

Area businesses join in the fun of Welcome Week at SIUE

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EDWARDSVILLE - Hundreds of students packed Southern Illinois University Edwardsville's Goshen Lounge in the Morris University Center on Wednesday, Aug. 24 for the annual Merchant's Fair and Dairy Queen ice cream social.

Chancellor Dr. Randy Pembroke and City of Edwardsville Mayor Hal Patton participated in the event that demonstrated the strong relationship between SIUE and the surrounding community.

[The highly anticipated Welcome Week event is featured in this video.](#)

[Southern Illinois University Edwardsville](#) provides students with a high quality, affordable education that prepares them for successful careers and lives of purpose. Built on the foundation of a broad-based liberal education, and enhanced by hands-on research and real-world experiences, the academic preparation SIUE students receive

equips them to thrive in the global marketplace and make our communities better places to live. Situated on 2,660 acres of beautiful woodland atop the bluffs overlooking the natural beauty of the Mississippi River's rich bottomland and only a short drive from downtown St. Louis, the SIUE campus is home to a diverse student body of more than 14,000.