



New Student Orientation 2026

Sat. Aug. 15: Move-In Weekend

New Residential Students

12 – 5pm	New Resident Check-In New residents may check into their residence hall by appointment during this time.
12 – 1pm	Lunch Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan.
12 – 2pm	Bookstore Open The Bookstore will be open for you to shop and pick-up books.
5 – 7pm	Dinner Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan.
7pm	New Resident Progressive Ice Cream Party & Pick-Up Pickleball Hogan Hall 1st Floor/Outside New residents who checked in today should plan on joining us in Hogan Hall! This is your first opportunity to meet your fellow classmates and our Residence Life staff.

Sun. Aug. 16: Move-In Weekend

New Residential Students

8am – 1pm	New Resident Check-In New residents may check into their residence hall by appointment during this time.
9am – 10am	Breakfast Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan.
10am – 1pm	Offices Open: Take Care of Business New residents can visit the Bookstore (open until 3pm), the Beckley Hub, Student Health Services, TRIO Student Support Services, the Library, and Student Success Center during this time.
11:30am – 1pm	Lunch Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan.
1 – 4pm	Free Afternoon for Residential Students Choose from any of our afternoon activities or take some time to relax!

	• 1:30 – 2:30pm Dorm Room Bingo: Learning Resource Center – Library Join your RAs for Bingo and win some fabulous prizes for your new room. • 3 – 4pm Walmart Shuttle: Leaves from Hogan Hall Need to grab a few things? Hop on our shuttle to Walmart. • Open Office Hours in Hogan Hall Do you have questions or need assistance? Stop by the Hogan Hall Office! We can help you with all of your questions.
4:30 – 6pm	Dinner Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan.
7 – 9pm	Required New Resident Meeting and Mentalist Tom Kennedy Carter Hall Auditorium All new residents must attend our New Resident Meeting in Carter Hall. Following our meeting, you will want to stick around for Mentalist Tom Kennedy .

Mon. Aug. 17: New Student Orientation

All New Students

7:30 – 8:30am	Breakfast Bears Den will be open for residential students to eat, using their meal plan. All other students may purchase breakfast.
8:30 – 8:45am	Orientation Check-In Carter Hall Front Lawn All new students should plan on checking-in between 8:30-8:45am.
9am	Convocation Van Meter Gym Your formal welcome and introduction to WVU Tech. Join your new classmates as President Stuart welcomes you. After Convocation, find your Orientation Group on the Carter Hall Lawn.
9:50 – 10:50am	Clawing Your Way to Academic Success Groups 1-5: Carter Hall Auditorium Groups 6-9: Life Sciences 200 Groups 10-13: Life Sciences 208
11 – 11:40am	The Bear Necessities: Session 1 Groups 1-5: Get Your BEARings: Carter Hall Auditorium Groups 6-9: Bears Breaking the Ice Groups 10-13: Lunch: Bears Den (Make sure you have your ID with you to eat!)
11:50am – 12:30pm	The Bear Necessities: Session 2 Groups 1-5: Lunch: Bears Den (Make sure you have your ID with you to eat!) Groups 6-9: Get Your BEARings: Carter Hall Auditorium Groups 10-13: Bears Breaking the Ice: Meet outside Carter Hall

12:40 – 1:20pm

The Bear Necessities: Session 3

Groups 1-5: Bears Breaking the Ice

Groups 6-9: Lunch: Bears Den (Make sure you have your ID with you to eat!)

Groups 10-13: Get Your BEARings: Carter Hall Auditorium

1:35 – 2:05pm

Tech Talks 1 (Select one of the below sessions to attend)

- **404 Area of Expertise Not Found - Faculty Impromptu Lecture: Life Science 200**
What happens when a Math faculty member must give an impromptu lecture on Sport Management? Find out in this entertaining session!
- **Commuter Students on Campus: Life Science 208**
Will you be commuting to campus? Join us to get the scoop on commuter life. As a commuter, we want you to be involved in your campus – so join us to learn how you can do that!
- **First-Generation Student FAQs: Innovation 204**
If your parents did not graduate from college – you are a first-generation college student. This session is for you! Let us answer your questions, give tips for success, and introduce resources.
- **Southern WV -- Your Outdoor Playground: Innovation 214**
New to Southern West Virginia? Learn about everything that surrounds our campus and what there is to do beyond the University border. Find out why Southern West Virginia is one of the fastest-growing tourist destinations in the country.
- **Stupid Questions? That's Not a Thing: Innovation 110**
This session is here to help answer that question (or all those questions) you may have. We will answer them all! Questions about academics, the dorms, campus – we will answer them all. There may even be some prizes involved!

2:20 – 2:50pm

Tech Talks 2 (Select one of the below sessions to attend)

- **404 Area of Expertise Not Found - Faculty Impromptu Lecture: Life Science 200**
What happens when a Math faculty member must give an impromptu lecture on Sport Management? Find out in this entertaining session!
- **Student Athlete Academic Success: Life Science 208**
Will you be a student athlete this year? Then this session is for you. Join us as we discuss how you can succeed academically and athletically and what it takes to balance your time at Tech.
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- **Student Government Association and Student Activities Board: Innovation 110**
Student leaders will be on hand for you to learn more about these important campus groups, what they do, and how you can get involved. Get involved – make sure you don't miss out!

3– 3:30pm

Orientation Group Meetings

Meet your OL in the ELab Parking Lot (near Innovation & Life Sciences)

Join your OL for an important final group meeting of the day. They will take time to answer questions

3:30 – 4:30pm

Campus Tours Taking Care of Business

- **3:30pm: Tour!** Come to the Life Science Building to join us for a final tour of campus. Have your class schedule with you so you can make note of where all of your classes will be.
- **3:30 – 4:30pm:** Visit offices to take care of business: Student Life to get your pre-purchased parking permit, The Hub for billing questions, Student Success Center for class questions, and the Bookstore to get books and supplies.

4 – 6:30pm

Welcome Cookout

Join us outside of Bears Den for a Welcome Cookout to close-out your day. We will have food, games, entertainment, and more! End your day celebrating with us. Please bring your Student ID.