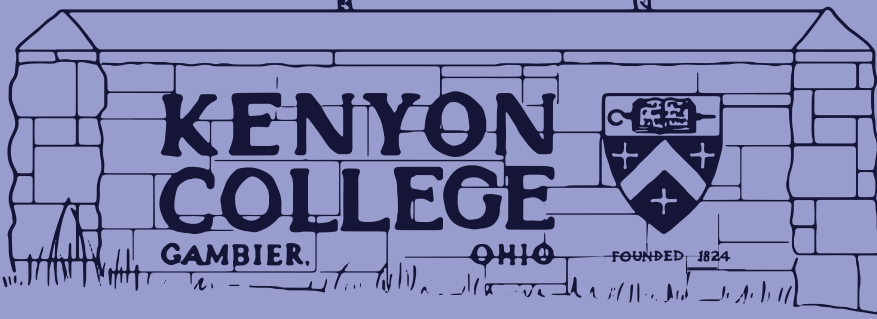
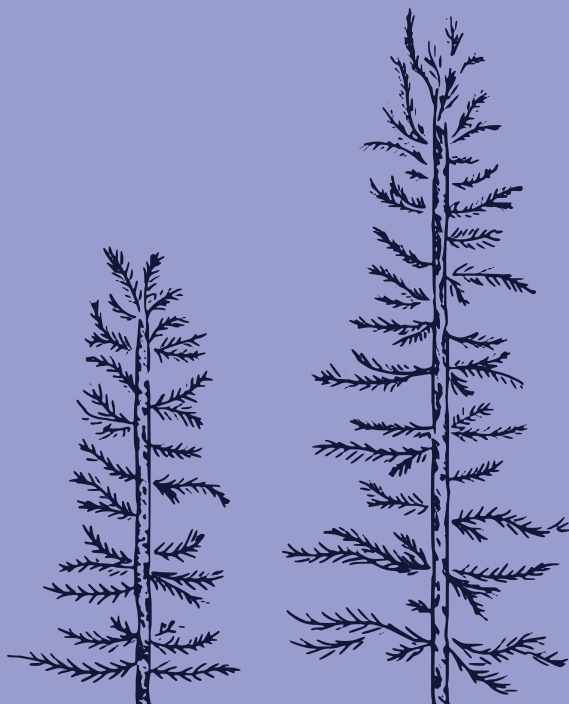


Class of 2025

SCHEDULE OF ORIENTATION EVENTS



Your Kenyon journey
starts here.

Saturday, August 21

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. **New Student Check-In**

Representatives from important College support services will be available in the Lowry Center or in their offices to assist students and family members, as well as to assist with forms. See below for support services locations for the day.
Multi-Activities Court (MAC) in the Lowry Center

10 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Taking Care of Business**

Cox Health and Counseling Center. *MAC, Lowry Center*
Financial Aid. *Edelstein House (105 College-Park St.)*
LBIS Technology Helpline. *Chalmers Library*
Student Accessibility and Support Services. *Chalmers Library*
Student Accounts. *Eaton Center South (209 Chase Ave.)*
Student Employment. *MAC, Lowry Center*
Student ID Cards. *Chalmers Library*

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. **Lunch in Peirce Hall**

2–2:40 p.m. **Orientation Kick-off**

Students and guests are welcomed to Kenyon by the deans. Learn what to expect through the orientation program and beyond, both inside and outside the classroom. *Samuel Mather Lawn*

2:45–4 p.m. **Orientation Group Meeting**

Your first opportunity to get to know other new students and your Orientation leaders (OLs). Your OLs will answer your questions as they mentor you through your first steps at the College. *Locations will be shared at the Orientation kick-off.*

5–7 p.m. **Dinner in Peirce Hall**

5–7 p.m. **First-Generation Dinner and Panel**

The Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion hosts first-generation college students and their families. (Open to guests who registered prior to Orientation.) *Peirce Pub, Peirce Hall*

7 p.m. **Community Advisor Meetings**

First-year and transfer students meet your Community Advisor (CA) and other residents on your floor. You will also learn important information about living on campus.

- *First-Year Community Advisor Meeting: Your CA will share your meeting location.*
- *Transfer Community Advisor Meeting: 112 Farr Hall*

8:30 p.m. **Building Your Kenyon Connections**

Meet other students in your residence hall and enjoy frozen treats, s'mores and more. *First Year Quad/Gund Commons Patio*

Sunday, August 22

7:30–9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

Students and their families are welcome to join the Kenyon community before Convocation for a continental breakfast at no charge. *Ascension and Peirce Lawn*

9 a.m. Mass on the Grass

Join chaplain Rachel Kessler '04 for a brief service. *Church of the Holy Spirit Lawn*
(Rain site: *Church of the Holy Spirit*)

9:40 a.m. Pre-Convocation Meeting

Meet your CA at 9:40 a.m. on your floor to walk to Middle Path for Convocation.

10 a.m. Convocation Line-Up

Meet on Middle Path.

10:30 a.m. 198th Opening Convocation

President Decatur and the Student Council president greet new students and their families at this traditional event. Opening Convocation will be held outside rain or shine. *Samuel Mather Lawn*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Lunch in Peirce Hall

11:30 a.m. Student and Family Farewells

1 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

You will receive your advising group assignment and location in this meeting.

2–2:45 p.m. Transfer Student Academic Transition Tips

This session gives transfer students the tools needed to successfully transition into a new academic atmosphere. Following the program, transfer students will attend the 4 p.m. “Life on the Hill: What it Means to be a Kenyon Student” session in Rosse Hall. *Community Foundation Theater, Gund Gallery*

2–3:30 p.m. Advising Sessions

Advising Group A. Faculty Advising: Student Group Advising Session

Meet your faculty advisor and start thinking in depth about how you want your first semester and year to progress. *Locations Vary*

Advising Group B. Life on the Hill: What it Means to be a Kenyon Student

You will hear from students, faculty and staff about how you will engage at Kenyon through the College’s mission statement, values, and rich traditions. *Rosse Hall*

3:40–4 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

4–5:30 p.m. Advising Sessions

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5–7 p.m. Dinner in Peirce Hall

7 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

7:30–8:30 p.m. New Student Sing Rehearsal (optional)

Learn the four songs that you will sing at the conclusion of Orientation as well as during senior week before graduation. This event is optional but encouraged if you plan to attend the New Student Sing event on Wednesday, Aug. 25. *Rosse Hall*

8:30–11:30 p.m. Kenyon Carnival

Join new students for an evening of games, inflatables, sweet treats, music and prizes. Walk away with a custom Kenyon street sign or some silly caricature art. *Gund Commons*

Monday, August 23

7:30–9:30 a.m. Breakfast in Peirce Hall

9 a.m. Orientation Group Meeting

9:30 a.m. Language Placement Exams

- Arabic: Ascension 114
- Chinese: Ascension 125
- French: Alumni Dining Room, Peirce Hall
- German: Ascension 126
- Greek: Contact Micah Myers, associate professor of classics, at myersm1@kenyon.edu for more information.
- Italian: Ascension 202
- Japanese: Ascension 002
- Latin: Ascension 326
- Russian: Ascension 201
- Spanish: Thomas Hall

9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Individual Transfer/Faculty Advising Appointments

10:30 a.m. Orientation Group Meeting

10:50 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Academic Department Presentations

Learn from professors and students about Kenyon's academic departments and programs as you start thinking about what courses you might want to take this semester. Various half-hour academic presentations will be offered at this session and at 1:50 p.m. Attend at least five of these presentations. Specific presentations and location information will be shared at the 10:30 a.m. orientation group meeting.

11 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch in Peirce Hall

12:30–1:30 p.m. Science and Mathematics Lunch

Drop in to meet science and mathematics faculty and have your questions answered. *Alumni Dining Room, Peirce Hall*

1:50–3:30 p.m. Academic Department Presentations (continued)

Specific presentations and locations will be shared at the 10:30 a.m. orientation group meeting.

3:40–4:30 p.m. Pre-professional advising sessions

Students interested in pre-med or pre-engineering will meet with faculty members and Career Development Office staff to learn about pre-professional advising.

Pre-Med Advising: Higley Auditorium

Pre-Engineering Advising: Hayes 215

4:45–5:15 p.m. Orientation Group Meetings

Meet with your OL to make sure you're prepared for your individual advising meeting and review the Plan Ahead platform. You will need to complete your Plan Ahead by 8 p.m. tonight.

5–7:30 p.m. Dinner in Peirce Hall

5:15–8 p.m. Students prepare Plan Ahead for 8 p.m. meeting

8 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

Your OL will review your Plan Ahead in preparation for your faculty advising meeting.

9 p.m. Kenyon Comedy Club

Join Social Board for an evening of laughs with comedian Michael Palascak, who was one of the top five finalists on Last Comic Standing. *Gund Commons Ballroom*

Tuesday, August 24

7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Breakfast

9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Faculty Advising

- Meet one-on-one with your faculty advisor at your assigned time to begin to discuss your academic directions and goals and review your Plan Ahead for first semester courses.
- Immediately after your individual advising appointments, meet with your OL to review and finalize your Plan Ahead.

9 a.m., 11 a.m. Staying Safe on Campus, Student Rights and Responsibilities

Meet some of Kenyon's Campus Safety officers and learn about your rights and responsibilities outlined in the Student Handbook and Code of Conduct. Students with advising appointments scheduled from 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. will attend the 11 a.m. session, and students with advising appointments scheduled from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. will attend the 9 a.m. session. *Rosse Hall*

11 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch in Peirce Hall

1:15 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. "Speak About It" (Groups 1–16)

Meet Kevin Peterson, civil rights/Title IX deputy coordinator, and view a series of skits performed by the "Speak About It" actors addressing issues related to drinking, culture, mental health and sexual assault. *Rosse Hall*

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Library and Support Services Rotations (Groups 17-32)

Learn about important resources and support services including library services, academic advising, the registrar's office, student accessibility and support services and career development. *Chalmers Library*

3:30 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

3:40 – 5:40 p.m. Library and Support Services Rotations (Groups 1-16)

See above description. *Chalmers Library*

3:40 – 5:40 p.m. "Speak About It" (Groups 17-30)

See above description. *Rosse Hall*

5 – 8 p.m. Dinner in Peirce Hall

8 p.m. Orientation Group Meeting

9 p.m. Trivia Tuesday with Nerdology

Think you know a lot about a lot? Then this is the perfect game show for you. This program is an interactive mix of games and trivia interspersed with fun and audience participation. Play, test your knowledge and win prizes. *Peirce Great Hall*

Wednesday, August 25

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Breakfast

9 a.m. Orientation Group Meeting

9:30 a.m. – Noon Kenyon Monologues: Stories of Inclusion, Excellence and Success

Kenyon students will share their stories about how they found their place on the Hill, how Kenyon has changed them, and how they have changed Kenyon. *Rosse Hall*

11 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch in Peirce Hall

2 p.m. Peace Corps Opportunities and Preparation

The Peace Corps prep program is an exciting opportunity for Kenyon students to prepare for Peace Corps service while pursuing their degrees. *Samuel Mather 201*

2:30 – 4 p.m. Open Houses

Registrar and Academic Advising

Get answers and meet the staffs of the Registrar's Office and Academic Advising. *Chalmers Library*

Career Development

Get all of your on-campus job questions answered. *Chalmers Library*

Spiritual Life

Learn about the opportunities available to support or explore your spiritual or religious journey through worship services, individual conversations, student organizations and more. *Parish House (201 W. Brooklyn St.)*

Find Your Classrooms

Bring your new class schedule, and OLs will be available to direct you towards your classrooms. *Tents on Ascension Lawn and Peirce Lawn*

KenyonFit

Explore all the Lowry Center has to offer. The first 75 people through the Lowry Center doors get a goody bag. Register during the open house for the KenyonFit app registration and activation services.

2:45 – 3:30 p.m. Mini KenyonFit class

2:45 and 3:30 p.m. Building tours

3 and 3:45 p.m. Fitness center tours

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Intramural signups

4:30 p.m. Final Orientation Group Meeting

Kenyon Welcome Week

5:30 p.m. New Student Sing Rehearsal (optional)

Learn the songs that you will sing at this longtime Kenyon tradition. The rehearsal and sing are optional but encouraged. *Rosse Hall*

6 p.m. New Student Sing (optional)

A great Kenyon tradition! New students sing four songs that are embedded in Kenyon history and traditionally sung at the conclusion of Orientation, Commencement and other events. This event is optional but encouraged. *Rosse Hall Front Steps*

6:30 p.m. Convening Dinner

This banquet-style dinner is a favorite tradition, featuring remarks from President Decatur and a keynote speaker. *Toan Track, Lowry Center*

8–9:30 p.m. Welcome Back Bash

Come tie dye some Kenyon merch, make your own candy bag and take a chance at winning some awesome school supplies so you're ready for the first day of classes. *Craft Center*

Thursday, August 26

8–10 p.m. Concert: SungBeats and Noah Hoehn

Beatbox champion SungBeats and singer/songwriter Noah Hoehn perform. *South Quad*

Friday, August 27

7 p.m. A Cappella Showcase

Join Kenyon's many talented a cappella student organizations for a cabaret show. *Rosse Hall*

8:30–10 p.m. Movie Night on the Lawn

Join Social Board for a screening of Pixar's "Soul." The first 200 students to attend will receive a free Social Board blanket. *Samuel Mather Lawn*

Saturday, August 28

10:45 a.m. Orientation Group Meetings

Peirce and Ascension Lawn

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Student Involvement Fair and Lunch

Toan Track, Lowry Center

9 p.m. Kickin' It with the Queens: Drag Show

Join the Office of Student Engagement and the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for an evening of entertainment by Columbus's finest drag queens. *Rosse Hall*

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