

# Don't Forget Your **RED** and **BLACK** Tomorrow for Warrior Spirit Friday!



Back by popular demand, I'm announcing Warrior Spirit Fridays to acknowledge the tremendous accomplishments of our students – on the athletic fields, in the classroom, providing cultural arts and entertainment or simply by doing good for our campus and the community. With that in mind, we're taking our Warrior Pride to a new level this year, introducing the Warrior Pride Award – which will be a weekly award presented to the office, department or student organization that demonstrates the most Warrior Pride in photo posts every Friday starting Friday, September 26 – Family Weekend!

The Warrior Pride Award will be an actual trophy that will move around campus each week to the site of the winning office/department/organization for them to display and enjoy. Photo submissions should be uploaded to <http://esu.edu/spiritfriday> and will be posted on the ESU website for everyone to view. A secret judging panel will determine the winner and someone from ESU's leadership team will deliver the trophy to the winning group first thing Monday morning. The winning group that week will return the trophy to the President's Office the following Friday. At the end of the academic year, the trophy will be returned to the President's Office for safe keeping until next year when we'll start all over again.

And so while every day at ESU is a GREAT day to be a Warrior, I challenge you all to be creative, thoughtful and spirited in your posts. Show your true Warrior Colors every Friday and get in on the fun. Please consider wearing school colors (red and black) or ESU gear every Friday throughout the academic year. Items such as ESU shirts, sweatshirts or fleece pullovers would be appropriate attire, worn with dress jeans or khakis for "Spirit Fridays." But, depending on your role at the university, please use your discretion to be sure you're dressed appropriately for your role in the office or as a student.

To help everyone expand their Warrior Wardrobe, Barnes and Noble will offer a special item of the week at a discounted price for ESU students, faculty and staff. Be sure to stop in to the University Store to check out the discounted item and get set for a great year of celebrating student success!

With Warrior Pride,

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President