Thank you to everyone who joined us for the NSE Workshops over the past two weeks. It was a great time to connect and learn from our colleagues in the NSE community before the fall semester begins. If you were not able to join us for the workshop, please stop by Sid Richardson 172 (Brenda Higginbotham’s office, 710-3829) to pick up your workshop materials and your handouts for your NSE students (bookmarks, highlighters, etc) by Friday, August 19.

Here are a few updates as you are in the final stretch of preparing for the fall semester. Please call or email with any questions or concerns before the fall semester begins.

Thank you for your investment in our new Baylor students!

Michelle Cohenour
Assistant Director of Student Success

Academic Convocation

Please join your students on Friday, August 19 (10 am) at Academic Convocation in the Ferrell Center. The experiences of Convocation and Graduation are bookends to our students’ collegiate experiences. This year’s faculty address will be given by Dr. Mia Moody-Ramirez from the Department of Journalism, Public Relations and New Media. We encourage NSE instructors to engage their students with the themes her address introduces. She will challenge students to be purposeful, be consistent, and be courageous.

Connecting early with your students: If you haven’t already, please introduce yourself to your NSE student through email. You can find your student’s email by accessing Class Roll. Please note, some classroom locations have changed, so please review the information in Class Roll for updated locations.

Getting ready for your classes:

- Suggested Syllabus Statements for Undergraduate Students (2016-17) can be located here.
- You can find NSE Sample Syllabi on the NSE webpage - sample syllabi.

Welcome Week—the New Student Programs team has been working diligently on an interactive and engaging Welcome Week line up! In addition to Academic Convocation, check out the full schedule of Welcome Week events at https://www.baylor.edu/welcomeweek You are welcome to participate in any of the Welcome Week events.

Here are a few events that the NSP team highlighted during our NSE Workshops:

Thursday, August 18

6:30 PM - Festival at the Fountain (Location: 5th Street and Rosenbalm Fountain). Rain: On-Campus Residence Halls. Join in with the entire Baylor family for a celebration on 5th Street! Various desserts will be served from local Waco vendors.

Friday, August 19

Afternoon - Academic Events & Open Houses. Location: Various Locations. Spend the afternoon engaging with your academic area. See attachment for full schedule of Academic Events & Open Houses.

Sunday, August 21

7:00 PM - Welcome Week Worship Service. Location: Ferrell Center. A special night of all-campus worship and reflection.
Monday, August 22

7:00pm (Doors open at 6:15pm) - It's On Us, BU New Student Seminar. Location: Ferrell Center. Required seminar for all new students.

During the NSE workshop we learned more about the Class of 2020—check out the full workshop presentation (attached) for the specific details on the incoming class!

The link to the NSE website is http://www.baylor.edu/nse.