

FAMILY & GUEST SCHEDULE

SETTING SAIL

DAY ONE

8 a.m.

Check In, Freeman Center Lobby

9 a.m.

Campus Welcome

Fieldhouse, Freeman Center

Your official welcome to the University outlining what is to come.

10 a.m.

Conversation About College

Ballroom, David Student Union

A session about how you can support your student's transition to college.

11:10 a.m.

Academic Panel

Ballroom, David Student Union

Our academic leadership will discuss expectations and resources available to help students succeed in the classroom and how these differ from the high school experience.

12:15 p.m.

Money Matters

Ballroom, David Student Union

The offices of Student Accounts and Financial Aid will share important information regarding aid, billing, refunds and payment options.

12:35-2 p.m.

Lunch

Regattas, David Student Union

Lunch and breakout sessions will run simultaneously. Please feel free to attend both based on the breakout sessions you would like to attend.

12:45-2:30 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Various locations

**Open to students*

12:45-1:15 p.m.

Veteran Affairs

Washington, David Student Union

Learn more about University services to support active military students and dependents.

1:45-2:30 p.m.

Athletics*

Ballroom, David Student Union

Families of students playing a varsity sport should attend this session to learn about expectations and resources for our student-athletes.

1:45-2:30 p.m.

Supporting First-Gen Students

Washington, David Student Union

If college was not part of your path, this session is designed to empower you with the tools and knowledge to support your student's CNU experience.

1:45-2:30 p.m.

Finding Community on Campus

CCE Presentation Room,

David Student Union

Hear from University leadership about how your student can find their community during their time on campus.

1:45-2:30 p.m.

Marching Captains*

Freeman 202, Freeman Center

Families of students interested in being part of Marching Captains should attend this session to learn more about requirements, expectations, etc.

2:45 p.m.

Health and Safety

Ballroom, David Student Union

This question-and-answer session will address safety and health services on campus.

3:45 p.m.

Family Reception

Second floor, David Student Union

Join us for a family social hour to meet President's Parent and Family Council members, faculty and staff.

5-7 p.m.

Dinner

Regattas, David Student Union

Dinner and breakout sessions will run simultaneously. Please feel free to attend both based on the breakout sessions you would like to attend.

Breakout Sessions

Ballroom, David Student Union

5-5:45 p.m.

President's Leadership

Program (PLP) Meeting

Please attend this session to meet the staff and learn more about PLP.

**Note this session will only occur during Session I (June 12) and Session III (June 23) for families of students in PLP.*

6-6:45 p.m.

Student Panel

Hear from a panel of current and past students on what life is like as a CNU student.

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7:30-9 a.m.

Breakfast

Regattas, David Student Union

Breakfast and breakout sessions will run simultaneously. Please feel free to attend both based on the breakout sessions you would like to attend.

8-8:45 a.m.

Breakout Sessions

Various locations, David Student Union

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Pillars to Success*

Ballroom

Hear more about the "Four Pillars to Success" for your student's time at Christopher Newport. Hear from Study Abroad, the Office of Research and Creative Activity, and the centers for Community Engagement and Career Planning about a number of co-curricular opportunities to enhance your student's educational experience.

Accessibility and Care Team Support*

Washington

Learn about the process for requesting accommodations for students with a diagnosed disability, enhanced student support and case management, and confidential support for complainants and respondents in the University's Title IX process.

9 a.m.

Campus Life

Ballroom, David Student Union

Whether your student is living in the residence halls or commuting, come learn about life on campus and how your student can get connected to the campus community.

10 a.m.

Campus Services Panel

Ballroom, David Student Union

Learn about dining services, parking on campus, purchasing textbooks, IT Services, and many more important resources.

11 a.m.

Community of Honor

Fieldhouse, Freeman Center

The Honor Code is key to campus life. Learn about our community of honor and our expectations for students to live an honorable life.

Following the Closing

Residence Hall Showrooms:

There will be a showroom available in both York River and Potomac River halls for you to see during your time on campus. These rooms will be available from 12-1:30 p.m.

Captains Card Photos

Incoming students are required to submit a photo for their student identification card by July 31, 2025. If you would like to take your photo at the conclusion of Setting Sail, the Welcome Center at the David Student Union will be open to take photos until 5 p.m.

President's Leadership Program (PLP) Students

PLP students staying for Leadership Adventure need to eat lunch before check-in. Lunch is provided for PLP students at Regattas. Guests are able to join their student for lunch at Regattas but will need to pay for lunch separately. Check-in for Leadership Adventure will begin at 2 p.m. on the first floor of the David Student Union.

Please note that there are no sessions for guests during Leadership Adventure. Student pickup at the conclusion of Leadership Adventure will be at Gaines Theatre in the Freeman Center from 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Parking will be available in Lot B, the visitor lot.

