

BECOMING A *Fall Welcome 2026* MONARCH



KING'S COLLEGE
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FALL WELCOME SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All required sessions are **noted in red**.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2026

8:00-12:00 PM	RESIDENT CHECK-IN ESSEFF HALL OR HOLY CROSS HALL First-year residents move into their rooms with help from Fall Welcome assistants.
11:15-12:00 PM	COMMUTER CHECK-IN TOOLE LOBBY, CAMPUS CENTER First-year commuters pick up their Fall Welcome packets and meet fellow commuters.
11:00-12:30 PM	LUNCH KING'S COURT OR REGINA COURT, CAMPUS CENTER Lunch is provided free of charge to first-year students and their families.
12:40-1:00 PM	NEW STUDENT PROCESSION/CLASS PHOTO O'CONNOR PARK Students will gather for a class photo and meet their HCE group (find the letter on the back of your nametag). Students will then process to the President's Welcome to join their family and friends. Rain location: Auxiliary Gym.
1:15-2:00 PM	PRESIDENT'S WELCOME SCANDLON PHYSICAL EDUCATION CENTER Celebrate new experiences, friendships, and beginnings with the King's community.
2:15-2:45 PM	HCE (HOLY CROSS EXPERIENCE) 101 GROUP MEETING Make new friends! Your group leaders will be your guides throughout the program as they help familiarize you with the campus, its resources, and its activities.
2:15-3:30 PM	FAMILY AND FRIENDS RECEPTION WELCOME CENTER, JACKSON ST. All family and friends of new students are invited to attend a reception with College staff members while visiting our brand new Welcome Center.
3:00-3:45 PM	ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT Find the name of your academic advisor on the back of your name tag. Meet with them to discuss your classes and ask any questions about the semester ahead.
3:45-4:00 PM	FAMILY AND FRIENDS FAREWELL
4:00-4:45 PM	RESIDENT STUDENT MEETING ESSEFF HALL OR HOLY CROSS HALL Discover what you need to know about living in the residence halls and get to know your new neighbors.
4:00-4:45 PM	COMMUTER MEET & GREET CAMPUS CENTER LOBBY Socialize with fellow commuters and ask questions about commuting to King's. Light refreshments will be served.
5:15-6:30 PM	COOKOUT WITH THE HOLY CROSS COMMUNITY MONARCH COURT Enjoy a nice cookout while meeting members of the Holy Cross Community.
6:30-8:15 PM	LIVE BAND + ICE CREAM Hang out in O'Connor Park after the cookout for live music and ice cream.
8:15-9:15 PM	TOM VARANO, SPEED PAINTER MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING An unforgettable live experience that combines speed painting, powerful storytelling, and an inspirational message to motivate students. <i>First 100 students in attendance receive a FREE t-shirt!</i>
9:30 – 10:30 PM	TRIVIA MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Join a team or play as an individual for a fun night of trivia. Gift card prizes!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2026

7:30-9:00 AM	BREAKFAST KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL	
9:00-4:00 PM	FOLLOW SCHEDULE FOR HCE GROUP LETTER ON YOUR NAMETAG	
	HCE A-F	HCE G-K
9:00-10:00 AM	DIVERSITY/INCLUSION	9:00-11:00 AM CITYSERVE
10:00-12:00 PM	CITYSERVE	11:00-12:00 PM DIVERSITY/INCLUSION
12:15-1:30 PM	Lunch, King's Court	12:15-1:20 PM Lunch, King's Court
1:40-2:30 PM	HCE 101 INTRODUCTION	1:30-2:20 PM HCE 101 INTRODUCTION
2:40-3:10 PM	CAMPUS SAFETY	2:30-3:15 PM WELLNESS
3:15-4:00 PM	WELLNESS	3:30-4:00 PM CAMPUS SAFETY
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4:00-4:30 PM	CLASS OF 2030 PRAYER SERVICE CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE KING Reflect on your day's experience and join Campus Ministry in prayer for your fellow students. The Red and Gold books which all new students receive will be blessed at this prayer service.	
4:45-6:15 PM	DINNER KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL	
7:30-8:45 PM	MAGICIAN RHAN'D SHINE MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Prepare to be amazed by this famous magician. Audience participation makes the show a hit!	
9:00-10:00 PM	BINGO NIGHT MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Join your classmates for a night of bingo and win prizes like gift cards and King's swag!	
10:00 PM	FREE PIZZA MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Hang out after the show and enjoy free pizza.	

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 2026

8:15-9:15 AM	BREAKFAST KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL	
9:30-10:30 AM	HCE A-L - ZERO SHADES OF GRAY CAMPUS CENTER 3FL HCE M-Z - BREATHE NOLAN BREATHE BURKE AUDITORIUM, MCGOWAN	
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12:00-1:00 PM	LUNCH KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL	
2:00-4:00 PM	CAMPUS SCAVENGER HUNT MONARCH COURT Join your classmates for a campus scavenger hunt and yard games like corn hole, can jam, and more. Prizes will be awarded! Enjoy various flavors of Rita's Italian Ice.	
5:30-6:45 PM	DINNER KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL	
7:30-8:30 PM	CAUSING A SCENE MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Sit back and laugh as the King's Players present an evening of improv comedy. Audience participation is encouraged and helps to keep the show entertaining.	
8:45-10:00 PM	KARAOKE MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMIN BUILDING Sign-up to sing your favorite song. Top 3 performers win King's Cash!	

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026

10:30-11:30 AM	SUNDAY MASS CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE KING All are welcome to celebrate Sunday Mass with members of the King's and local community.
11:00 AM-1:30 PM	BRUNCH KING'S COURT, CAMPUS CENTER 2FL Enjoy brunch with your fellow classmates for the last time before the meal plans start.
12:00-2:00 PM	CLASSROOM TOURS, CAMPUS ACTIVITIES OFFICE Bring your fall class schedule and Fall Welcome staff will show you the classroom buildings and the best way to find your classrooms.
8:00-9:00 PM	SUNDAY STUDENT MASS CHAPEL OF CHRIST THE KING On this first Sunday of your college experience, we encourage you to join your new classmates and other members of the King's community at this evening Mass which is focused on our King's students. Experience the joy and power of praying together as you enter the King's community!

FREE MEALS

Lunch on Thursday, August 20, is free for new students and families. All other meals during Fall Welcome are free for first-year students with their King's ID and Fall Welcome name tag. Meal plans begin Sunday evening at dinner using your King's ID.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

CITYSERVE | MONARCH COURT

HCE groups go on an interactive walking tour to learn about volunteer opportunities and nonprofits in the neighborhood surrounding King's. Put on your walking shoes and meet new classmates while exploring ways to be an impactful part of a caring community. *Any students with mobility issues can contact their HCE co-leader for assistance or other ways to participate.*

WELLNESS | MAFFEI THEATRE, ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Wellness is about achieving optimal vitality and not just avoiding sickness. This session will touch on pillars of wellness: physical, nutritional, emotional, social, spiritual, intellectual, financial, and environmental.

CAMPUS SAFETY | BURKE AUDITORIUM, MCGOWAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

Students will learn about safety on our campus and in the surrounding area. The presentation will review our Campus Shield app and security measures to be aware of as you begin your college experience.

HCE 101 INTRODUCTION | CLASSROOM ON NAMETAG

HCE 101 is a one-credit course scheduled for all new students during the first semester. The instructor and student co-leader will review the course content and requirements prior to your first meeting.

DIVERSITY/INCLUSION | CAMPUS CENTER 3FL

In this interactive activity, students will face unexpected challenges that encourage them to think critically, adapt, and collaborate with others. Through the experience, participants will explore different perspectives and strengthen the skills needed to connect across differences.

ZERO SHADES OF GRAY | CAMPUS CENTER 3FL

Zero Shades Of Gray sets the tone that sexual assault is black and white. There are no disclaimers, no clauses, and no fine print when it comes to how people feel about being sexually assaulted or raped. This program combines education and empowerment for Title IX compliance and sexual assault prevention. Let's change behaviors by shifting perceptions: assault is not a women's issue, or a men's issue, it's a human issue.

BREATHE NOLAN BREATHE | BURKE AUD., MCGOWAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

A documentary born from tragedy but inspired a national safety campaign. This film opens an honest dialogue and educates young adults to ensure preventable situations like this never happen again.

FALL WELCOME WEEKEND OFFICE HOURS

MONARCH OUTFITTERS & BOOKS 149 N. Main Street	Saturday, August 23: 10 AM - 2 PM Sunday, August 24: 10 AM - 2 PM
BUSINESS OFFICE Administration Building, IFL, Room 120	Saturday, August 23: 12 PM - 3 PM Sunday, August 24: 12 PM - 3 PM
OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID Administration Building, IFL, Room 108	Saturday, August 23: 12 PM - 3 PM Sunday, August 24: closed
OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE Campus Center, IFL, Room 100	Saturday, August 23: 9 AM - 3 PM Sunday, August 24: 9 AM - 3 PM
CAMPUS SAFETY AND SECURITY Ryan Hall, IFL, Room 107-108	Saturday, August 23: 9 AM - 3 PM Sunday, August 24: 9 AM - 3 PM

FALL 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The following dates may help you plan for fall holidays and events with family and friends.

AUG. 24	All day and evening classes begin
AUG. 25	Convocation Mass of the Holy Spirit (check email for compressed schedule)
SEPT. 2	Involvement Fair
SEPT. 7	Labor Day – Offices closed, no classes
SEPT. 9	Volunteer Fair
SEPT. 25-27	Homecoming and Family Weekend
OCT. 8-11	Fall Break - Residence Halls close at 6 PM on Oct. 7
OCT. 19	Meetings begin with academic advisors for spring semester
OCT. 30	Last day to withdraw from a class
NOV. 2	Registration begins for spring semester
NOV. 25-29	Thanksgiving Break - Residence Halls close at 6 PM on Nov. 24
DEC. 7-11	Final exams / end of semester. Residence Halls close at 6 PM on Dec. 11

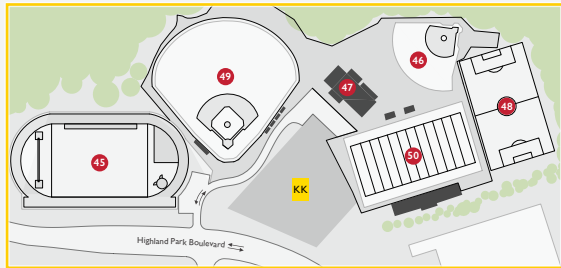
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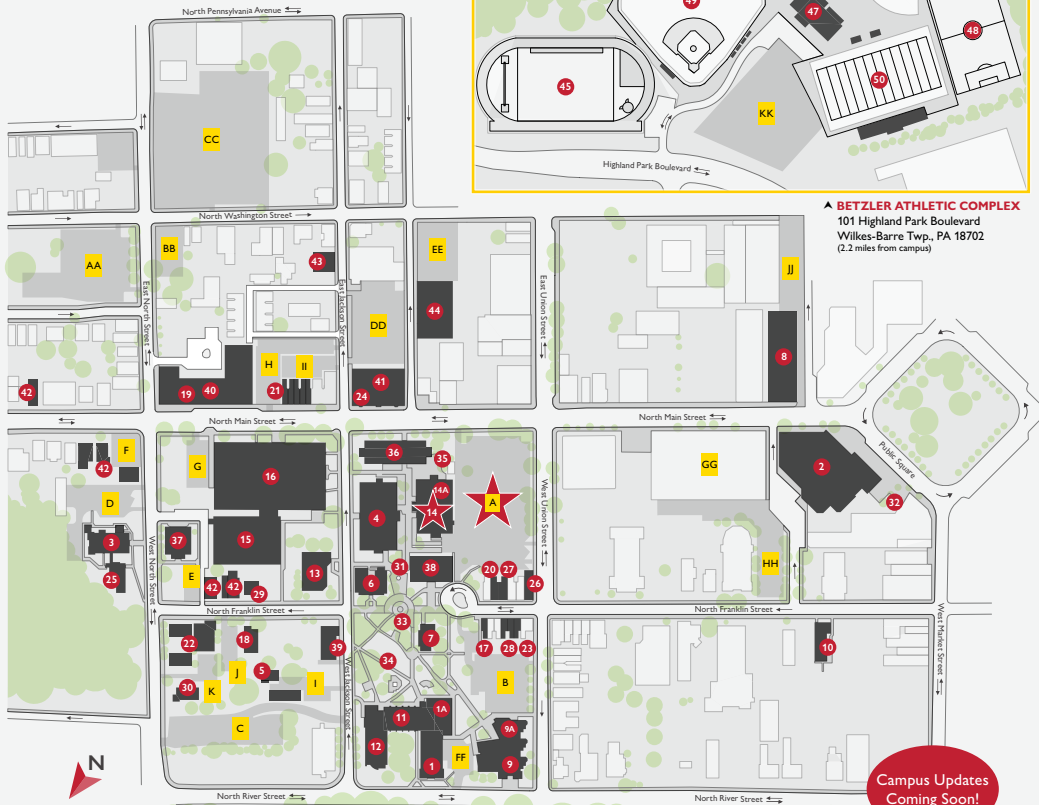


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101 Highland Park Boulevard
Wilkes-Barre Twp., PA 18702
(2.2 miles from campus)



Campus Updates
Coming Soon!

GENERAL BUILDINGS

- Administration Building
- 1A. Maffei Theatre (IFL)
- Alley Center for Health Sciences
- Chapel of Christ the King
- Corgan Library
- Environmental Building
- Haley-Marian Hall
- Hessel Hall – Office of Admission
- Kowalski Center for Advanced Healthcare
- McGowan School of Business
- 9A. Burke Auditorium (IFL)
- Mulligan Center for Engineering
- Mulligan Physical Sciences Center
- Parente Life Sciences Center
- Posatko-Maffei Welcome and Arts Center
- ★ 14. Sheehy-Farmer Campus Center
- 14A. Widmann Gallery (IFL)
- Scandion Auxiliary Gym
- Scandion Physical Education Center

OFFICES AND CENTERS

- Athletic Recruitment Center
- Campus Ministry Center
- Center for Experiential Learning
- Early Learning Center (IFL)
- Hispanic and Latino Excellence Center
- Molewski-Edwards Student Success Center

21. Monarch Outfitters & Books
22. Moreau Court
23. Office of Alumni Engagement
24. Office of Campus Safety and Security
25. Office of Graduate/International Admission
26. Office of Human Resources
27. Office of Student Affairs
28. ROTC Office
29. Shoval Center for Community Engagement
30. Student Health Center (André Hall)

OUTDOOR SPACES

31. Holy Cross Court
32. Miner's Memorial
33. Monarch Court
34. O'Connor Park
35. Regina Court

RESIDENCES

37. Alley Center
36. Esseff Hall
37. Flood Hall
38. Holy Cross Hall

39. Luksic Hall
40. O'Hara Hall
41. Ryan Hall
42. Employee Housing

DINING

2. Chick-fil-A (GFL)
14. Connerton's (GFL)
41. King's Court (ZFL)
1. Susquehanna Place (GFL)

FACILITIES

43. Grounds Garage
44. Warehouse

BETZLER ATHLETIC COMPLEX

45. Betzler Outdoor Track
46. Betzler Softball Field
47. John J. Dorish Field House
48. Leffler Soccer-Lacrosse Field
49. Lipo Baseball Field
50. McCarthy Stadium

PARKING

- ★ A. Holy Cross Lot (Guest/Employee)
- B. McGowan Lot (Guest/Employee)
- C. Upper Courthouse Lot (Employee)
- D. Church Lot (Guest)
- E. North Franklin St. Lot (Employee)
- F. Flood Lot (Resident)
- G. Scandion Gym Lot (Employee)
- H. O'Hara Hall Lot (Employee)
- I. West Jackson St. Lot (Employee)
- J. C.S.C. Front Lot (Employee)
- K. C.S.C. Back Lot (Employee)
- AA. North Street Lot (Commuter)
- BB. Miners' Lot (Commuter)
- CC. North Washington St. Lot (Resident/Commuter)
- DD. Ryan Hall Lot (Resident)
- EE. Warehouse Lot (Employee)
- FF. Administration Building Lot (Executive/Guest)
- GG. Alley Center Parkade (Resident/Commuter)
- HH. Alley Center Rear Lot (Employee)
- II. Bookstore Lot (Employee)
- JJ. Kowalski Center Lot
- KK. McCarthy Stadium Lot