

Pre-Orientation Family & Supporter Orientation

We offer two different family & supporter orientations due to some students arriving early for our Pre-Orientation programs. While the schedules look a little different, the information shared is the same so you do not need to attend them both. Therefore, if you have a student in Endeavor and/or International Orientation (moving in on Monday, August 17, 2026), you will attend the Pre-Orientation Program Family & Supporter Orientation.

Monday | August 17

Pre-Orientation Programs: Family & Supporter Reception | Queally Center and Courtyard | 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

This is time for family members and supporters of Pre-Orientation Programs students to get to know one another and enjoy appetizers and desserts! If your student is in Endeavor Pre-Orientation, you will also get a chance to meet with the Endeavor faculty members who will be with your students for the duration of the program, as well as serve as your student's academic advisors until their second year. There will be a cash bar available at this event for any interested parties.

Tuesday | August 18

Lunch | Heilman Dining Center | 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Families and Supporters will be provided with tickets for a free lunch after the reception the evening before to attend the Dining Hall with their student before saying goodbye!

Pre-Orientation Sweet Send Off | University Forum | 12:30 p.m.- 2 p.m.

Join faculty and staff to grab a sweet treat and ask any final questions you may have. For families/supporters this is where you will say your final goodbye to your student!

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Fall 2026

This is the schedule you will follow if your student is moving to campus on Wednesday, August 19, 2026. We strongly encourage attendance if you are able but it is not required that families and supporters attend these events.

Wednesday | August 19

University Welcome | Robins Center | 7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

New students, families and supporters are invited to attend the University Welcome where they will hear from President Hallock and other University leaders. This is our official kick-off to New Spider Orientation! At the end, students will leave to take part in other evening activities so you will want to say goodbye to them before the start of this event.

Thursday | August 20

Coffee and Mingle | Booker Hall of Music Lobby | 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Arrive a few minutes before sessions begin at 10am to grab coffee and get settled!

Richmond & Westhampton Deans & Student Life Panel | Booker Hall of Music, Camp Concert Hall | 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Families and supporters will meet the Deans of Richmond and Westhampton College and learn about the academic and social supports available at the University of Richmond. There will be a Q&A panel portion of this presentation involving other staff members from the University of Richmond.

Academic Welcome | Booker Hall of Music, Camp Concert Hall | 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Families and supporters will meet Provost Joan Saab and Dr. Nicole Maurantonio (Associate Provost for Academic Initiatives) about all things academic at the University of Richmond.

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