

# Vacation Travel Planning 2026-2027

<b>Opening of School</b>	
Tuesday, August 25 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest arrival for Red Tier student leaders
<i>Red Tier Leaders: Please reach out to Catherine Knauss to arrange shuttle pick-up from JFK at either 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. or 10:00 p.m. on 8/25. Based on previous years, we know that August pickups at JFK are the most expensive and we encourage you to fly into Albany International Airport if possible.<sup>1</sup></i>	
Wednesday, August 26 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest arrival for Red Tier student leaders
Saturday, August 29 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest arrival for new international students
Sunday, August 30	Opening day for new students (schedule of details to come)
Monday, August 31 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest arrival for returning international students
Tuesday, September 1	Opening day for returning students (schedule of details to come)
<b>Fall Long Weekend</b>	
Friday, October 9 at 3:45 p.m. - Tuesday, October 13 at 7:00 p.m.	Fall Long Weekend starts at 3:45 p.m. on Friday, October 9 Boarders must return by 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13
<i>Dorms remain open for Fall Long Weekend</i>	
<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>	
Friday, November 20 at 3:45 p.m.	Earliest departure for Thanksgiving Break
Saturday, November 21 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for domestic students
Sunday, November 22 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for international students
Saturday, November 28 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international students
Sunday, November 29 at 10:00 a.m.	Earliest return for domestic students
Sunday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m.	Latest return for all boarding students
<b>Winter Break</b>	
Friday, December 18 at 10:00 p.m.	Earliest departure for 9th graders, 10th graders, and 11th graders (after <i>Revels</i> )
Saturday, December 19 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for domestic 9th graders, 10th graders, and 11th graders
Saturday, December 19 at 4:30 p.m.	Earliest departure for seniors
Sunday, December 20 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for seniors and international 9th graders, 10th graders, and 11th graders
Monday, January 4 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international students
Tuesday, January 5 at 10:00 a.m.	Earliest return for domestic students
Tuesday, January 5 at 7:00 p.m.	Latest return for all boarding students
<b>Winter Long Weekend</b>	
Friday, February 12 at 12:00 p.m. - Monday, February 15 at 7:00 p.m.	Winter Long Weekend starts at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 12 Boarders must return by 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 15
<i>Dorms remain open for Winter Long Weekend</i>	
<b>Spring Break</b>	
Friday, March 5 at 3:45 p.m.	Earliest departure for all students
Saturday, March 6 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for domestic students
Sunday, March 7 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for international students
Sunday, March 21 at 12:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international students

<sup>1</sup> If your flight arrives after the 10:00 p.m. shuttle has departed on 8/25, we are still happy to help coordinate transportation, but the cost of that transportation will likely be higher than if you are able to make it on the 10:00 a.m. or 3:00 p.m. shuttle.

Monday, March 22 at 10:00 a.m.	Earliest return for domestic students
Monday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m.	Latest return for all boarding students
<b>Spring Long Weekend</b>	
Friday, April 16 at 12:00 p.m. - Monday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m.	Spring Long Weekend starts at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, April 16 Boarders must return by 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19
<i>Dorms remain open for Spring Long Weekend</i>	
<b>Summer Vacation</b>	
Saturday, June 5 at 2:00 p.m.	Earliest departure for all students (after Commencement)
Saturday, June 5 at 9:00 p.m.	Latest departure for domestic students
Sunday, June 6 at 12:00 p.m.	Latest departure for international students
<p><i>Students in grades 9, 10, and 11 may choose to depart before Commencement once their final exams are completed as scheduled. The school is unable to provide transportation for students departing before 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 5. <b>No student may depart campus between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 5</b> as all employees are engaged in the Commencement ceremony.</i></p>	