Zoom links for all sessions will be available via the schedule posted on our website by Thursday, August 20. This schedule is subject to change; please frequent our website for the most accurate schedule of events:
https://firstyear.mit.edu/first-year-advising-programs/orientation/parent-information

Visit http://studentlife.mit.edu/rl/events/orsei-parent-orientation for a comprehensive list of all the Office of Religious, Spiritual, and Ethical Life Parent Orientation events, including a “Meet the Chaplains” event on Sunday, August 23 and various services.

Friday, August 21

Student Support Resources for a Mostly Remote Fall Semester, 10-11am EDT
Join staff from Residential Education and Student Support and Wellbeing in the Division of Student Life to learn about ways for students to access personal and academic support resources and strategies to stay well during their first year at MIT.
RSVP here - Zoom link will be shared with pre-registered participants only.

Introduction to your MIT Federal Credit Union Banking Benefit, 11am-12pm EDT
Join the MIT FCU information session to learn more about the credit union that is a part of MIT! We’re your answer for “all things financial” including checking, loans, and financial education opportunities. We’ve got answers to your questions and solutions for your financial needs!”
Parents of Varsity Student-Athletes, 1-1:45pm EDT
Join Dr. G. Anthony Grant, MIT Director of Athletics/DAPER Department Head, to hear more details about our varsity athletics program, which includes 29 Division III programs and four Division I rowing programs. Participants can learn about the student-athlete experience and ask questions.

All About UROP, 2-3pm EDT
UROP staff provide an overview on all things UROP, followed by Q&A

MIT Medical Q&A, 3-4pm EDT
Join staff from MIT Medical to learn more about health care, insurance, and support resources available for MIT students.

Parent Virtual Lounge, 5-6pm EDT
Current MIT parents will be on hand to share their experiences, provide insights on how to best support your child and answer your questions. Sponsored by the MIT Parents Association.

FGLI Student, Alumni and Current Parent Panel, 7-8pm EDT
A panel of first-generation and/or low income students, alumni, and current MIT parents will be on hand to share their experiences and answer your questions. Learn about opportunities within the MIT FGLI community, hear stories from current students/alumni, and connect with other incoming parents. Sponsored by the MIT Parents Association.

OME Parent/Student Orientation, 8pm-9pm EDT
This year, due to COVID-19, the Office of Minority Education will offer its annual OME Parent/Student Orientation virtually. This exciting information session is designed to give parents, and incoming students, a broad introduction to the many programs and services offered by the OME team. OME team members will also discuss how they will support students throughout the fall term in a virtual environment. At the end of the session, the OME team will respond to questions and offer their insights on the overall MIT student experience. The OME is all about community. In fact, it is affectionately called hOME by many current MIT students. Community will be even more important this fall. Please join us and learn more about what we have planned. We look forward to connecting with all of you!
Saturday, August 22

Meet the Greeks: Interfraternity Council (IFC) Parents Panel, 11am-12pm EDT
The Interfraternity Council (IFC) represents 27 male, female, and co-ed fraternities on campus. Our houses are located throughout the Boston, Cambridge, and Brookline communities. Fraternity life is very unique at MIT, and 50% of all undergraduate men at MIT are members of an IFC chapter. We’ll be hosting a Parent Panel to give an overview of fraternity life at MIT and answer any questions. If you have any questions, feel free to email ifc-exec@mit.edu.

Ten Tips for Parents during COVID-19, 12-12:30pm EDT
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Student Financial Services (SFS) Q&A, 12:30pm-1:30pm EDT
This session provides the opportunity for attendees to ask questions about financial aid and billing topics, and will include a general SFS overview. The Q&A will be hosted by Gary Ryan, Senior Associate Director of Financial Aid, and Brittni Bragg, Associate Director of Customer Service.
*For privacy purposes, staff will be unable to answer account specific questions.

First Year Academics, 1:30-2:30 EDT
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**Meet the Chaplains: Introducing Religious, Spiritual and Ethical Life at MIT, 4-5pm EDT**
What makes the difference between surviving and thriving at MIT? Often it’s a combination of rich and supportive relationships, a sense of meaning and purpose, and proactive self-care. These are all specialties of MIT’s Office of Religious, Spiritual and Ethical Life (ORSEL). Our mission is to care for and empower students holistically as they seek to find integration and balance in their academic, social, emotional, physical and spiritual well-being. With over two dozen chaplains representing many of the world’s religious, spiritual and ethical traditions, and more than 25 different student communities, we are here for ALL students—religious, secular or anywhere in between. For new students joining MIT virtually this Fall, our office offers individual counseling, workshops, and gatherings to support their growth and help build a sense of community. Drop by our virtual open house to meet some of the MIT chaplains and learn more about how ORSEL can support your child in thriving at MIT.