2021 Parent and Family Orientation

For families of students in groups 38 to 77. Your student received their group assignment at check-in.

SATURDAY, AUG. 14

Open Office Hours (Optional)  The following offices will be open to accommodate students’ and families’ questions and needs:

- Cashier’s Office (10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.)  Yost 165 (D5)
- Student Financial Services (10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 145 (D5)
- University Financial Aid (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 435 (D5)
- University Registrar (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 135 (D5)

2 to 4 p.m.  Campus Tours (Optional)  Wolstein Hall (E3)

Head to the Office of Undergraduate Admission to take an official campus tour. Take a stroll around campus and experience the architecture, technology and activities CWRU has to offer. Tours will depart every 30 minutes with the first tour starting at 2 p.m. and the last tour at 4 p.m. Due to capacity limitations, we may ask you to be flexible with your tour start time.

SUNDAY, AUG. 15

Open Office Hours (Optional)  The following offices will be open to accommodate students’ and families’ questions and needs:

- Cashier’s Office (10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.)  Yost 165 (D5)
- Cleveland Hillel (12 p.m. to 2 p.m.)  11303 Euclid Ave. (D4)
- Public Safety (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)  1689 E. 115th St. (E2)
- Student Financial Services (10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 145 (D5)
- University Financial Aid (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 435 (D5)
- University Registrar (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.)  Yost 135 (D5)
- University Counseling Services (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)  Outside Sears (D5)

12 to 5 p.m.  Bank and Cell Phone Fair (optional)  Tinkham Veale University Center, Smith Commons (D4)

Representatives from local banks and cell phone providers will be on hand to open bank accounts, activate cell phone plans and answer your questions.

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12:30 to 1:30 p.m. | 2 to 3 p.m. | 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. | 5 to 6 p.m.  Parent and Family Orientation Opening Session (choose one)  Tinkham Veale University Center, Ballroom (D4)

Hear from Lou Stark, vice president for Student Affairs; Tom Matthews, associate provost in Student Success; Edwin Mayes, director of First-Year Experience and Family Programs; and Dr. Sara Lee, executive director of University Health and Counseling Services.

This schedule is accurate as of Thursday, Aug. 12. For the most up-to-date information, consult the Discover Week CampusGroups App.

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MONDAY, AUG. 16

9 to 11 a.m. Office of Multicultural Affairs Open House  Sears 409 (D5)
Want to get your student connected and engaged with diversity, inclusion and social justice efforts on campus while they find their home away from home? Learn more about the resources, student organizations and programs available through the Office of Multicultural Affairs. Participants will get a tour of the OMA spaces and meet staff from the office who can connect your student to social, cultural and academic opportunities throughout the year.

9:30 to 12:30 p.m. Information Fair  Kelvin Smith Library (D4)
Do you have questions about campus services? Come find the office you need, and talk one-on-one with a representative while all of our resources are in the same place.

Lunch On Your Own and Campus Exploration with Your Student
Enjoy lunch in a local eatery or pick up last-minute items in local shopping centers. Due to seating capacities, the Leutner Dining Hall is for student-use only with their CWRU CaseOneCard ID.

12:45 to 1:30 p.m. Educational Session 1 — Choose one of the following options:
    Academic Resources — Schmitt Auditorium (E5)
    Greek Life — Wickenden 321 (D5)
    Learn By Doing: Internships, Research and More — Rockefeller 309 (D5)
    Life on Campus for LGBTQ Students — Nord 400 (D5)
    Safety and Student Conduct — Clapp 108 (E5)
    Student Activities and Leadership — Bingham 140 (E5)

1:45 to 2:30 p.m. Educational Session 2 — Choose one of the following options:
    Academic Resources — Schmitt Auditorium (E5)
    Dean of Students: Advocacy & Support at CWRU — Rockefeller 309 (D5)
    First Across the Finish Line, Hurdles and All — Nord 410 (D5)
    Managing CWRU Finances: University Financial Aid and Student Financial Services — Strosacker Auditorium (D5)
    Student Activities and Leadership — Bingham 140 (E5)
    Study Abroad Redefined: Developing the Competitive Edge — Wickenden 321 (D5)

2:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.  Educational Session 3 — Choose one of the following options:
    Disability Resources — Nord 400 (D5)
    Managing CWRU Finances: University Financial Aid and Student Financial Services — Strosacker Auditorium (D5)
    Safety and Student Conduct — Clapp 108 (E5)
    Study Abroad Redefined: Developing the Competitive Edge — Wickenden 321 (D5)

3:30 – 3:45 p.m. Parent and Family Orientation Conclusion and Farewell — Van Horn Field (Esss6)
Thank you for attending Parent and Family Orientation. Join your student at Van Horn field to say your goodbyes before they attend the University Welcome. After they go inside, you will be able to watch the event live online, or view a recording later.
EDUCATIONAL SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Academic Resources — Join Academic Resources staff members for a discussion about programs and services to help students achieve their academic goals. Learn about Supplemental Instruction (SI); Peer Tutoring; Study Group + 1; Spoken English programs and seminars; and one-on-one assistance with time management, study skills, test-taking, note-taking strategies and spoken English. Presenters will also discuss UNIV 100, a popular five-week, non-credit seminar on study skills and time management available to students during both halves of the fall and spring semesters.

Dean of Students - Advocacy & Support at CWRU — The Dean of Students Office supports students on their journeys, ensuring their holistic success and wellness. The office empowers students to become self-advocates who are able to identify and overcome obstacles. In an effort to address the needs of our students and the campus community, the Dean of Students Office has established case management, Behavioral Intervention Teams (BIT), CARE Management and integral relationships with all campus resources. This presentation will give a brief overview of these student support services and discuss how families and friends can work with the Dean of Students Office to help guide our students through transitions, student life, wellness activities and other needs during their time at CWRU.

Disability Resources Information Session — Managing a disability and college demands simultaneously may require assistance. Talk with the Disability Resources staff to find out how students access services and accommodations at Case Western Reserve University. Learn about the differences between high school and college and what is expected from students and parents in this new environment.

First Across the Finish Line, Hurdles and All — Is your student the first in the family to attend college? Or the first in their generation? Then this is the session for you! We will be talking about how you can best help your student navigate a brand new world. Understanding that not everyone is familiar with the college environment, we hope to find ways to make you and your students’ journeys easier. You will learn about what it means for your student to be part of the first-generation community here at Case Western Reserve University.

Greek Life — The Greek Life Office at CWRU is committed to helping create a unique Greek experience with exponential potential for every member. Join us to learn more about the Greek Experience Model and the four pillars of the Greek Community at Case Western Reserve University. Have questions about fraternity and sorority recruitment and membership? Get answers here.

Learn By Doing: Internships, Research and More — Experiential education is an important part of the Case Western Reserve experience. Through experiential education, students are able to apply classroom learning to real-world settings. Learn about the different opportunities available to students, including internships, practicum, co-ops, entrepreneurship and research.

Life on Campus for LGBTQ Students — Case Western Reserve University was recently ranked one of the top 25 college campuses for LGBT students. What does that mean for your student? Hear from the LGBT Center leadership as well as a current student to learn about resources, support, LGBTQ-inclusive policies and myriad social opportunities on and off campus.

Managing CWRU Finances: University Financial Aid and Student Financial Services — Representatives from the offices of University Financial Aid and Student Financial Services will discuss financial aid, student employment, scholarships, loans, payment plans and the student billing system. Staff will review payment due dates and answer questions on both financial aid and the payment process.

Safety and Student Conduct — It is important for your student to stay safe and make good decisions during their time at Case Western Reserve University. The CWRU Division of Public Safety will review safety information, crime prevention tips and safety-related services provided by the campus police and the university, such as transport services and emergency notification. The University Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards will discuss how and why your student may interact with the office, expectations about behavior and the importance of making good decisions.

Student Activities and Leadership — The life of a Case Western Reserve University first-year student outside the classroom is as important to their overall experiences as academics. This session will offer insight into the wonderful opportunities awaiting your student. We will share information about the positive impact of participation in activities like student clubs and organizations.

Study Abroad Redefined: Developing the Competitive Edge — Students with study abroad experience are more likely to get multiple job offers with higher starting salaries upon graduation. Learn how your student can take advantage of CWRU’s various education abroad opportunities—exchanges, internships, research, CWRU courses that include a study abroad and virtual opportunities—to develop the global and intercultural competencies necessary for success in today’s world. We’ll discuss finances, processes, graduating on time and more. Get ready to give your student the opportunity of a lifetime!