

## Weekend Notes

### Campus COVID-19 Expectations

We invite those who wish to continue using protective face coverings or masks to feel free to do so. Your comfort and protection are paramount to us. You may be asked to wear a mask while interviewing or meeting with a faculty or staff member. In the event that you and your guests are asked to don masks for a specific indoor session, we will provide you with disposable ones. As you know, the circumstances surrounding Novel Coronavirus are fluid and we may need to alter the activities of this event at the last minute. Please know of our desire to provide the most complete visit possible.

### Transportation to and from Campus

The Office of Admission has arranged airport transportation for students traveling alone through 5 Guys Transportation. Your check-in packet includes the departure time for your return trip to the airport, which will depart from the Haverty Center. It is critical that you are aware of and adhere to the departure times and locations from campus. If you have any questions or are delayed, please call Assistant Director of Admission Will Schmitz at 913-360-0288.

### Luggage Storage

You may securely store your luggage in the Murphy Recreation Center on Friday until you meet your overnight host. Please return your luggage to your vehicle on Saturday morning. If you are traveling alone, you may securely store your luggage in the Murphy Recreation Center until after the Scholars Luncheon. All luggage must be claimed by 3:00 PM on Saturday.

### Student Overnight Accommodations

Students who have requested to stay overnight in a residence hall may meet their overnight hosts in the Murphy Recreation Center Gym at 8:00 PM on Friday evening. Due to the unpredictable nature of COVID and related quarantine requirements, there is a possibility that your overnight host or backup host may become unavailable at the last minute. Students travelling with a parent should be sure to have a backup plan to stay overnight with the parent in case your overnight host or backup becomes unavailable. If you have any questions, please call Assistant Director of Admission Joe Kuckelman at 913-360-0091.

### Campus Security

You can reach campus security at 913.360.8888 if you have an emergency, are locked out of your vehicle, or need a jump start.

### Parking

Feel free to park in any parking area on campus.

### Music Auditions

Students scheduled for a music audition need to check in between 11:00 – 11:45 AM, Friday, February 11, in the Murphy Recreation Center. Auditions are only available on Friday. Students will receive their audition time and location at check-in.

### Meals

All meals for students and guests are complimentary. Meal tickets will be provided at check-in for lunch in the Dining Hall on Friday. Meal tickets are not required for the Presidential Scholars Dinner on Friday, the continental breakfast served Saturday, or the Presidential Scholars Luncheon served in the Dining Hall at the conclusion of Saturday's event.

### Student Attire for Saturday

Students should wear professional attire: dresses, skirts, dress slacks, blouses, sweaters for women; slacks, khakis, jackets, ties, sweaters for men. Wear comfortable walking shoes.

### Parents and Guests

Join the Benedictine College Parent Association for a coffee reception on Friday evening. See page 4 for details. Parents and guests are also invited to join us for the welcome breakfast on Saturday. Following breakfast, students will begin the competition and parents will enjoy a variety of presentations geared especially for parents and guests. Tours and Mass will be available, and the Raven Store and Holy Grounds will be open throughout the weekend.

### Results

We intend to announce the results of the competition within four weeks. Students will receive both a phone call and a letter informing them of the results.

### Candle in Grotto

The Benedictine College community is praying for all student scholars this weekend; a candle has been lit in Mary's Grotto for students' intentions. You are invited to stop by the Grotto at any time during the weekend if you need a quiet place to sit and pray.

### Weekend Masses at St. Benedict's Abbey

#### Friday, February 11

12:10 PM; 5:30 PM

#### Saturday, February 12

8:00 AM; 4:00 PM (Vigil for Sunday)

#### Sunday, February 13

8:00 AM (Extraordinary Form);  
10:00 AM; 8:00 PM

## Visit Day

Students and families are welcome to participate in all available activities, unless otherwise noted. Student participants who have signed up for a music audition or who are attending the Homeschool Student Lunch are asked to check in between 11:00–11:30 AM. All other participants may begin their check-in at noon.

## Day Schedule

11:00 AM

**Check-in (Music Auditions and Homeschool Lunch only)**

Murphy Recreation Center

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM

**Lunch is Available**

Dining Hall

11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

**Homeschool Student Lunch**

Dining Hall

11:45 AM

**Music Audition Overview**

Murphy Recreation Center

**Music Auditions**Bishop Fink Hall and  
St. John Paul II Student Center

12:00 PM

**Check-in (Non-music)**

Murphy Recreation Center

12:10 PM

**Mass (Optional)**

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

12:45 PM

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Murphy Recreation Center

1:00 PM

**Walking Tour of Campus**Depart from the Murphy  
Recreation Center

2:00 PM

**Alternative Walking Tour of Campus**Depart from the Murphy  
Recreation Center

2:15 PM

**Academic Overview**

Murphy Recreation Center

3:00 PM

**Community, Faith, and Scholarship**

Murphy Recreation Center

4:00 PM

**Academic Open House**

Locations on page 5

5:00 PM

**Meet your Admission Counselor**Locations on page 10  
This is a brief opportunity to introduce yourself to your admission counselor and ask questions. No formal session will be held.

## Evening Schedule

4:00 - 5:00 PM

**Confession is Available**

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

5:30 PM

**Scholars Mass (Optional)**

St. Benedict's Abbey Church

6:45 PM

**Presidential Scholars Dinner**

Dining Hall

8:00 PM

**Meet your Overnight Host**Murphy Recreation Center  
Students will be escorted to their respective dorms at this time.

## Late Night Options

8:00 - 9:00 PM

**Parent Coffee**Student Success Center  
Lounge (Dining Hall Hallway)  
Sponsored by the Benedictine College  
Parent Association.

8:30 PM

**Turner Hall Lip Sync**St. John Paul II Student Center,  
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

## Events Around Campus

## Friday, February 11

4:00 PM

**Music Recital**St. John Paul II Student Center,  
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

## Saturday, February 12

2:00 PM

**Women's Basketball Game vs. Baker**St. John Paul II Student Center,  
Ralph Nolan Gymnasium

4:00 PM

**Men's Basketball Game vs. Baker**St. John Paul II Student Center,  
Ralph Nolan Gymnasium

*Complimentary game day tickets for both games available at the check-in tables.*

## Competition

Each student participant will receive an individual schedule with group number at check-in. Students and families will begin the day together. The competition portion for students will begin at 10:30 AM. A separate program is planned for parents and guests.

### Morning Schedule

8:00 - 9:15 AM

**Check-in for Student Participants**  
Murphy Recreation Center

9:30 AM

**Opening Remarks**  
Murphy Recreation Center  
Stephen D. Minnis '82, President

### Optional Activities

8:00 - 9:00 AM

**Breakfast**  
Dining Hall

8:00 AM / 9:00 AM

**Mass / Rosary**  
St. Benedict's Abbey Church

3:00 - 4:00 PM

**Confession**  
St. Benedict's  
Abbey Church

4:00 PM

**Vigil Mass**  
St. Benedict's  
Abbey Church

### Student Schedule

10:15 AM

**Group Dismissal for Students**

10:30 AM - 2:15 PM

**Interview**  
Ferrell Academic Center & St. Benedict Hall

**Essay**  
Westerman Hall, Murphy McPhee Auditorium

**Current Student Q&A**  
St. Benedict Hall, Mabee Theatre

**Expand Your Idea of the Classroom**  
St. John Paul II Student Center,  
O'Malley-McAllister Auditorium

1:30 - 3:30 PM

**Presidential Scholars Luncheon**  
Dining Hall

**Photo Opportunity**  
Dining Hall  
Capture this moment with a photo  
by the Benedictine Seal on the stage.

2:30 PM

**Engineering Reception**  
Westerman Hall, First Floor  
Parents, guests, and students are welcome.

**Homeschool Student Meetup**  
Dining Hall  
Meet for group photos by the  
Benedictine Seal on the stage.

### Parent Schedule

10:30 AM

**Walking Tour of Campus**  
Depart from the Murphy Recreation Center

**St. Benedict's Abbey Tour**  
Led by Monks of St. Benedict's Abbey

11:15 AM

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**A Conversation with the Dean**  
Murphy Recreation Center  
Dr. Kim Shankman, Dean of the College

12:00 PM

**Financial Aid and Scholarships**  
Murphy Recreation Center  
Tona Stone, Associate Director of Financial Aid  
Tony Tanking, Director of Financial Aid

1:00 PM

**Student Panel**  
Murphy Recreation Center

2:15 - 3:15 PM

**Residence Hall Viewing**  
Depart from the Dining Hall  
Parents, guests, and students are welcome.

1:30 - 3:30 PM

**Presidential Scholars Luncheon**  
Dining Hall