Bush to visit Tucson today

President to discuss border security at Davis-Monthan

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President Bush is expected to give a speech today in Tucson at the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base about his concerns with current border security. The speech, which is not open to the public, is scheduled to begin at 2:40 p.m. and will focus on border security as well as comprehensive immigration reform, said White House spokesman Blair Jones.

In addition to the president, Jones confirmed the Attorney General Alberto Gonzales and Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff are scheduled to appear alongside the president.

Jones would not comment about 41 percent of college students saying they approve of his performance.

Out of the students polled in the Harvard survey, 62 percent said they support withdrawing some or all of the troops from Iraq, and 58 percent said they feel the country is headed down the “wrong track.”

To find out the UA’s stance, staff members of the Arizona Daily

First home game has small student turnout

Thanksgiving holiday may have been factor

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Even though yesterday marked the first regular-season home game for the UA men’s basketball team, the line for students wanting to occupy the new student section in McKale Center was less than expected, according to on-site security.

Only about 75 students lined up at the northwest entrance to McKale Center at 1 p.m., the earliest time ticket-holders could begin waiting for the game, which began at 5 p.m.

Students attending men’s basketball games this season are seated on the north side of McKale Center instead of being dispersed throughout the arena. “It raises the spirit and gets people more excited,” said Colbi Brown, a senior majoring in ary biology.

Security guard Donna Shelby said she was surprised to see so few students waiting, especially on a day when no classes were scheduled. She said the turnout was roughly equal to those seen at the team’s exhibition home games in the last couple of weeks.

A contributing factor, Shelby said, might have been the Thanksgiving holiday because many students were still out of town. As the season goes on, the line should fill up more quickly, she said.

“The real test for the student turnout will be the next major home game,” Shelby said.

But the die-hard fans who were in town lined up hours before the game started to get a good seat.

Senior Brian Leahy said he arrived at 12:30 p.m. and was the first person in line.

“We wanted front-row seats for the first home game,” Leahy said.

Those who showed up early also had another incentive: The first 700 students to arrive got a wristband for the lower-level section.

“It’s a sacrifice to get here early, but it’s worth getting our own section and great seats,” said Adam Collins, an undeclared sophomore.

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