

Welcome, Class of 2013 and transfer students!

ORIENTATION: GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH LIFE AT KENYON

You will have ample opportunity to get acquainted with academic and extracurricular life at Kenyon during Orientation, which begins on **Thursday, August 27**, and continues until the first day of classes on **Monday, August 31**. Should you have questions prior to your arrival, we encourage you to visit the Orientation Web site at www.kenyon.edu/orientation. You may also contact:

- **Academic advising**, about any matter pertaining to academics, coursework, or faculty advising. Jane Martindell, dean for academic advising and support, can be reached at 740-427-5145 or martindellj@kenyon.edu.

- **Housing and Residential Life**, about housing or any other aspect of campus or residential life. 740-427-5142 or reslife@kenyon.edu.
- **Orientation**, for any issues relating to New Student Orientation. 740-427-5760, orientation@kenyon.edu, or visit our Web site at www.kenyon.edu/orientation for the most up-to-date information.

HELPFUL INFORMATION FOR NEW KENYON STUDENTS

Arrival-day schedule

All new students and their families should plan to arrive at Kenyon on the morning of Thursday, August 27. The welcome center will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Unfortunately, we cannot allow for move-in before this date unless you are a fall sport athlete or a pre-orientation program participant.

The morning will be open, allowing time for key pickup, moving into rooms, exploring the campus, and stopping by the family hospitality area. A parent orientation session is scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

In the afternoon, there will be several activities for new students and families, such as the Opening Convocation, the president's reception, meetings with faculty advisors, and other events. Parents and other family members should plan to leave the campus no later than 5:00 p.m., at which time students will proceed to dinner with upperclass students.

A final schedule of events and times will be posted on the Orientation web site in late summer. The most up-to-date information can be found online at www.kenyon.edu/orientation.

When you travel to Kenyon

Please make plans to move into your assigned room between 8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 27. When you arrive on campus, you should proceed directly to the welcome center in Gund Commons. At the welcome center, you will pick up your Orientation packet, new student ID, and room key, as well as register your car and/or bicycle and conduct other important business.

Should your travel plans necessitate arrival in Gambier earlier than Thursday, August 27, please make your own arrangements for overnight accommodations. A listing of hotels in the area that customarily accommodate parents and guests of the College can be found on the Orientation Web site under "accommodations." The Kenyon Inn is the most convenient of the facilities listed, but the number of rooms is limited.

Students found in their rooms before this date without official College permission will be subject to College judicial action.

Airport transportation

Arrangements for ground transportation between the Columbus airport and Gambier may be made through Columbus Transportation and Tours (800-476-3004) in Columbus. The College is not able to run its own shuttle service because of legal and logistical limitations.

Shipping of personal belongings

Information for those wishing to ship belongings to Gambier will be included in the July mailing from the Office of Housing and Residential Life.

When you are on campus

Because Kenyon believes strongly in the value of residential education, all students live in College residences and eat in College dining halls. The Office of Housing and Residential Life assigns rooms and roommates using information supplied on the Housing Preference Form, which must be returned by June 1. Detailed residence hall information and your housing assignment will be mailed with your Residence Agreement in July. Residence halls open for all new students on Thursday, August 27 at 8:00 a.m.

Registration for courses

All course advising and registration for first-year and transfer students occurs during New Student Orientation, August 27-August 30, 2009. Every first-year student will be assigned a faculty advisor. However, students may begin to investigate course options and plan for the semester by visiting the registrar's Web site at <http://registrar.kenyon.edu> and utilizing the following resources:

- The online course catalog (<http://registrar/catalogs.htm>) contains information on academic policies, as well as descriptions of all courses offered at Kenyon. It also provides a link to a searchable schedule of courses that can be used in planning a tentative schedule for the fall semester.
- The online schedule of courses (<http://registrar/schedgrid.htm>) also provides a listing of classes that will be offered during the fall, including class meeting times and days, and can be sorted based on many criteria.

Post office box

Each new student will be assigned a Gambier Post Office mail box, which will be shared with another student. Notification of the box number will accompany the Residence Agreement mailed to each student in July. Government mail, including parcel post, is delivered to post office boxes for all Kenyon students.

Textbooks and supplies

Books and supplies may be purchased from the Kenyon Bookstore.

Computing and network resources

Detailed information regarding computer hardware specifications and the Kenyon computing network can be found on the Library and Information Services Web site at <http://lbis.kenyon.edu/snap/incoming>.

Scholarships and student loans

All scholarship stipends and student loans for the Class of 2013 have been awarded. The Subcommittee on Admissions and Financial Aid is unable to consider new applications.

All questions from students receiving Kenyon financial aid should be addressed to Craig Daugherty, director of financial aid, at 740-427-5430.

Student employment

A limited number of campus jobs for new students are available, assigned on a priority system based on financial need. If you are interested in obtaining a part-time campus job or work-study position, contact Lisa Jones, student employment coordinator, at 740-427-5165.

Motor vehicles

Kenyon's campus, designed for walking, has limited parking facilities. Motor vehicles are to be used for transportation to and from Gambier rather than for daily use on campus between residence halls and classes. If you own or operate a motor vehicle at the College, it must be registered (\$200 fee) with the Office of Campus Safety. A registration application is included in the New Student Forms, and must be completed by June 1 in order to receive consideration for on-campus parking. Due to limited space on campus, not all students who apply for parking will receive a permit.

Bicycles

Because Kenyon's parking spaces for automobiles and motorcycles are limited, many students use bicycles for local transportation. Bicycles, which also must be registered with the Office of Campus Safety, should be stored in the racks provided on campus (not in student rooms). Please bring a good bike lock and be sure to use it.

Telephones

A telephone with voicemail service is supplied for every residence-hall room or apartment on campus.

Cellular phone service is limited in Gambier; Verizon and AT&T/Cingular currently have service, though it is still variable in some locations on campus.

Laundry

The College provides twenty-four-hour coin-operated laundromats at ten campus locations. Kenyon does not provide a linen service, so bring your own sheets and towels or plan to purchase them in Mount Vernon after you arrive.

Banking facilities

Most Kenyon students bank with Peoples Bank of Gambier or First-Knox National Bank of Mount Vernon. Arrangements for opening all accounts may be made by mail or after you arrive. For the convenience of new students, bank personnel will be on campus on Sunday Thursday, August 27 to provide service for those who wish to open checking accounts. Both banks maintain automatic teller machines on or near campus.

Pets

For reasons of health, cleanliness, and the convenience of others, pets are not permitted at any time in Kenyon buildings, with the sole exception of fish in bowls or tanks that do not exceed ten gallons.

Athletics

The fall varsity athletic programs, which include men's and women's cross country, field hockey, football, men's and women's soccer, and women's volleyball, normally begin practice before the opening of the College. Participants will receive details from their respective coaching staffs during the summer, including the date of the physical examinations for athletic team members.

If you have questions about participating in a varsity sport or any other sports-related matter, please contact the director of physical education and athletics at 740-427-5456.

Pre-Orientation Programs

Information about the Pre-Orientation Service Program and Writing and Thinking at Kenyon was mailed to you in your acceptance packet, but can also be found online at <http://www.kenyon.edu/preorientation>. The deadline to apply is May 8, 2009.

Student Privacy and Records

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA, or the Buckley Amendment), which requires that colleges and universities protect the privacy of student records, it is Kenyon College's policy NOT to release certain information to anyone other than the student, unless the student has given us express permission to do so. This includes (but is not limited to): student grades, transcripts, discipline records, disability information, financial aid, class schedules, and other educational information and records. We strongly encourage parents and students to have an open discussion regarding personal responsibility and privacy during the college years. Should a student desire to release these records to his or her parents, it is his or her responsibility to sign an "Authorization to Release Information" form and return it (in person) to the registrar's office. More information on this policy can be found on the registrar's Web site at http://registrar/FERPA_policy.htm, and a sample form may be found on the Orientation Web site.

Campus Directory Information

The contact information for all members of the Kenyon community is available on the College's internal Web site. Federal law requires that we give you the opportunity to request that we omit your information from this directory.

If you do not wish to be included in the online directory, you must notify the Office of the Registrar, in writing, before July 1, 2009. The address is: Registrar, Stephens Hall, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio 43022.

When You Have Questions

Do not hesitate to write or call the appropriate persons at Kenyon if you need information between now and when you arrive in Gambier. During the summer months, most offices are open from 8:30 a.m. to noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Because of vacation schedules, however, not all administrators will be available at all times. If you leave messages, a College official will respond as soon as possible. You can be connected to any office by calling the College switchboard number, 740-427-5000.

Kenyon Contact Information

Academic Advising Jane Martindell Dean for Academic Advising and Support	740-427-5145 martindellj@kenyon.edu	Counseling Services	740-427-5643
Accounting Office Rhonda Crunkilton Student Accounts Manager	740-427-5178 crunkiltonr@kenyon.edu	International Education Office (Off-campus study) Marne Ausec Director of International Education	740-427-5637 ausecm@kenyon.edu
Admissions admissions@kenyon.edu	740-427-5776	Library and Information Services Paul Mollard Associate Director for Public Computing	740-427-5701 mollardp@kenyon.edu
Alumni and Parent Programs	740-427-5147	Multicultural Affairs Chris Kennerly Associate Dean of Students and Director of Multicultural Affairs	740-427-5160 kennerlyc@kenyon.edu
Athletics, Fitness, and Recreation Peter Smith, Director	740-427-5456 smithp@kenyon.edu	Orientation orientation@kenyon.edu	740-427-5760
Bookstore	740-427-5410	Printing and Mail Service	740-427-5685
Campus Safety Robert Hooper, Director	740-427-5109 hooperr@kenyon.edu	Public Affairs	740-427-5158
Career Development Center W. Stewart Peckham, Director	740-427-5165 peckhams@kenyon.edu	Registrar Ellen Harbourt	740-427-5121 harbourte@kenyon.edu
Dean of Students Office Tacci Smith, Associate Dean of Students	740-427-5136 smitht@kenyon.edu	Residential Life/Student Housing reslife@kenyon.edu	740-427-5142
Disability Services Erin Salva, Coordinator	740-427-5453 salvae@kenyon.edu	Spiritual and Religious Life Marc Bragin, Director	740-427-5228 braginm@kenyon.edu
Financial Aid Craig Daugherty Director of Financial Aid	740-427-5430 daugherty@kenyon.edu	Student Activities and Organizations student.activities@kenyon.edu	740-427-5661
Food Service (AVI)	740-427-5297	Student Employment Lisa Jones, Coordinator	740-427-5165 joneslc@kenyon.edu
Health and Counseling Center Kim Cullers Director, Nurse Practitioner	740-427-5443 cullersk@kenyon.edu		

A Note to Parents

In general, our philosophy at Kenyon is to treat students as adults. Thus, we feel that each student has the primary responsibility for the quality of his or her educational and residential experience and for meeting the College's academic and social expectations. It is the student's responsibility to initiate and maintain communication with parents or guardians. This is especially true when problems arise—for example, when circumstances may affect a student's ability to maintain good academic or social standing, to remain enrolled, or to meet the requirements for graduation.

We strive to help students fashion a rich and rewarding experience at Kenyon, one that fosters their ability to take responsibility for their own lives and their own surroundings. When you as a parent call a staff member about a concern regarding your student, please recognize that because of our commitment to encourage student responsibility and accountability, we will usually want to involve the student in the conversation. We will also want to be certain that your son or daughter has attempted to address the matter directly and thoroughly through the many resources available at the College.