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## First-Generation College Student Celebration Taking Place at SWOSU

In conjunction with the Center for First-Generation Student Success, Southwestern Oklahoma State University is celebrating first-generation students November 2-6 on the Weatherford campus.

Dr. Wendy Yoder, coordinator for academic advising and retention management, said SWOSU students are encouraged to stop by her office in Stafford Center 250 to pick up a button, and employees are encouraged to pick up a magnet to display in work areas. A paper banner that can be signed is also available in the office, and the banner will later be displayed on campus.

According to Yoder, over 40% of SWOSU students are first-generation.

She encourages students and faculty to participate in virtual celebrations that are planned nationally this week. Registration for the student event on Thursday, November 5, at 5 p.m. is available at: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_NfpalGPhSfaMIFzIra8CFQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NfpalGPhSfaMIFzIra8CFQ)

The registration for a Council for Opportunity in Education (COE) event, which is Friday, November 6, at 1 p.m. is available at:

<https://naspa.org/events/joint-virtual-first-generation-college-celebration>

The Center for First-Generation Student Success, an initiative of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) and The Suder Foundation, serves as the premier source of evidence-based practice, professional development, and knowledge creation for the higher education community while advancing innovation and advocacy for the success of first-generation college students.