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IMPORTANT DATES

Currently Available

CSU Bookstore website live for Fall
www.csuohiobookstore.com
 Parking hangtags available for purchase on CampusNet

Tuition bills posted on CampusNet and mailed to students

First Week of August

Sign up for Budget Payment Plan (optional)

August 7

U-Pass stickers available at Cashier's Office

August 22 & 23

Class Schedule Tours
All new students invited to find class locations w/ the help of Orientation Leaders

August 22

First Saturday Fall semester class

August 22

Residence hall move-in for first-year students

August 23

Residence hall move-in for upper class students

August 23

New Student Convocation
All new Freshmen students and parents invited

August 24

First weekday Fall semester class

First Three Weeks of the Semester

Weeks of Welcome

August 28

Last day to add a class (by 8 p.m.)

September 4

Last day to drop a class (by 8 p.m.)

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Welcome to the Back-to-School Edition of the Parent Connection E-Newsletter!

With summer almost over, we are anxiously awaiting the arrival of your student at Cleveland State for the Fall semester. The beginning of each academic year brings a feeling of energy and excitement to the campus as students meet new friends, connect with old friends, and begin a new year on their academic journey.

The next edition of the Parent Connection will hit your inboxes during the middle of the Fall semester. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact us. Also, for a list of things to do prior to the start of classes, we encourage you to visit our New Vikings website at www.csuohio.edu/newvikings.

Best wishes for a great semester!

Abbey Shiban
 Manager,
 Orientation and Family Services

Extended Office Hours for the Beginning of the Semester

	WEEK BEFORE CLASSES			FIRST WEEK OF CLASSES		
	MON TO THURS, AUG. 17 - 20	FRIDAY, AUG. 21	SATURDAY, AUG. 22	SUNDAY, AUG. 23	MON TO THURS, AUG. 24 - 27	FRIDAY, AUG. 28
CAMPUS411	8 am-6 pm	9 am-5 pm	9 am-2 pm	Closed	8 am-6 pm	9 am-5 pm
RESIDENCE LIFE	8 am-6 pm	8 am-5 pm	9 am-4 pm	11 am-4 pm	8 am-6 pm	8 am-5 pm
PARKING	8 am-5 pm	8 am-5 pm	8 am-2 pm	Closed	8 am-8 pm; Thurs: 8 am-6 pm	8 am-6 pm
BOOKSTORE	9 am-7 pm	9 am-6 pm	7:30 am-6 pm	11 am-5 pm	7:30 am-8 pm	7:30 am-6 pm
CASHIER'S	8 am-6 pm	8 am-5 pm	9 am-4 pm	11 am-4 pm	8 am-6 pm	8 am-5 pm

Additional Information

Parking: Online registration through CampusNet is available now through the end of Fall 2009 term. A permit ordered online on or before August 18 will be mailed to the student's selected home address. Permits ordered online

after August 18 can be picked up at the Parking Services Office. An express service for permits ordered online will be located in the Parking Services tent located in CSU Lot I (adjacent to Parking Services office) from Monday, August 24 through Wednesday, August 26 from 8 am to 5 pm.

U-Pass: Students can pick up their U-Pass sticker (RTA bus pass) at the Cashier's Office starting August 7, as long as the student has paid the bill in full or signed up for a budget payment plan.

Campus411

Campus411 is a one-stop service center that can assist you with any questions regarding your admission, academic record, financial aid, registration, and student account. Our mission is to provide a centralized location where

the University community is effectively and efficiently served, resolve issues in support of educational goals, and empower students to manage their academic life. Please feel free to stop by our office and we will be

happy to assist you! You can reach us by calling 216.687.5411 or visit us in Main Classroom, room 116. More information is available online at www.csuohio.edu/enrollmentservices/campus411.

Cleveland State University Will Hold Tuition at Current Rates

Trustees also agree to create bridge scholarships for students impacted by reduction of Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG) program funds

The Cleveland State University Board of Trustees has agreed to **not increase tuition** for the Fall 2009 semester that begins August 22. Recognizing the extreme financial hardship many citizens of Ohio are facing, the University will hold tuition constant.

Raising tuition was a consideration, as drastically reduced revenue from taxes and other income sources has forced the state to trim \$170 million from the subsidy of four-year colleges and

universities and to reduce Ohio College Opportunity Grant (OCOG) funding, which provides financial aid to the most financially at-risk students. In anticipation of the state's 2010-2011 budget, CSU had already cut more than \$8.5 million from its operating budget during fiscal year 2009.

The Board also agreed on a plan to fund President's Opportunity Awards for all eligible first-time, full-time CSU freshmen who will be impacted by the OCOG cuts and to search for revenue to help the continuing students who are impacted.

Cleveland State remains among the most affordable universities in Ohio; tuition at CSU has been frozen at

its 2006 rates. Continuing this Fall, tuition for full-time **undergraduate** Ohio-resident students will remain \$7,920 for the academic year or \$3,960 per semester. Fall tuition for full-time graduate students is \$11,420.50 for the academic year or \$5,710.25 per semester. Fall tuition for full-time law students is \$16,477.50 for the academic year or \$8,238.75 per semester.

Freshmen Students and Family Members: New Student Convocation

Developing a sense of belonging and a feeling of community is so important in the lives of college students. At CSU, we provide our students with so many opportunities to get connected from Day 1. As a matter of fact, we start before Day 1 with **New Student Convocation**.

On the Sunday before Fall semester classes begin, Cleveland State rolls out the red carpet for our freshmen students and their family members with New Student Convocation. Your student, along with the entire Class of 2013, will be greeted by our new President, Dr. Ronald Berkman, the Colleges' Deans and Vice Presidents, and faculty and staff. Students will be introduced by name, officially "pinned" and inducted into the Viking Community, and introduced to the tradition and history that have created our welcoming and widely recognized institution.

Please join us for New Student Convocation on Sunday, August 23, 2009 in Waetjen Auditorium at the Music and Communication Building, located at the corner of East 21st Street and Euclid Avenue. Pre-ceremony entertainment begins at 2 pm, the ceremony begins at 3 pm and the reception immediately following is at 4 pm. Free parking will be available in the CG Lot (formerly known as PF Lot) off of East 21st Street, just north of the Music and Communication Building.

RSVP online at www.csuohio.edu/studentlife/convocation or call 216.687.2048 before August 21. We'll see you and your student on August 23!



WOW: Weeks of Welcome

August 20 – September 10



There are a couple of reasons — 70 to be exact — why the first few weeks of Fall classes at CSU make students want to say “WOW!” We’ve got an amazing schedule of 70 events that we call “Weeks of Welcome,” where your student can learn, discover and grow as an active member of the Cleveland State community. Barbeques, poster sessions, welcome fairs, ice cream socials, recreational events, and plenty of entertainment have been planned for your student.

Encourage your students to spend their first few weeks discovering all the wonderful people and programs that make Cleveland State an “engaging” campus. Go online at www.csuohio.edu/WOW to review the fun, including:

New Student Convocation: Sunday, August 23 at 3 pm. RSVP at www.csuohio.edu/studentlife/convocation.

Bingo for Books: Monday, August 24, 1-3 pm (\$2000 in bookstore gift cards!)

WOW BBQ (Campus Activities Board): Wednesday, August 26, 11 am-2 pm

Rockin’ the Rec: Monday, August 31, 8-11 pm

For more information, contact the Department of Student Life at 216.687.2048.

By getting engaged in campus life at CSU, students will build a support system of peers, staff and faculty to improve the quality of their University experience. We have one common goal, to help your student graduate and succeed. WOW is the beginning of that journey and we appreciate your support of these kick-off events. Thank you for supporting your new Viking student!

CSU Installs Prototype Wind Tower

On May 12, 2009, Cleveland State University hoisted its first wind tower amplification system to the rooftop of its Plant Services Building, located at the corner of Chester Ave. and E. 24th Street.

Made possible by a generous contribution from Betty L. Gordon and grants from the State of Ohio and the U.S. Department of Energy, the wind tower amplification system is a physical manifestation of the Fenn College of Engineering’s cutting-edge research efforts involving alternative energy sources such as solar, wind, fuel cells and nuclear.

The system, designed by Dr. Majid Rashidi, is a wind deflecting structure with small-scale turbines that can generate power at low wind speeds.

Prominently displayed, the 25-foot in diameter cylinder -- adorned with the CSU logo -- sits on a 30-foot tall base. Four turbines, six feet in diameter, are anchored to two arms that rotate as the wind direction changes. A standalone turbine is also in place and is used as a control to measure the difference in power capacity of the traditional turbine versus Dr. Rashidi’s system.

The patented wind amplification turbine system, developed as a cost-effective alternative to traditional power sources, is available for commercial use and plans are currently underway for additional systems to be installed in downtown Cleveland and rural areas of Northeast Ohio.



CSU Identifies Centers of Excellence Focused on Health and Sustainable Communities

Cleveland State University has identified and submitted to the Ohio Board of Regents three Centers of Excellence, developed in response to the University System of Ohio Strategic Plan for Higher Education, which required all institutions to identify their distinctive strengths within the University System.

“Our Centers were identified after broad-based faculty, academic, and administrative participation, discussion, and forums. The University’s Board of Trustees and its Academic Affairs Committee have carefully reviewed and discussed these Centers of Excellence and endorse them as CSU’s signature academic strengths,” said CSU Provost Mary Jane Saunders.

“Our Centers of Excellence respond directly to the state’s economic priorities and societal needs, will advance the state’s economic prosperity and quality of life, and provide strong mission differentiation for CSU within the University System of Ohio.”

Under the Signature Themes of Health and Sustainable Communities, the three Cleveland State University Centers of Excellence are:

THE CENTER FOR GENE REGULATION IN HEALTH AND DISEASE

The Center for Gene Regulation in Health and Disease focuses on exploring the genetic and molecular causes, prevention, and treatment of disease. The research being conducted by the Center’s academically outstanding and nationally funded staff has significant potential to improve the understanding of the mechanisms and specific molecules that control reproductive health and the aging process, as well as implications for the diagnosis and treatment of many of the most common diseases, including cardiovascular disease, neurological disease, infectious disease, and cancer.

THE CENTER FOR 21ST CENTURY HEALTH PROFESSIONS

The Center for 21st Century Health Professions is a formal structuring of work that has been going on at CSU for decades – preparing high-quality health care and bioscience industry professionals for Northeast Ohio to ensure excellent care for its citizens. CSU is unique in its number of programs that are unavailable elsewhere in the region, and is marked by its focus on primary medical care and reducing health disparities, and on promoting health care efficiencies. The Center has an established pipeline of students from high school to practice and “second career” nursing students.

THE NEXT GENERATION ECONOMY CENTER

The Next Generation Economy Center combines the engaged scholarship and reflective practice of economic development public policy, business development and entrepreneurship. It exists to foster a competitive economic climate in the State and improve entrepreneurship and business development by providing national thought leadership on the connections between business strategy and management, and the economics of regional development.

CSU’s established expertise in economic development policy formation and evaluation has made it a model of interdisciplinary teamwork within and outside the University. The Center’s aim is to improve Ohio’s economic climate, change the entrepreneurial climate of Northeast Ohio, and educate the people who will generate the new economy.