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Open House 2006 "Cal Poly: Choice of Champions" April 20 - 22

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Cal Poly's 13th Annual Open House "Cal Poly: Choice of Champions" is scheduled for April 20-22. The event is free and open to current and conditionally admitted students, family members, supporters, alumni, and community members.

This year's theme highlights the university's position at the center of the winner's circle, attracting students who are the best of the best.

The weekend kicks off at Farmers' Market on Thursday, April 20 with Club Preview Night. Visitors can meet the Open House committee and talk with student clubs on Garden Street .

On Friday, April 21, admitted students will have an opportunity to meet with deans and professors on campus, and to learn about academic opportunities at Cal Poly.

"Friday Nite Invite: The Pre-Game Show" takes place from 8 to 11 p.m. April 21 in the Julian McPhee University Union. Prospective students and their peers currently attending Cal Poly can spend Friday night in a fun alcohol-free and drug-free environment.

Also on Friday night, the Week of Welcome program will host a Parent's Coffeehouse from 8 to 11 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Nationally recognized student orientation leaders will be on hand to offer advice and share stories.

On Saturday, April 22, the day's events begin at 9 a.m. with the Poly Royal Parade. Open House Showcase activities take place on campus between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Visitors can see all event activities by following the Open House Loop across campus. Events include:

- The Club Showcase, beginning at 10:30 a.m., featuring some 200 of Cal Poly's clubs.
- A full lineup of student talent on the Main Stage on Dexter Lawn.
- The Kids' Fair, located in the University Union Plaza , for kids of all ages. It will feature a bounce house, face-painting and much more.
- The Tractor Pull, Rodeo, Music Department Concert, RoboRodentia, Design Village and more.

For more information and a full schedule, visit the Open House website at <http://orientation.calpoly.edu/openhouse/> or call the Open House office at (805) 756-7576.

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