



Fall 2026 New Student Orientation

The Fall 2026 New Student Orientation assists new students as they begin their experience at ACPHS. Our friendly and informed Orientation Committee, made up of professional staff and student leaders, will provide the guidance and support students need to make a successful transition into life at ACPHS.

This Orientation is for both incoming first-year students and undergraduate transfer students.

All incoming students are **required to attend Orientation.**

Questions? Contact Orientation@acphs.edu

Thursday, August 20, 2026

Time and Location	Event
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. South Hall	New Student Move In Welcome to ACPHS! Please head to South Hall to start moving into your new space! Don't forget to check into Orientation in the Gozzo Student Center after you finish moving in.
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Student Center Atrium	Orientation Check In Stop by Orientation check in for all your materials and signature ACPHS Orientation swag! All students are required to check in for Orientation.
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	New Commuter Students Arrive New Commuter Students are invited to arrive anytime between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. When you arrive on campus, please follow the signs labeled "Commuter Parking" to park in parking lot C, next to the Gozzo Student Center. Then head inside the Student Center to check in!
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Dining Hall	The Great Big Family Bite Join us for a Family and Friends eat around the world food spread in the ACPHS Dining Hall.
2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Student Center 202	Fall 2026 Orientation Kick Off Join Interim President Shaftel in our Student Center lecture hall to kick off Fall 2026 Orientation!
2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Panther's Den	*ACPHS Students* Meet Your Orientation Group Connect with your Orientation group and get to know each other! The Orientation team will join you after the Kickoff to take you to your group meeting locations.
2:30- 3:30 p.m. Student Center 201/202	*ACPHS Family Members* Parent Information Panel Your student is officially an ACPHS student – join this session to ask all of the questions you still want to know about!
3:30 – 4:00p.m. Panthers Den	*ACPHS Family Members* Parent Connections Gather with other ACPHS parents for refreshments and conversation.
3:30 – 4:00 p.m. ACPHS Gym	Class Photo Gather for your first photo as a class!

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Campus Green	Family Farewell Say “see you later” to your family and friends before continuing Orientation.
4:30 – 5:00 p.m. SC 201/202	Reconnect with Your Orientation Group After saying “See you later” to your family and friends, connect with your Orientation group and head to the next scheduled event.
5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Student Center 201/202	Staying Safe on Campus Join Director of Public Safety, Bob Sears to learn about all that Public Safety provides and Amanda Bastiani, Title IX Coordinator, to discuss important resources and helpful information for keeping yourself safe while on campus!
5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Various Locations	Living on Campus 101 Resident students, meet your RA and other students on your floor. Each group will be assigned a different location to meet around the student center. This session is required for all Residential Students.
5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Panther’s Den	Commuting 101 Commuter students, meet with our commuting OLs for info on commuting at ACPHS. This session is required for all Commuter Students.
6:15– 7:15 p.m. Dining Hall	Dinner with Your Orientation Group Head to dinner with your Orientation Group.
7:30 p.m. ACPHS Gym	Trivia Take Off Head to the Gymnasium with your orientation group for an evening of trivia with snacks and prizes for the winning group!

Friday, August 21, 2026

Time and Location	Event
8:30 a.m. Dining Hall	Breakfast Grab a bite to eat from the Dining Hall before the day begins.
9:15 a.m. Dining Hall	Gather with your Orientation Groups
9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Student Center 201/202	Creating a Safer Campus Together: Title IX Bystander Intervention Meet Nicole Consiglio, Community Educator as she goes over creating a safe and respectful campus as it starts with all of us.
10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Student Center 201/202	ACPHS Office of Counseling and Wellness Join the Office of Counseling and Wellness as they provide information on the many resources and services available to help you succeed at ACPHS.
10:30 – 10:50 a.m. Student Center 201/202	Health Services Join Tawana Davis, Dean of Wellness at Russell Sage as she gives an overview of what Health Services are available to you through the Sage Health Center.
10:50 – 11:10 a.m. Student Center 201/202	Library Services at ACPHS Lisa Shaffer from the ACPHS Library will share what services are available through the ACPHS Library.
11:10 a.m.	Walk to HAB Join your Orientation Leader group and head over to HAB.
11:30 – 12:30 p.m.	Program Advising Session

HAB Rooms	Join the Center for Student Success and your Program Director and Faculty to learn about services offered through CSS and important information regarding your academic program.
12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Dining Hall	Lunch Join your program directors and faculty for lunch.
1:30 – 2:00 p.m. Student Center 202	Fire Safety on Campus Learn about fire safety and the steps you can take to keep you and your peers safe on campus.
2:00 – 3:00 p.m. Student Center 202	A Shot of Reality Through comedy, multimedia, and practical advice, students learn to make values-based choices about alcohol. Students will leave this session equipped with safe practices to make healthier choices and reduce high-risk drinking.
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Campus Connections Use this hour to stop by any offices on campus, take a campus tour or run back to your room for a quick break!
4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Student Center 202	OL Group Tie Dye Start prepping for Saturday's Panther Games with some tie dye and fun in the sun!
5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Dining Hall	Dinner Connect with your Orientation Group for dinner in the dining hall.
7:00 p.m. Gozzo Student Center	Casino Night Join us for this fun event where you'll have the opportunity to win college essentials and other fun prizes!

Saturday, August 22, 2026

Time and Location	Event
9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Dining Hall	Breakfast The Dining Hall will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for breakfast. To order, use the Boost mobile app.
10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Dining Hall	Connect with your Orientation Group Connect with your Orientation Group before heading to your first session.
10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Student Center 202	Creating an Inclusive Community at ACPHS This session will provide students with a brief overview of what Diversity Equity and Inclusion is, as well as an introduction to the ACPHS Diversity, Equity, Inclusion office.
11:30 – 12:00 p.m. Student Center 202	Getting Involved at ACPHS Hear from ACPHS student leaders who explain the ins and outs of how to spend your time on the ACPHS campus.
12:00- 1:00 p.m. Dining Hall	Lunch Head to the ACPHS Dining Hall for lunch with your Orientation group.
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Small Group Debrief

Student Center 202	Join your Orientation Leaders and fellow new students to reflect on what you've learned so far, ask questions, and connect with your peers.
1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Student Center 202	Choose Your Own Adventure Join our orientation leaders for a variety of different activities around campus!
3:00 p.m. Campus Green	Meet with Your Orientation Group Meet with your orientation group on Campus Green. Then, as a group, head to SC 202 for the start of Panther Games!
3:30 p.m. Student Center 202	The 2026 Panther Games An ACPHS Orientation tradition, the Panther Games put your skills to the test! With your team, compete in these Olympic-style games to be crowned the Fall 2026 Panther Games winners!
5:30 p.m. Russell Sage Armory	Campus Cookout Head over to the Russell Sage Armory for a new student BBQ with the new Russell Sage students!
7:00 p.m. Russell Sage KCC Quad	Foam & Friends Join your orientation team in heading over to the KCC Quad at Sage where a fun foam party awaits! Check out the variety of dessert food trucks we have brought and make new friends as we get ready for a great academic year!

Sunday, August 23, 2026

Time and Location	Event
9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Dining Hall	The Dining Hall will be open from 9:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for breakfast, lunch and dinner. To order, use the Boost mobile app.
11:00 a.m. - Noon Student Center Patio	Get to Know Your New Friends S'more! Join our Residence Life team for some s'mores while getting to know your peers.
1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Panther's Den	Meet and Greet with SGA Get to know our Student Government Association Executive Board and learn about the leadership roles available to you as a new ACPHS student.
2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Student Center Patio	Get the Scoop with the Peer Mentors Join the 202-2027 ACPHS Peer Mentor Program and learn what it means to opt-in for a Peer Mentor. Get the scoop on all things ACPHS while eating delicious ice cream.