

First-Year Student Opening Weekend Guide August 23-24, 2008

Welcome to Keene State College!

We are excited that you have decided to join our community. Opening Weekend is one of the most important events of the academic year. All of us at KSC are eager to help our new students and their families in any way we can. If you need anything, just ask! Let the journey begin...

Saturday, August 23: Move-In Day for First-Year Students

(see schedule below)

Sunday, August 24: Orientation II – This day is for **all** students who have never attended college, whether you live on or off campus. June Orientation gave you the chance to get some basic information about KSC, meet some classmates, and complete your course schedule for fall semester. Orientation II (O-II) provides you with the tools to get off to a successful start at Keene State College, including information about what to do in your first weeks here.

During the Orientation II Academic Session, you will get a chance to reconnect with your Orientation Leader and students you met during June Orientation, as well as students who are interested in your area of study. You'll be assisted by a member of the Orientation staff so that you can maintain those connections. At this session, you will get the name of your Academic Advisor. Students who have indicated an educational goal will work with a Faculty Advisor in that discipline; students who are undecided will work with an Advisor from the Academic and Career Advising Center. **You must bring your fall schedule to O-II. It can be printed from your MyKSC account.**

Move-In Day Saturday, August 23

Residence Hall Check-In

9 a.m. - noon for students in odd-numbered rooms

1 - 4 p.m. for students in even-numbered rooms

Vehicles will be directed to temporary unloading zones located near the residence halls. Volunteer staff, faculty, and students will be available from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to assist with unloading. To make the move-in process safe and efficient for all students and families, we ask that you move your vehicle from the temporary unloading zone as soon as belongings are unloaded. There **must** be an open lane at all times for incoming and emergency vehicles to pass through city and campus streets. Volunteers and Campus Safety staff will direct you to the long-term lots and a shuttle will be available for return

to your student's hall. [Travel Directions to your hall](#)

Ronnie Jordan Comedy Show! 8 - 10 p.m.

Sponsored by Social Activities Council

Student Center, Mabel Brown Room (second floor)

From the very start, funny man Ronnie Jordan has proven that he's a comedy force to be reckoned with. After only a year on the comedy scene, the kid voted "Most Witty" in high school was crowned "Rookie of the Year" in 2001 by the famed Uptown Comedy Corner in Atlanta.

Orientation II

Sunday, August 24

First-Year Student Brunch, 10 - 11:10 a.m.

Zorn Dining Commons (meal plan or cash required)

Academic Session Line-up, 11:15 a.m.

Appian Way

Orientation Staff and other student leaders will guide you to your appropriate Academic Session.

Meet according to your group number (posted at your residence hall and the Student Center). It's **not** the same group number you had at June Orientation.

Academic Session, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Parker, Morrison, Rhodes Hall Classrooms

This session will help you understand some of the less obvious differences between high school and college study and how to get off to a good start during your first weeks at KSC. Faculty members will go over a typical syllabus, review academic policies and procedures, and inform you how to adjust your schedule of classes. You'll learn how to tell if you're on track in your courses and receive tips on college-level academic success. In addition, you will receive an academic planner to help you with one of the biggest challenges most new students face at college – managing your time.

First-Year Student Convocation Procession Line-up, 1:15 p.m.

College Arch at Appian Way and Main St.

You're not just attending Keene State College; you're joining an institution with a long history of scholarship, service, and stewardship. The entire class of 2012 will gather together in this festive, tradition-filled ceremony.

Classroom Tours, 2:15 - 2:45 p.m.

Meet in the Student Center Atrium

You may have toured the campus before, but this tour during opening weekend will be different. The tours will be personalized to help you learn the exact location of your classrooms. **Bring your academic schedule.** Take this opportunity to relieve a bit of first-week stress by knowing ahead of time exactly where you need to go for all of your classes. This is always one of the top-rated programs offered at O-III!

All-Student Dinner, 4 - 7:30 p.m.

Zorn Dining Commons (meal plan or cash required)