What is a Buckeye?

• Buckeye tree is native to Ohio
• Toxic nut from the tree looks like the eye of a deer ("buck eye")
• Chocolate and peanut butter candy made to look like the buckeye nut
• Five-fingered leaf of the tree is another OSU symbol
• "Buckeye" refers to anyone from the State of Ohio and any member of the Ohio State community
An Overview

Pre-Departure Orientation
Brutus Buckeye and The Ohio State University Marching Band

- Otherwise known as “The Best Damn Band in the Land” or “TBDBITL” (tuh-BID-ul)
- Largest all-brass and percussion band in the world
Tradition

- Traditions of academic excellence, service, leadership, involvement and diversity
- Tradition of lifelong commitment
- More than 500,000 living alumni around the world
- Ohio State Athletics
  - Friendly rivalry with the University of Michigan