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For Immediate Release:

EIU INVITES POTENTIAL STUDENTS/FAMILIES TO OPEN HOUSES

CHARLESTON – Eastern Illinois University is putting its best foot forward to showcase the campus to potential students during two separate open houses set to take place in coming months.

High school students, along with transfer students, are encouraged to attend an Eastern open house on either Saturday, April 21, or Friday, July 20. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. each day in the university's University Ballroom, located in the University Union.

No reservations are necessary and parking is available in any student or staff lot.

Traditionally, several hundred students, along with their families, attend each of Eastern's open houses. Participants have the opportunity to meet with faculty members and student service personnel from various academic departments on campus. Students also will be able to tour the campus and residence halls.

The tours offer free meal tickets in order for students and their families to sample food in one of the university's several Dining Services facilities located across campus.

Anyone wishing detailed information on either of the two open houses should contact the Admissions Office at (217) 581-2223 or 1(800) 252-5711, or visit Eastern's website: <http://www.eiu.edu>.

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Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs. The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities. Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.