Westmont College Preview STEM Day
Schedule of Events

Please note: The following schedule is tentative and subject to change.

Thursday
This event takes place all day on Friday and includes activities on Saturday morning. Students traveling a great distance without parents are allowed to stay both Thursday and Friday nights in the dorms, but they must make these arrangements in advance of the event. Those staying both nights should check in with the Office of Admissions in Kerrwood Hall between 4:30 pm & 5:30 pm on Thursday.

Friday

7:45 am  **Registration**
Arrive on campus between 7:45 and 8:15 am to check in.

8:15 am  **Welcome, and Meet the President**
Westmont president, Dr. Gayle Beebe, will share his thoughts on the value of a Christian liberal arts education. Hear from the Admissions Office about the application process at Westmont and from Professor of Biology, Eileen McMahon McQuade, who will highlight the strengths of our science programs.

9:20 am  **Campus Tour**
Take a walking tour of campus led by student tour guides. Learn more about the history of Westmont and find important locations for the events and sessions happening later today.

10:30 am  **Chapel**
Join the Westmont community for a time of worship together. All are welcome to attend.

11:30 am  **Lunch**
Enjoy lunch in the Dining Commons. Student lunch is covered in the registration fee; parents are welcome to pay by cash $9.00 at registration or $10.50 at the door.

12:45 pm  **Class/Financial Aid**
While students attend a class, parents will have the opportunity to learn more about FAFSA, Westmont’s generous financial aid, scholarships, and more.

2:00 pm  **Faculty Insight Panel**
This dynamic faculty panel will discuss the importance of studying math & science in the context of the Liberal Arts. They will also answer questions posed by students and parents.

3:30 pm  **Celebration of Summer Research**
Hear from current students in the various STEM fields about their recent research projects with Westmont professors. Faculty will also show off the laboratory facilities, giving demonstrations with their latest gadgets and highlighting their experimental discoveries.
5:00pm  **Tea with the President & Mrs. Beebe**
The President and First Lady look forward to meeting you at an event specifically for parents. They are parents of a Westmont graduate and a current Westmont student. They are happy to share their experience with you and to hear from you about your student and his or her journey.

5:30 pm  **Students meet overnight hosts**
We say goodbye to parents for the evening, and students go to dinner with their Westmont hosts. Parents may join us again at 9:15am for the alumni panel.

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**Friday Evening Activities**

8:00 pm  **Telescope viewing**
Westmont’s Keck Telescope is one of the most powerful on California's Central Coast. Faculty and current students will lead us through an exploration of the night sky.

9:00 pm  **Evening activity planned by current students**

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**Saturday Morning Activities**

8:30 am  **Breakfast for Students**
Students will have breakfast and a devotional in Founders Room

9:15 am  **Alumni Panel (parents welcome)**
Hear from Westmont grads in the STEM fields regarding their experiences at Westmont and how Westmont prepared them for their chosen careers.

10:15 am  **Science and Math Adventures in Santa Barbara (students only)**
Faculty will lead a variety of excursions/programs on and off campus. Students will sign up for these at registration on Friday morning. There will be an additional charge for any offering that includes admission or equipment rental.

10:45 am  **The Westmont Experience: how we support and challenge students**
Parents have an opportunity to interact with Westmont staff and parents of current students in a discussion focused on the intentional ways the College comes along side students to challenge, encourage, and support them in their growth toward adulthood.

12:30 pm  **Students Return to Campus**
The event concludes and parents pick-up their students.