

BENEDICTINE COLLEGE

SOAR



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JUNE 13-14, 2025

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WELCOME TO SOAR & THE RAVEN FAMILY!

We are thrilled your Benedictine College journey is beginning! This weekend you will become more familiar with campus, meet future classmates, and finalize your first-year academic plans. Please use this program as your weekend roadmap and connect with our staff if you have any further questions.



Weekend Notes

Staying Overnight & Key Return

Students who registered to stay overnight in a residence hall Friday may receive their room keys from 3:15 – 5:00 PM in the lower level of the St. John Paul II Student Center. Please keep your key with you at all times. The designated residence hall for women is St. Scholastica Hall; the hall for men is Courtney Turner S. Hall. Return your room key/key card to Admission staff at Saturday morning check-in.

Parents who registered to stay overnight on campus Friday may receive their room key cards from 3:15 – 5:00 PM in the lower level of the St. John Paul II Student Center. The designated residence hall for parents is St. Gabriel Hall. Please return your room key card to Conferencing staff during Saturday morning check-in.

Luggage Hold — Students and parents may securely store luggage in the St. John Paul II Student Center on Friday until overnight check-in begins at 3:15 PM. Please return your luggage to your vehicle on Saturday morning. If you are traveling alone, you may store luggage in the St. John Paul II Student Center until after lunch. All luggage must be claimed by 3:00 PM on Saturday.

Transportation to and from Campus

The Office of Admission has arranged airport transportation for students traveling alone through 5 Guys Transportation. Your check-in packet includes the departure time for your return trip to the airport, which will depart from the Haverty Center. It is critical that you are aware of and adhere to the departure times and locations from campus. If you have any questions or are delayed, please call Admission Counselor Andrew Duque at 913.360.0288.

Parking

Feel free to park in any parking area on campus.

Meals

All meals from Friday evening through Saturday lunch are included with registration.

Student Photo IDs

At the Raven Life Expo on Friday, you may have your photo taken for your Benedictine Student ID card. Your ID card will be issued to you at move-in. If you are unable to have a photo taken at SOAR, there will be time for you to do so during Raven Orientation Camp in August.

Murphy Recreation Center

Guests (ages 17+) are welcome to utilize our 42,000-square-foot recreation center.

- **June 13:** 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM
- **June 14:** 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Campus Security

You can reach campus security at 913.360.8888 if you have an emergency.

Mass Times

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

- **Friday:** 12:10 PM
- **Saturday:** 12:10 PM
- **Sunday:** 9:00 AM

St. Benedict Parish Church

- **Saturday:** 5:00 PM (Vigil for Sunday);
Confession: 4:00 PM
- **Sunday:** 7:00 AM; 9:00 AM; 11:00 AM



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**Located in the
Haverty Center**

June 14: 10 AM – 4 PM

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FRIDAY, JUNE 13

DAY ONE

Unless otherwise noted, students and family members are welcome to attend all events.

Note: O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium is located in the St. John Paul II Student Center.

Day Schedule

11:00 AM
Walking Tour of Campus*
Depart from St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

12:10 PM
Mass*
St. Benedict's Abbey Church

1:00 PM
Check-in
St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

1:30 PM
Welcome
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

1:45 – 2:30 PM
Your Academic Life
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

2:45 – 3:15 PM
Academic Sessions
Various Campus Locations

3:15 – 4:30 PM
Raven Life Expo
St. John Paul II Student Center, Upper Level Atrium

Feel free to visit with college community members from a variety of offices and departments.

3:15 – 5:00 PM
Student/Parent Overnight Check-in
St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

Students and Parents may check in during this time to claim room keys and move luggage to assigned rooms.

3:30 PM
St. Benedict Medal Blessing*
Future Library Quad

Join President Minnis for a ceremony blessing a St. Benedict Medal that will be placed in the base of the library. This time-honored tradition dates back 100+ years — every building on campus has a St. Benedict Medal in its base.

Please enter the construction area on the east side of St. Benedict Hall. Brief tours of the library progress will be available following the ceremony.

4:15 – 5:00 PM
Student-Athlete Meeting
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

Mandatory for Varsity Athletes, including Marching Band, Cheer, and Dance.

5:00 PM
Walking Tour of Campus*
Depart from Haverty Center

5:00 – 7:00 PM
Dinner
Dining Hall

5:15 – 6:45 PM
Placement Exams*
St. Benedict Hall Computer Lab, Room 332

- Calculus I
- Foreign Language

For more information and FAQs about placement exams, visit:
Benedictine.edu/PlacementExam

* Optional Events

Student Schedule

7:00 PM
Sand Volleyball, Yard Games, and Refreshments
Sand Volleyball Courts, Turner Lawn and Schroll Lounge

Parent Schedule

7:00 – 9:00 PM
Parent Reception
Cray Seaberg Hall, Benedetto's

Relax and connect with fellow Raven parents at a reception in your honor! Complimentary adult beverages provided.

Sponsored by the Benedictine College Parent Guild.

Late Night Schedule ...

9:00 PM
Walk-in Movie
St. Scholastica Hall Classroom



**VIEW OUR ONLINE
COURSE CATALOG**

Benedictine.edu/Programs

2:45 – 3:15 PM

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

Take this time to visit with an academic department of your choosing to learn more about a specific major or program.

Due to faculty availability, not all majors are represented.

Architecture

Bishop Fink Hall, 421

Art & Design

Bishop Fink Hall, 401

Biology & Pre-Med/Health

Westerman Hall, 218

Business

**Includes: Accounting,
Finance, International
Business, Management, Marketing**

Ferrell Academic Center, 108

Chemistry & Biochemistry

Westerman Hall, 403

Classics/Great Books

Ferrell Academic Center, 307

Education

Ferrell Academic Center, 220

Engineering

**Includes: Chemical,
Civil, Electrical, Mechanical**
Westerman Hall, 107

English

Ferrell Academic Center, 209

Health, Wellness, & Exercise Science

Includes: Athletic Health Care
Mother Theresa Center, 101

History

St. Benedict Hall, 408

Journalism & Mass Communications

Ferrell Academic Center, 323

Math & Computer Science

Ferrell Academic Center, 207 & 208

Music

Bishop Fink Hall, 307

Nursing

Mother Teresa Center, 201

Philosophy

Ferrell Academic Center, 308

Physics & Astronomy

Westerman Hall, 317

Political Science

Ferrell Academic Center, 109

Psychological Sciences

Ferrell Academic Center, 124

Sociology & Criminology

Ferrell Academic Center, 324

Theatre Arts & Dance

St. Benedict Hall, 405

Theology

Ferrell Academic Center, 301

Undecided

Ferrell Academic Center, 219

World Languages & Cultures

Ferrell Academic Center, 125

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

DAY TWO

Student Schedule

8:00 AM

Breakfast

Dining Hall

8:30 – 9:00 AM

Check-in and Key Return

St. John Paul II Student Center, Lower Level

9:00 – 9:45 AM

Welcome

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

Stephen D. Minnis, President

Dr. Kim Shankman, Provost and Dean of the College

10:00 – 10:45 AM

Orientation Groups

Various Campus Locations

10:45 AM – 1:00 PM

Academic Advising

Ferrell Academic Center, 207 & 208

Intro to RavenZone

Westerman Hall Computer Lab, Room 135 /

St. Benedict Hall Computer Lab, Room 332

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Lunch

Dining Hall

1:30 – 3:00 PM

Placement Exam*

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10:00 AM – 10:50 AM

Tour of St. Benedict's Abbey

Depart from O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

10:00 – 10:50 AM

Walking Tour of Campus (upon request)

Depart from O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

11:00 – 12:15 PM

Money Matters

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

Office of Financial Aid and the Office of Student Billing

12:15 – 12:45 PM

Student Life Overview

O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

Office of Student Life

12:30 – 2:30 PM

Lunch

Dining Hall



ACADEMIC ADVISING FAQs

May I speak with a faculty member about my class schedule during the Friday Academic Sessions?

The Academic Sessions are designed as a broad showcase of our departmental programs, and so we ask students to reserve specific questions regarding individual class schedules for Saturday's Academic Advising session.

May I meet with a faculty member to discuss or change my class schedule?

There is an opportunity during the Saturday activities for students who have questions about or need to make changes to their class schedule to speak with an advisor.

When will I see the changes to my class schedule that I discussed with an advisor at SOAR?

Beginning mid-June, our Advising Team will address course conflicts. Changes are not instantaneous, however, and may take multiple weeks to finalize. Please be patient and check your RavenZone account during the summer months for your updated course schedule.

I am a parent. May I attend my student's meeting with an advisor?

The purpose of this meeting is for the student to establish a connection with a faculty advisor in a one-on-one setting. If there are specific concerns you would like to have addressed in the meeting, please discuss them with your student and have them be prepared beforehand.

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

ROOM TOURS

You are invited to view the residence halls on your own on Saturday between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM.

- Turner Hall, Room 001
- St. Scholastica Hall, Room 100
- St. Martin Memorial Hall, Room 101
- Newman Hall, Room 107
- St. Michael Hall, Room 111
- Guadalupe Hall, Room 215



**LEARN ABOUT ROOM
DIMENSIONS & HALL
AMENITIES.**

Benedictine.edu/Student-Life/Residential/Index



MOVE-IN DAY: WHAT TO EXPECT

Arriving and Unloading*

Plan to arrive during the timeframe specified for your move-in day. (See below.) You'll be greeted upon arrival with helpful instructions for parking, checking in, and unloading belongings. Don't worry, you will experience warm Benedictine hospitality as teams of students, faculty, and staff help carry your belongings to your residence hall room.

Lunch, Loose Ends, Mass, & Goodbyes*

After moving in, you and your family are invited to cool off at a complimentary lunch in the dining hall.

At anytime before or after lunch, please visit the Ferrell Academic Center to meet with members of financial aid, student billing, student health, and information technology to tie up loose ends. Be sure to bring the student ID card that you received when you checked into your residence hall!

There will be time to shop for last-minute necessities before you attend a very special Family Send-Off Mass at 4:00 PM. Finally, around 5:15 PM, you'll say your goodbyes outside St. Benedict's Abbey Church before you join your fellow classmates for dinner in the Dining Hall.

**These expectations are for Move-In Day #3*



2025 Move-In Days

Saturday, August 9

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM

Saturday, August 16

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM

Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

Saturday, August 23

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 2 PM

Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

Move-in Day #1

New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Football, Men's and Women's Soccer, and Volleyball

Move-In Day #2

New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Cheer, Cross Country, Dance, and Marching Band
New students in the Honors Program

Move-In Day #3

All new students: freshmen and transfers

NEW LIBRARY

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KEY CONTACTS

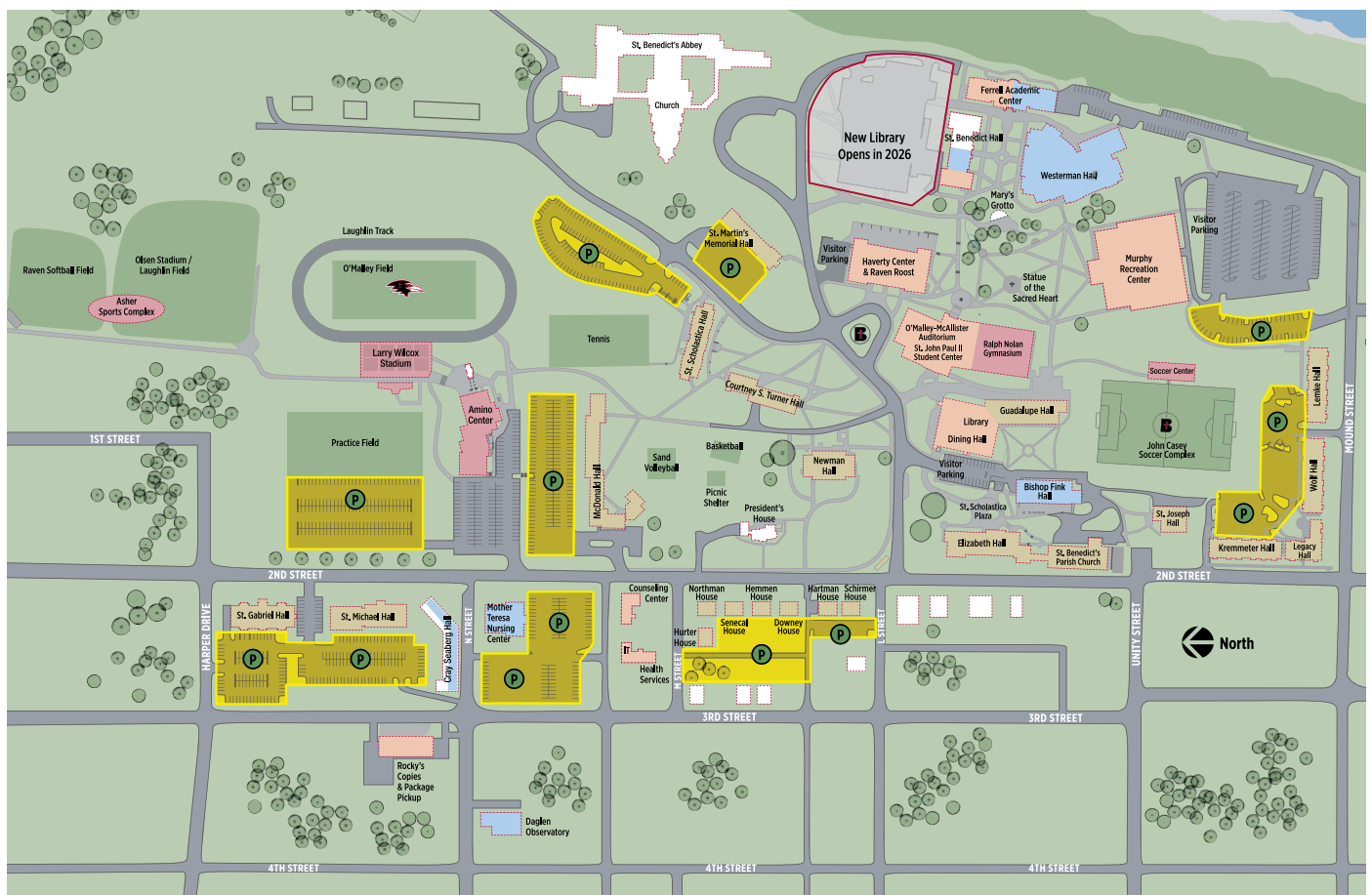
Academic Records/Registration	913.360.7550	Library	913.360.7608
Admission	913.360.7476	Mailroom	913.360.7240
Advancement	913.360.7414	Operations Helpdesk	913.360.7777
Athletics	913.360.7564	Raven Store	913.360.7448
Business Office	913.360.7403	Residence Life	913.360.7500
Career Services	913.360.7578	Rocky's Copies	913.360.7225
College Chaplain	913.360.7735	St. Paul's Outreach	913.360.7735
College Ministry	913.360.7735	Security	913.360.8888
Counseling Center	913.360.7621	Student Activities	913.360.7500
Dining Services	913.360.7595	Student Billing	913.360.7403
Financial Aid	913.360.7484	Student Life	913.360.7500
FOCUS	913.360.7735	Student Success Center	913.360.7576
Health Services	913.360.7117	Study Abroad	913.360.7975
IT Helpdesk	913.360.7777	Switchboard	913.367.5340
		Emergency	911

Benedictine College's faculty and staff are ready and available to assist you.
Please reach out to the appropriate department for support.

PARKING ON CAMPUS

Every student attending Benedictine is eligible to bring a car; however, many students find a car unnecessary. Students bringing a car to campus will be allowed to park in any of the marked lots with their Benedictine parking pass. Vehicles without a sticker may be ticketed.

Parking passes are available to new students after August 1 online at [Benedictine.edu/Parking](https://www.benedictine.edu/Parking).



RAVEN FAMILY CALENDAR

Please support Raven Athletics throughout the year.
View schedules online at **RavenAthletics.com**.

Fall Semester 2025

Saturday, August 9

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 12 PM

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Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

Move-In Day #2

- New (freshmen and transfer) and returning student-athletes in Cheer, Cross Country, Dance, and Marching Band
- New students in the Honors Program

Saturday, August 23

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – 2 PM

Family Send-Off Mass: 4 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

Move-In Day #3

All new students: freshmen and transfers

Sunday, August 24

Arrive and check in: 12 PM – 3 PM

Move-In Day #4

All returning students

Saturday – Tuesday, August 23–26

ROC (Raven Orientation Camp)

Wednesday, August 27

Fall Semester Begins

Monday, September 1

Labor Day

Classes in session

Tuesday, September 2

Opening All-School Mass & Convocation

Friday – Sunday, September 26–28

Family Weekend

Friday, October 3

Oktoberfest

Tuesday, October 14

Midterms (1st Quarter Classes End)

Thursday – Sunday, October 16–19

Residence halls open with limited dining services

Fall Break

No classes in session

Friday – Sunday, October 24–26

Homecoming

Saturday, November 1

All Saints Day

Wednesday – Sunday, November 26–30

Residence Halls close November 26 at 10 AM and reopen November 30 at Noon

Thanksgiving Break

No classes in session

Tuesday, December 9

Last Day of Fall Semester Classes

Wednesday, December 10

Study Day

Thursday – Friday, December 11–12

Monday – Tuesday, December 15–16

Final Exams

Wednesday, December 17 – Sunday, January 11

Residence halls close December 17 at 10 AM

Christmas Break

No classes in session



Spring Semester 2026

Sunday, January 11

Arrive and check in: 9 AM – Noon

Student Arrival and Check-in

Wednesday, January 14

Spring Semester Begins

Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Classes in session

Wednesday – Saturday, January 21–24

March for Life

Tuesday, February 10

Feast of St. Scholastica, All-School Mass

Saturday, February 14

Mother-Son/Father-Daughter Banquet and Dance

Wednesday, February 18

Ash Wednesday, All-School Mass

Saturday, February 28

Annual Scholarship Ball

Tuesday, March 3

Midterms (1st Quarter Classes End)

Saturday – Sunday, March 7–15

March 7: Residence halls close at 10 AM

March 15: Residence halls open at Noon

Spring Break

Friday – Saturday, March 20–21

Symposium on Transforming Culture

Saturday, March 21

Feast of St. Benedict

Friday – Sunday, March 27–28

Lil' Sibs Weekend

Thursday – Monday, April 2–6

Residence halls open with limited dining services

Easter Break

No classes in session

Wednesday, April 15

Discovery Day

Friday – Saturday, May 2–4

Springfest Weekend

Tuesday, May 5

Last Day of Spring Semester Classes

Wednesday, May 6

Study Day

Thursday – Friday, May 7–8

Monday – Tuesday, May 11–12

Spring Finals

Wednesday, May 13

Students depart residence halls within 24 hours of completing their last final exam.

Residence halls close at 10 AM

Summer Break

Friday, May 15

Senior Brunch and Baccalaureate Mass

Saturday, May 16

Commencement

Sunday, May 17

Residence halls close at 10 AM

Graduates Depart Residence Halls

CAMPUS MAP

Key Locations

- Dining Hall
- Ferrell Academic Center
- Haverty Center
- Mary's Grotto
- Office of Admission
- St. Benedict's Abbey
- St. John Paul II Student Center

Academics

- Bishop Fink Hall
- Cray Seaberg Hall
- Daglen Observatory
- Ferrell Academic Center
- Mother Teresa Nursing Center
- St. Benedict Hall
- Westerman Hall

Residence Halls/Houses

- Courtney S. Turner Hall
- Cray Seaberg Hall
- Elizabeth Hall
- Guadalupe Hall
- Hartman House
- Kremmeter Hall
- Legacy Hall
- Lemke Hall
- McDonald Hall
- Newman Hall
- Schirmer House
- St. Gabriel Hall
- St. Joseph Hall
- St. Martin's Memorial Hall
- St. Michael Hall
- St. Scholastica Hall
- Wolf Hall

Athletics

- Amino Center
- Asher Sports Complex
- John Casey Soccer Center
- Larry Wilcox Stadium
- Ralph Nolan Gymnasium

Campus Services

- Campus Security
- IT/Operations
- Murphy Recreation Center
- Rocky's Copies
- Student Health Center
- Student Success Center

For now, you may need a map to navigate campus. In a short time, however, this new place will become familiar, and you will have found special places and people that help this new place feel like home.







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