as a new freshman! You’ve chosen Kent State, and we’re thrilled about that. Welcome to the Kent State community — you’re the newest Golden Flash.

You’re about to become part of a long and rich history of academic excellence. For more than 100 years, Kent State has provided outstanding educational opportunities for students, vital resources to Ohio and beyond, and produced graduates and research that have literally changed the world.

Kent State is more than a place for dreams, wishes and aspirations. It’s a place for having fresh ideas and finding the support and encouragement to make them real.

Pictured left: President Beverly Warren poses with a group of students on the Kent Campus.
Begin Your Journey.

Take Action.

Enroll at Kent State and join the more than 227,000 Kent State alumni around the world who are making a difference every day.

Take the next steps in the enrollment process. Review the details and information contained in this packet that you will need in the coming months. Please contact your admissions counselor at 1-800-988-5368 at any time if you need further information or have questions.

So once again, congratulations! Did we mention we can’t wait to see you on campus?
Review the list below and read Pages 4-9 for more details.

✓ Review your admission letter and notify the Admissions Office 1-800-988-5368 of any corrections or changes to your address, phone number, residency or intended major.

✓ Log in to FlashLine at www.kent.edu, answer the security questions and reset your password. Review the Checklist on the New@KSU tab in FlashLine. Check back often for updates. If you are 21 or older, or a veteran, refer to the Center for Adult and Veteran Services section on Page 9.

Pay the $150 enrollment fee to reserve your place in the freshman class.* The deadline to pay the enrollment fee is May 1, 2016. Enrollment fees will be accepted after May 1 on a space-available basis only.

✓ Apply for financial aid beginning Jan. 1, 2016, and complete a scholarship search. Go online to www.kent.edu/financialaid for more information.

✓ Apply for on-campus housing beginning Feb. 1, 2016, at www.kent.edu/housing or submit the mandatory housing exemption form.*

✓ Schedule a campus visit or attend one of our admitted student programs in the spring. Go online to www.kent.edu/visit for details.

✓ Schedule your Destination Kent State (DKS): Advising and Registration appointment at www.kent.edu/destination beginning in March 2016.*

✓ Complete placement assessments online beginning March 1 and at least 72 hours before attending Destination Kent State.

✓ Review your academic program information and requirements at www.kent.edu/gps.

✓ Submit your final high school transcript, AP/IB scores and college transcripts for any college courses completed during high school and immunization information.*

✓ Review payment options at www.kent.edu/bursar.

✓ Review parking information and purchase a parking permit at www.kent.edu/parking.


*See Page 6-7 for details.
1. Review Your Admission Letter

Review the information on your admission letter carefully and notify the Admissions Office at 1-800-988-5368 with any corrections including change of address, phone number, residency or change of major. Keep both this publication and your acceptance letter for future reference. You will need to refer to both in the coming months.

2. Log in to FlashLine

FlashLine is Kent State’s secure online portal and is the gateway to world-class Intranet services. To log in for the first time, please go online to www.kent.edu, click on FlashLine Login on the top and then click on Get User Name and Login Help. Select the first article that begins I’m new to Kent State for information on determining your default password, answering security questions, providing an alternate email address and setting up your new password. If you need login assistance, please contact the Help Desk at 330-672-4357 or go online to support.kent.edu.

I am new to Kent State and have never logged in before. What is my default password, and how do I get it?

Enter your user name. This is the first part of your email address (ex. “janedoe@kent.edu” is “janedoe”). Refer to your admission letter for your Kent State email address and your user name. New students are given a temporary password when their account is created. Enter your temporary password. The format of the password is: mmmyyxxxxx

Where:

- mmm = first three letters of the birth month
- yy = last two digits of the birth year
- x xxxx = last five digits of the Kent State Identification Number (see admission letter)

Once you have successfully logged in with this temporary password, you will be prompted to select a new password. You are also asked to provide an alternate email address and to answer challenge questions which you can use to reset your password in the event that it is forgotten.

3. Set up Your KSUview Account

KSUview is an easy and safe way to share your student information such as financial aid, personal information (address, phone and email), registration (status and schedule) and your student account (detail, summary, tax notification and holds). If you would like to give your parents or guardian access to your information, complete these steps:

- Log in to FlashLine and select the Student Tools and Courses tab. You’ll find KSUview in the Submit Requests box.
- Choose Add Designee and fill in the fields for First Name, Last Name and Email Address for the person you’re giving access to; click Add Designee.
- Click on Expand (designee name). In the Profile tab, complete the information requested for your designee. On the Authorization tab, select the items you’d like your designee to view online.

4. Pay Your Enrollment Fee

Confirm your place in the freshman class by paying your enrollment fee. The enrollment fee is $150 and is a one-time fee, which covers the cost of new student orientation activities, for incoming freshmen at the Kent Campus. The deadline to submit the enrollment fee is May 1, 2016. Enrollment fees will be accepted after May 1 on a space-available basis only.

To pay the enrollment fee online, log in to FlashLine following the instructions above and click on the New@KSU tab. Click on the Next Steps: Checklist for Kent Campus Freshmen and follow the instructions for Pay Enrollment Fee. Parents can also pay the enrollment fee through KSUview.

If you prefer, you may mail in a $150 check payable to Kent State University Admissions Office in the envelope provided with this booklet. Please write your Kent State identification number in the memo line of the check to ensure that the payment is credited to the correct student account. Phone payments will not be accepted.

The enrollment fee is refundable until May 1, 2016, for students who decide to enroll at another college and request a refund in writing to Enrollment Fee Refund, Admissions Office, Kent State University, P.O. Box 5190, Kent, OH 44242-0001. No refunds of the enrollment fee will be made after May 1, 2016. If you would like your parent or guardian to pay your enrollment fee, please make sure you authorize them to do so when you set up your KSUview account.
5. **Apply for Financial Aid and Complete a Scholarship Search**

All students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.gov as soon as possible after Jan. 1. Completing the FAFSA application will determine the student’s eligibility for federal and state aid which includes grants and loans. Kent State’s Title IV School Code is 003051. Review the financial aid checklist on Page 8.

Attend a Kent State Financial Aid Workshop or check with your school counselor about a financial aid workshop in your area. Go online to Kent State’s Student Financial Aid Office website at www.kent.edu/financialaid/workshop to register for one of the following financial aid workshops and for comprehensive financial aid information. Registration will begin 30 minutes prior to the workshop start time.

**On-Campus Financial Aid Workshops**
- Saturday, Jan. 23, 2016, Cartwright Hall, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 30, 2016, Cartwright Hall, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Off-Campus Financial Aid Workshops** - Registration begins at 6 p.m. and the programs are from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- CINCINNATI, OHIO – Tuesday, Feb. 2, 2016, Hilton Garden Inn, 9306 Schulze Dr., West Chester
- TOLEDO, OHIO – Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016, Hilton Garden Inn, 6165 Levis Common Boulevard, Perrysburg
- COLUMBUS, OHIO – Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016, Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus
- PITTSBURGH, PA – Thursday, Feb. 4, 2016, The Chadwick, 10545 Perry Highway, One Wexford Square, Wexford

Financial aid packages will be mailed on a rolling basis beginning mid-March. Go online to www.kent.edu/financialaid to use our scholarship search qualifier to find out more information on Kent State scholarships. You can also find information on how to do an external scholarship search.

Confidential financial aid counseling is available at the Student Financial Aid Office. Call 330-672-2972 to schedule an appointment.

6. **Attend an Admitted Student Program on Campus**

We offer a number of admitted student programs, known as Golden Flash Days, on the Kent Campus in the spring. The programs provide you and your parents the opportunity to visit campus and gain in-depth information about academics, financial aid, residence services and student life. You can select from both day and evening programs. Choose one program that best fits your schedule. Reservations are required. Watch your mail and email for your invitation. These programs are informational in nature and are not mandatory.

**Golden Flash Days — 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**
- Feb. 19, March 4 and 16 and April 1, 2016
  Open to majors in the colleges of Applied Engineering, Sustainability and Technology; Arts and Sciences; Digital Sciences; Education, Health and Human Services; Public Health; and Undergraduate Studies (Undecided/Exploratory)
- Feb. 26, March 11, April 6 and 15, 2016
  Open to majors in the colleges of Architecture and Environmental Design; the Arts; Business Administration; Communication and Information; Nursing

**Golden Flash Night — 7-8:30 p.m.**
- April 19, 2016 — Open to all majors
7. Complete the Online Housing Application or Submit the Mandatory Housing Exemption Form

Go online to www.kent.edu/housing to review Kent State’s outstanding on-campus housing options. Be sure to click on the Learning Communities tab for information on Kent State’s many academic partnerships and initiatives.

The online housing application will be available beginning Feb. 1, 2016. Housing assignments are made based on the date of the submitted application. The $40 housing application fee is a one-time, nonrefundable fee to apply for on-campus housing. The $200 housing pre-payment will be applied as a credit to the fall bill. It is refundable if a request is made in writing to Residence Services by May 1, 2016. No refunds will be made after May 1. Housing assignments will be communicated to students via email in early July 2016.

For any student who will be under the age of 18 when submitting the housing contract, approval of your parent or guardian is required. To grant approval prior to applying, please visit FlashLine and access the tab for KSUview. Once parental or guardian approval is on file, the housing application may be completed.

All incoming freshmen are required to live on campus for their first two years. Incoming freshmen who live within a 50-mile radius of the Kent Campus may choose to commute from the permanent address of their parents or legal guardian. Students who choose this option must submit the Mandatory Housing Exemption form, which is available on the Residence Services website. Incoming freshmen who do not have an exemption are required to live on campus.

Kent State also offers a number of outstanding dining options. For more information, go online to www.kent.edu/dining or call 330-672-2541.

8. Schedule for Destination Kent State Advising and Registration

Destination Kent State is a required three-step orientation program designed to help you transition to Kent State and achieve success. The first step is Destination Kent State: Advising and Registration. All new students will attend the program in June or July to register for fall classes. During the overnight visit, you will stay in the residence halls, meet other incoming students, meet with an academic advisor to create your fall class schedule, get your Kent State ID and much more.

Invitations to register for this program will be mailed to your home beginning in March. Once you receive your invitation go online to www.kent.edu/destination for additional information and to register. Your enrollment fee helps to cover the cost of this program, so there are no additional fees for students to attend.

Family members are invited and encouraged to attend Destination Kent State: Advising and Registration with their student. They will have the opportunity to learn more about financial aid and payment options, living on or commuting to campus, as well as how to help their student make a successful transition to college life. Family members attending the program will pay a program fee of $40 per person (estimated). Family members who choose to spend the night will be housed in a residence hall separate from their student at a cost of $24 per person (estimated). Families driving long distances can choose to spend an additional night in the residence hall prior to their visit, at a cost of $24 per person (estimated). Payment of fees is required at the time of registration for the program. Fees are subject to change.

9. Complete Placement Assessments Online Before Attending Destination Kent State

All new students must complete placement assessments at least 72 hours BEFORE attending Destination Kent State. They will be available online through FlashLine beginning March 1. During Destination Kent State, you will meet with your academic advisor to discuss placement assessment results and schedule for fall classes. For more information about placement assessments, visit the Destination Kent State website at www.kent.edu/destination.
10. **Submit Final Transcripts**
All incoming freshmen from high school must submit a final high school transcript with proof of graduation. Please notify your guidance office that you plan to attend Kent State University and request that a final transcript be sent to
the following address. Students who have completed any college credits while in high school should request that official college transcripts be sent to the following address as well. Please also request official score reports for AP/IB tests.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY
PO BOX 5190
KENT OH 44242-0001

11. **Submit Immunization Documentation**
All students born after Jan. 1, 1957, must show proof of two MMRs (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) in a lifetime or one in the last six years. Students from the following areas are required to have a tuberculosis screening test (TB/PPD/Mantoux) in the last 12 months: Africa, Asia, the Caribbean Islands, Central and South America, Eastern Europe, Mexico and Russia.

Go online to www.kent.edu/uhs for further information and to download the Proof of Immunizations form.

12. **Review Payment Options**
Kent State University offers a variety of payment plans and options. Go online to www.kent.edu/bursar to review the various payment options, access payment due dates and to make an online payment. You can also access step-by-step student account access information on the Bursar’s website that may assist you in navigating the various aspects of your student account through FlashLine, including instruction on how to access a copy of your invoice.

13. **Purchase a Parking Permit**
Students who bring cars to campus or who are commuters must purchase a parking permit. Parking permits are available for purchase online only. Go online to www.kent.edu/parking to review parking options and purchase details.

14. **Take a well-deserved study break.**

**FEE SUMMARY**

The $150 enrollment fee is a required one-time fee for Kent Campus freshmen and covers the cost of new student orientation activities including the Destination Kent State program. It is refundable for students who decide to enroll at another college and if a request is made in writing to the Admissions Office by May 1, 2016.

The $40 housing application fee is a one-time nonrefundable charge to apply for on-campus housing. The $200 housing pre-payment fee will be applied to the fall invoice. It is refundable if a request is made in writing to Residence Services by June 1, 2016.

Family members attending the Destination Kent State program will pay an estimated $40 fee per person to cover the cost of materials and meals. Family members staying in the residence halls for the Destination Kent State program will pay an estimated $24 housing fee per person. Both fees are due at the time of registration for the Destination Kent State program. Fees are subject to change.
Student Financial Aid Checklist.

September - December

- Apply for admission to Kent State University at www.kent.edu/admissions.
- Begin a comprehensive scholarship search at www.kent.edu/financialaid/scholarships.
- Visit the Student Financial Aid website: www.kent.edu/financialaid.
- Consider the cost to attend Kent State University:
  - Tuition: www.kent.edu/bursar
  - On-campus Housing: www.kent.edu/housing
  - Meal Plans: www.kent.edu/dining

January - March

- Submit admissions application and all academic credentials to Kent State University by Jan. 15 for scholarship consideration.
- Consider attending a financial aid workshop. Go online to www.kent.edu/financialaid/workshop for information and details on Kent State’s workshops.
- Review your Student Aid Report (SAR) on the FAFSA website. If necessary, make corrections to your FAFSA.
- If you will enroll at Kent State University in the summer and would like to use your financial aid, complete the Summer Aid Request Form at www.kent.edu/financialaid/summer.

April - May

- If borrowing federal student loans:
  - Students must accept, decline or reduce federal loans via FlashLine.
  - First-time borrowers: Sign the Master Promissory Note and complete Entrance Loan Counseling at www.studentloans.gov.
  - To apply for the Federal Direct Parent PLUS Loan, your parent must apply at www.studentloans.gov.
  - View information about direct loan interest rates and repayment of federal loans at www.studentaid.gov/types/loans.
- If borrowing a private/alternative student loan, compare lender options at www.kent.edu/financialaid/fastchoice.
- If awarded institutional scholarships, accept award on FlashLine.

June - August

- View payment due dates at www.kent.edu/bursar.
- Check your Kent State University email account (beginning in July) for email notification regarding your invoice availability.
- Consider Payment Options at www.kent.edu/bursar/payment-options-overview.
- Consider creating a parent/guardian authorization with the Bursar’s Office. Visit www.kent.edu/bursar for more information.
- Review excess financial aid refund information at www.kent.edu/bursar/refunds.
Center for Adult and Veteran Services (CAVS).

If you are a freshman student 21 or older, have full-time work or family responsibilities, are a member of the armed forces or are a veteran, we encourage you to contact the Center for Adult and Veteran Services for more information on its programs and services. Call 330-672-7933 for an appointment or go online to www.kent.edu/cavs/index.cfm.

Stop by the Center for Adult and Veteran Services office in 181 Schwartz Center to see the quiet study spaces, small computer lab, tutoring schedule and advisors. The center is a one-stop shop for veterans who wish to process their VA benefits and other veteran-related services.

If you prefer getting ready for college success in the company of other adult students and/or veterans with personal and professional experiences and responsibilities, the center offers an alternative to the First-Year Experience course for freshmen called the Adult Student Orientation course (US 10002).

Be sure to watch for our letters and emails in the coming weeks. We offer a unique Destination Kent State: Advising and Registration program for adult students and veterans who need special accommodations due to family/work schedules or who need computer access for placement testing.

It’s OK to Call.
You’ll find plenty of people to contact about your major at each college’s website, but here are a few numbers that might come in handy as you’re getting to know Kent State.

ADMISSIONS
800-988-KENT
www.kent.edu/admissions

BURSAR’S OFFICE
330-672-2626
www.kent.edu/bursar

CAMPUS OPERATOR
330-672-3000
www.kent.edu/phonedirectory

CAREER SERVICES CENTER
330-672-2360
www.kent.edu/career

CENTER FOR ADULT AND VETERAN SERVICES
330-672-7933
www.kent.edu/cavs

CENTER FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT
330-672-2480
www.kent.edu/csi

HONORS COLLEGE
330-672-2312
www.kent.edu/honors

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
330-672-5974
www.kentstatesports.com

RESIDENCE SERVICES
800-706-8941
www.kent.edu/housing

STUDENT ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES
330-672-3391
www.kent.edu/sas

STUDENT FINANCIAL AID
330-672-2972
www.kent.edu/financialaid

STUDENT MULTICULTURAL CENTER
330-672-3560
www.kent.edu/smc

STUDENT SUCCESS PROGRAMS (DESTINATION KENT STATE)
330-672-9292
www.kent.edu/success

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES
330-672-2322
www.kent.edu/uhs
I’M THE NEWEST GOLDEN FLASH!

Take a selfie with Flash and post it on Instagram or Twitter! Be sure to mention @KentState and include #KentState2020 in your posts.