2026 Curry College Welcome Weekend Schedule

Welcome to Curry College! We are so excited for you to join our Curry family. As you arrive to campus and settle in before the start of classes, we have scheduled some activities to help you get acquainted with campus and learn more about what it means to be a student here at Curry.

All incoming first-year students Catalyst students, and Compass students, regardless of whether they are living on campus or commuting, are required to be a part of Welcome Weekend activities. Please make arrangements now for work, family outings, etc. If unable to attend any part of the weekend due to extenuating circumstances (e.g., family wedding, family emergency, etc.), email the Student Transitions and Family Programs team at newstudents@curry.edu in advance so we can discuss arrangements. All student-athletes must also attend the Welcome Weekend Activities; we have arranged this with your coaches.

For students commuting to campus, we will provide meals from Thursday evening through Sunday dinner for those who do not have a meal plan.

Transfer students who have 23 or fewer credit hours of post-high school, face-to-face coursework from a regionally accredited traditional college campus will also be required to participate in Welcome Weekend activities.

Students should ensure they have cleared any financial and health holds before arriving to campus.

Early Move-Ins

Tuesday, August 11th	Football Move In
Tuesday, August 18th	Soccer, Volleyball, Tennis, and Cross-Country Move In
Tuesday, August 25th	Cheer Move In
Wednesday, August 26th	SAIL, Catalyst, and Compass Move In
Wednesday, August 26th	New Student Orientation (students who didn't attend orientation in June)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th

Final Summer Orientation Day

9am-12pm	**First Year Student Move-In** (students who didn't attend orientation in June)
1-5:30pm	**New Student Orientation** (students who didn't attend orientation in June)

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 27th

9am-2pm **New Curry Student Move-In**
In early August, students will be assigned a designated time to move on August 27 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Please do not arrive before 9am. We strongly encourage all students and families to arrive during this window. However, if you cannot do so, please inform the residence life team at reslife@curry.edu beforehand. While there is no limit to the number of family members who can come to help a student move in, we ask you to be mindful of space and time. Move-in volunteers will help take items from cars to students' rooms.

We have intentionally created space in our day for students and families to rest, run to the store, pick up parking passes, and spend quality time together. Please feel free to stop by the Marketplace in the Student Center for lunch, on us!

12-2pm **Commuter Student Check-In (Information Desk, Student Center)**
Pick up your Curry Student ID and Welcome Weekend name tag before jumping into the Welcome Weekend schedule! **Commuters are expected to participate in all Welcome Weekend activities.** Meals in the Marketplace will be covered through Sunday.

12-2pm **PAL Preview: Family Drop-In (Gray Meeting Room, Student Center)**
Stop by and meet Dr. Peters and Dr. Parsons to ask questions and learn more about the Program for Advancement of Learning (PAL). This informal drop-in session is open to students and their families, a great way to connect and feel prepared for the PAL experience.

2-2:45pm **New PAL Student Orientation (Meet Outside Student Center)**
New PAL students will meet in front of the Student Center at 2pm and walk together to the PAL building for their First-Year Orientation. Get to know your PAL team, your space, and what to expect as you begin your journey in PAL.

3-3:45pm **President's Welcome & Welcome Weekend Overview (Katz Gym, Student Center)**
All new students and their families are invited to attend the official kickoff to Welcome Weekend! Hear from President Jay Gonzalez and learn more about the Welcome Weekend offerings.

3:45-4pm **See You Soons**
At this time, we kindly ask families to depart campus for the night so students can begin their Welcome Weekend experience. We hope to see you back tomorrow for Convocation and the Curry Community Picnic!

4-5pm **Orientation Team Meet Ups**
Meet your Orientation Leaders and fellow team members for Welcome Weekend. You can find your team information and meeting location on your nametag. Don't miss this opportunity to exchange numbers, start getting to know each other, and learn all about the Curry Cup competition!

5-6:30pm **Dinner and Games (Marketplace/Student Center)**
While dinner is happening, we'll also have lawn games and opportunities to mingle with your new classmates outside of the Student Center.

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7:15-8pm **First Floor Meetings (Residence Halls)- Residential Students**
Meet with your Resident Advisor on your floor to learn more about the residential community, expectations, and what it means to be a part of your building's family community.

7:15-8pm **Commuter Meet and Greet (Commuter Lounge, Hafer Hall)- Commuter Students**
Check out the Commuter Lounge, your new home away from home, and meet fellow students who will be commuting to campus this semester.

8-10:30pm **First Night at Curry: Game On (Student Center Lawn)**
Keep the energy going after Orientation and celebrate your first night at Curry College with a night of fun and games! You'll have a chance to engage in inflatable competitions, create a custom pennant, and grab ice cream. A live DJ will keep the beats bumping while you dance, play, and make your first memories at Curry unforgettable!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28th

8-10am **Breakfast (Marketplace)**
Head to the Marketplace at your own leisure to grab breakfast and fuel up for an exciting day!

10-10:45am **Orientation Team Meet Ups and Convocation Line Up (Academic Quad)**
Meet up with your Orientation Team to check in for the first full day of Welcome Weekend. All new students will process as a class from the Academic Quad to the Student Center for Convocation. Business casual attire (ie. sundresses, skirts, slacks, polos, etc.) is encouraged.

11-11:45am **Convocation (Katz Gym, Student Center)**
Convocation marks the beginning of an unforgettable experience for our new students. You will officially be welcomed to the Curry College community and encouraged to reflect on your hopes and dreams as you embark on your journey of academic and personal growth at Curry.

11:45-12pm **Class Photo (Student Center Lawn)**
Grab your official Purple Pride t-shirt and smile for the class photo with President Jay Gonzalez!

12-1pm **Curry Community Picnic (Student Center Lawn)**
Join fellow classmates, faculty, staff, family, and friends for food and fun. After eating, we kindly ask families to depart campus so students can continue their Welcome Weekend experience. Students, feel free to change into more comfortable clothing for the remainder of the day!

1-2pm **Academic Cohort Gatherings (see page 5 for location details)**
Before classes begin on Monday, meet faculty, staff, and fellow students from your area of study. Don't have a major? Don't worry, we have a meet-up for undeclared students as well!

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2:15-3:15pm	**The Download (Orientation Team indoor meeting locations)** Canvas, Involve, SchoolDude, Timely Care, myCurry portal, Curry360…oh my! Join your Orientation Leaders for a review of key websites and tools you'll be using often as a Curry student. You can find your group meeting location on your nametag.
3:30-4:30pm	**Break** What a day so far! Take some time to yourself or explore campus with new friends before dinner and evening activities.
4:30-6:30pm	**Dinner (Marketplace)**
5pm	**Women's Soccer vs. Simmons (Katz Field)** When you're not at dinner, join fellow students, faculty, and staff in cheering on the women's soccer team as they compete against Simmons!
7pm	**Men's Soccer vs. Rhode Island College (Katz Field)** When you're not at dinner, join fellow students, faculty, and staff in cheering on the men's soccer team as they compete against RIC!
8-10:30pm	**Neon Night Foam Party (886 Lawn)** Get ready to kick off your college experience with a splash at our Neon Night Foam Party! This event is a great way to dive into campus life and make unforgettable memories. Glow under the neon lights, dance in a sea of foam, and mingle with fellow new students in a high-energy, fun-filled atmosphere. With music, lights, and a foam-filled dance floor, it's the perfect opportunity to let loose and start building friendships that will last a lifetime.

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Academic Cohort Gatherings 1-2pm

Major(s)	Location
Accounting Business Administration Computer Science Entrepreneurship Finance Management Marketing Sport and Recreation Management	Learning Commons G01/G02
Nursing	Learning Commons 101/102
Exercise Science	Learning Commons S-005
Public Health and Wellness Exploratory Health Professions	Levin Library Classroom 201
Biology Biochemistry Environmental Science Forensic Science	Hafer Parent's Lounge
Media and Communication Arts Public Relations	Hirsch Communication Center (Hafer 1st Floor)
Criminology and Criminal Justice Criminal Justice Sociology Transformative Justice	Sports Café (Student Center 1st Floor)
Brain and Cognitive Sciences Psychology	Hafer 314
Graphic Design	Quiet Study Lounge/Shelley Keith Hooth Gallery (Student Center 2nd Floor)
Community Education Early Childhood Education Elementary Education Special Education	Hafer 202
Undeclared	Large Meeting Room (Student Center 1st Floor)
Catalyst & Compass	Bell 305

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 29th

7-8:45am **Breakfast (Marketplace)**
Head to the Marketplace at your own leisure to grab breakfast and prepare for a fun-filled day!

9am-noon **Common Read Activities (Starting in Katz Gym, Student Center)**
The morning will be focused on discussing Disability Visibility and engaging in group activities exploring its main themes of identity, sharing our stories, and creating an inclusive, welcoming, and accessible community. Please bring your copy of the book with you!

noon-1:30pm **Lunch (Marketplace)**
Refuel and recharge ahead of the afternoon!

1:45-4:30pm **Rotating Sessions**
Students will rotate through the following based on their Orientation Team. See below for session descriptions and rotation details.

Consent/Sexual Misconduct (Katz Gym, Student Center)
What makes good sexual and romantic encounters? Join us to talk about how consent can be used not only to make sure that everyone is staying safe but also to make sure everyone has an AMAZING time. Together we'll learn Curry's policies, the keys to affirmative consent, and the resources Curry has for every student.

Teams 1-4: 1:45-2:30pm
Teams 5-8: 2:45-3:30pm
Teams 9-13: 3:45-4:30pm

Navigating College Life (Keith Auditorium, AAPC)
Starting college means navigating new friendships, unfamiliar situations, and creating structure for yourself in a new environment. In this session, we'll talk about what it means to make thoughtful choices and speak up when it matters. From late-night peer pressure to awkward roommate dynamics, you'll leave with practical tools to handle tricky moments, stay grounded in your values, and build a stronger, more connected Curry community.

Teams 1-4: 2:45-3:30pm
Teams 5-8: 3:45-4:30pm
Teams 9-13: 1:45-2:30pm

Scavenger Hunt (Around Campus)
Show us how well you've gotten to know your way around campus in this fun and fast-paced scavenger hunt! First Orientation Team to find where each of the large CURRY letters have been placed around campus earns points for the Curry Cup competition!

Teams 1-4: 3:45-4:30pm
Teams 5-8: 1:45-2:30pm
Teams 9-13: 2:45-3:30pm

4:30-6:30pm **Dinner (Marketplace)**

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6pm — **Football vs. Framingham State (Katz Field)**
When you're not at dinner, join fellow students, faculty, and staff in cheering on the football team has they scrimmage against Framingham State!

8-10:30pm — **Curry Cup Competitions (Student Center)**
This is your final chance to earn points towards the Curry Cup for your Orientation Team! Put your athletic, problem-solving, and artistic skills to the test in these fun and quick competitions!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30th

9am-3pm — **Open Office Hours (Across Campus)**
Need to touch base with Student Accounts, Financial Aid, Advising & Academic Success, or the Technology Center? Their offices will be open at this time to answer questions!

10:30am-2pm — **Brunch (Marketplace)**
Sleep in and make your way to the Marketplace for brunch at your own leisure for this last day of Welcome Weekend! Meal plans start today, so don't forget to bring your Curry ID with you!

11am-12pm — **Classroom Tours (meet at Orientation Team outdoor meeting location)**
Make sure you're ready for the first week of classes by walking through the academic buildings and finding where your courses will be meeting. Bring your class schedule with you and don't forget to check it again each morning in case rooms are changed!

2-5pm — **Choose Your Own Adventure**
Use this time to continue settling into Curry and preparing for the semester to start.

Off-Campus Shuttle
Forgot to pack something or just want to explore different shopping opportunities near Curry? Shuttles will be running to University Ave and Dedham Legacy Place.

Shuttles will leave from the bus stop in front of the Student Center at the following times: 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm (picking up students to bring back to campus only).

Campus Trails- did you know there are nature trails right here on campus? Start at the tennis court parking lot and follow the trail signs!

Esports Lounge (Student Center)- check out Curry's state-of-the-art hub for all things gaming and learn more about opportunities to join competitive teams!

Fitness Center (Student Center)- check out the plethora of cardio and strength equipment to help you stay fit year-round!

4:30-6:30pm — **Dinner (Marketplace)**
Don't forget to bring your Curry ID with you!

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6:30-8pm **Start of Semester Essentials and Community Service Projects (Student Center)**
Stop by to stock up on some school essentials like notebooks, pens, highlighters, notecards, and more! Curry Cares will also be facilitating community service projects that will benefit the greater Curry and Milton community. Supplies are limited, so come early!

MONDAY, AUGUST 31st

First Day of Classes

7am **Campus Run/Walk with President Jay Gonzalez (Student Center Lawn)**
Kick off the new academic year with an early morning run/walk with Curry President Jay Gonzalez. Meet up in front of the Student Center.

WELCOME WEEKEND HOURS OF OPERATION

Bookstore
Student Center, 2nd Floor
Thursday, August 27: 9am-4pm
Friday, August 28: 9am-4pm
Saturday, August 29: 10am-3pm
Sunday, August 30: 10am-3pm

Mailroom
Student Center, 2nd Floor
Thursday, August 27: 8:30am-6pm
Friday, August 28: 8:30am-6pm
Saturday, August 29: 10am-3pm
Sunday, August 30: 10am-3pm

Esports Lounge
Student Center, 1st Floor
Thursday, August 27: Closed
Friday, August 28: Closed
Saturday, August 29: 2-10pm
Sunday, August 30: 2-10pm

Fitness Center
Student Center, 2nd Floor
Thursday, August 27: 12-10pm
Friday, August 28: 12-10pm
Saturday, August 29: 10am-10pm
Sunday, August 30: 10am-10pm

Levin Library
Thursday, August 27: 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday, August 28: 8:30am-4:30pm
Saturday, August 29: Closed
Sunday, August 30: 4-8pm

Counseling Center
1016 Brush Hill Road, 3rd Floor
Thursday, August 27: 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday, August 28: 8:30am-4:30pm
Saturday, August 29: Closed*
Sunday, August 30: Closed*

Health Center
1016 Brush Hill Road, 2nd Floor
Thursday, August 27: 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday, August 28: 8:30am-4:30pm
Saturday, August 29: Closed*
Sunday, August 30: Closed*

***Reach the counselor on call via 617-333-2908 or use TimelyCare for 24/7 selfcare, emotional, and medical support.**