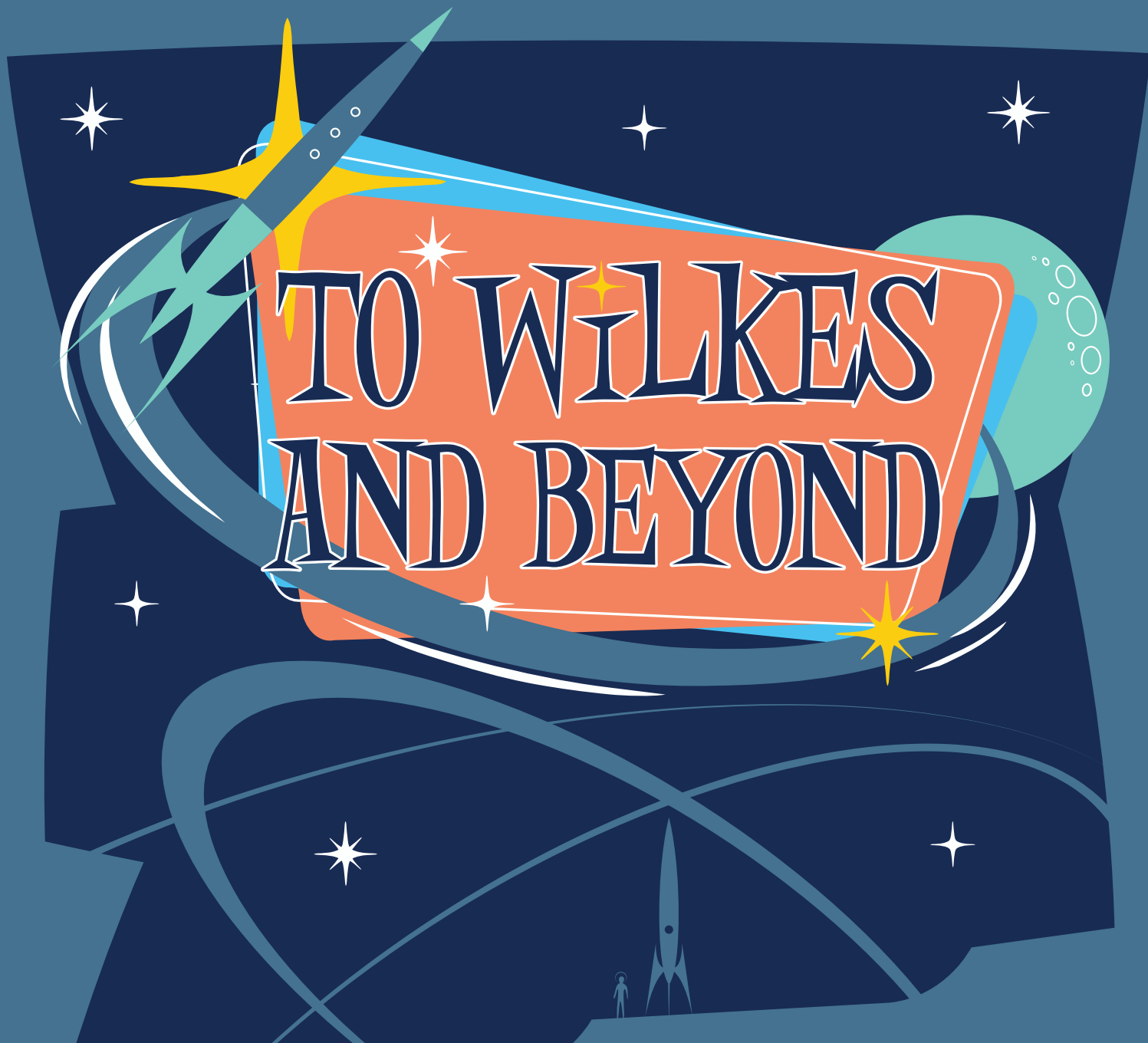




FIRST-YEAR STUDENT
WELCOME WEEKEND
2026

Wilkes University

IMPORTANT INFO

MY E-MENTOR: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

MY ACADEMIC ADVISOR: _____

Advisor's Office: _____

Office Hours: _____

Office Phone: _____

REMEMBER: Your mentor and academic advisor are great resources to keep in touch with throughout the year, especially during your first week of classes!

FIRST-YEAR PHONEBOOK

Student Development/e-Mentor Program

Henry Student Center, First Floor Info Desk
570-408-4014
orientation@wilkes.edu

IT Help Desk

Farley Library, First Floor
570-408-4357
helpdesk@wilkes.edu

Residence Life

Max Roth Center, Second Floor
570-408-4350
reslife@wilkes.edu

Campus Facilities - Repairs, restocks, etc.

South Main St.
570-408-2349
2fix@wilkes.edu

Registrar's Office - Scheduling classes

Capin Hall, First Floor
570-408-4961
registrar@wilkes.edu

Campus Counseling

Passan Hall, Second Floor
570-408-4100
24/7 Crisis Line: 570-408-2428
maria.richards@wilkes.edu OR
melissa.gaudio@wilkes.edu

Financial Aid

Capin Hall, Second Floor
570-408-4512
financialaid@wilkes.edu

Office of Student Life & Student Success

Passan Hall, Second Floor
570-408-4100
student.affairs@wilkes.edu

Wilkes University Police Department - Public Safety, ID cards, parking

South Main St. Parking Garage, First Floor
Non-Emergency: 570-408-4377
Emergency: 570-408-4999
publicsafety@wilkes.edu

WELCOME WEEKEND SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 - SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

HENRY STUDENT CENTER, HENRY'S FOOD COURT, THIRD FLOOR

BREAKFAST HOURS: 7 - 11 AM

LUNCH HOURS: 11 AM - 4:30 PM

DINNER HOURS: 4:30 - 7:30 PM

Students will be able to enjoy buffet-style breakfast and lunch in our Henry's Cafe catered by Aramark Food Services. Meal plans will be active for all resident students by using their Wilkes ID. Meal passes will be provided for commuter students.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

9 AM - 4 PM*: MOVE-IN AND CHECK-IN FOR RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS, VARIOUS RESIDENCE HALLS

**Students will move in according to their e-Mentor assignment.*

Residential students will be able to pick up their Wilkes ID card, key for their assigned residence hall and detailed schedule of the weekend's events.

4:30 - 5:30 PM: RESIDENCE HALL SOCIAL, YOUR ASSIGNED RESIDENCE HALL

Students will meet their hallmates and their RA, go over important information and get to know each other, starting off the year on the right foot!

4:30 - 7:30 PM: DINNER, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, THIRD FLOOR

Students will have the opportunity to enjoy a meal on campus in our Henry's Cafe. Henry's Cafe is traditional buffet style and catered by Aramark Food Services.

7:30 - 10:30 PM: MOVIE ON THE GREENWAY, FENNER QUADRANGLE

Join Residence Hall Council on the greenway for a movie night on the projector! Snacks will be provided and we hope to see you there!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

8 - 9 AM: COMMUTER STUDENT CHECK-IN & WELCOME, FIRST FLOOR, HENRY STUDENT CENTER

Students will be able to pick up their Wilkes ID card, Welcome Weekend T-Shirts and schedule of the weekend's events. Get ready to meet your e-Mentor!

9:15 - 10:15 AM: MAJOR MIXER, VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Students will be able to meet members of their major, college and faculty and hear about some of the great opportunities and connections you are about to make!

10:30 AM: LINE UP ON THE GREENWAY, FENNER QUADRANGLE

All first-year students will meet on the greenway to walk together to Fall Convocation. You don't want to miss this Wilkes tradition. Be sure to touch John Wilkes's boot, and wear your Welcome Weekend T-shirt for this portion of the day!



WELCOME WEEKEND SCHEDULE

11 AM - NOON: FALL CONVOCATION, MARTS CENTER

With your e-Mentor and other first-year students from your college, start the year off by meeting your fellow classmates and by learning all about Wilkes and your first-year experience. You will be dismissed by E-Mentor group from Convocation, and you will enjoy a rotation of a campus tour, library passport and Career Gateway!

NOON - 4 PM: LUNCH, CAMPUS TOUR, CAREER CENTER AND LIBRARY PASSPORT ROTATION

Your E-Mentor will take you on a personalized campus and classroom tour, so you are ready for your classes on Monday! The Library has a wealth of information and resources for you. Get to know what's available with your Library Passport Activity! Visit the Career Gateway to begin your "To Wilkes and Beyond" career!

4:30 - 6 PM: HONORS PROGRAM SOCIAL, STARK LEARNING CENTER 105

Honors Program students will be able to mingle and socialize with fellow honors students, meet the program's staff and go over important information regarding the program.

6 - 7 PM: BARRE SCHOLARS SOCIAL, STARK LEARNING CENTER 105

Students from the Barre Scholars Program will be able to mingle and socialize with fellow scholars, meet the program's staff and go over important information regarding the program.

4:30 - 7:30 PM: DINNER, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, HENRY'S FOOD COURT, THIRD FLOOR

Students will be able to enjoy a buffet-style meal with their mentor groups in Henry's Cafe catered by Aramark Food Services. Meal Plans will be active for all resident students using their Wilkes ID. Meal Passes will be provided for all commuter students.

7 - 9 PM: COSMIC CARNIVAL, FENNER QUADRANGLE

Get to know the campus community in style! Enjoy carnival games, win prizes and meet your fellow Colonels on the greenway!

**This event will be moved to the McHale Athletic Center (MAC) in the case of inclement weather.*

8:30 - 9:30 PM: PIZZA PLANET PIZZA PARTY, FENNER QUADRANGLE

Join the E-Mentor team at the end of the Carnival for late-night pizza on the greenway.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

8:30 - 11 AM: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT SERVICE

Join your e-Mentors for a morning of civic engagement! A variety of sites are available for all interests; you will either be bussed or will walk to your site.

11 AM - 1 PM: LUNCH, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, THIRD FLOOR

Students will be able to enjoy lunch in our Henry's Cafe. Meal plans will be active for all resident students using their Wilkes ID. Meal passes will be provided for commuter students.

11 AM - 1 PM: GREENWAY COOKOUT BY THE MULTICULTURAL STUDENT COALITION (MSC), FENNER QUADRANGLE

Come join the Multicultural Student Coalition for our Annual Cultural Cookout! Kick off the semester with great food, great music and good vibes as we welcome you to campus! Meal tickets are not needed for this event. Come out and have some fun with MSC!



WELCOME WEEKEND SCHEDULE

12:30 - 1:30 PM: LEARN YOUR WAY AROUND LIVE (D2L) AND WILKES IT ESSENTIALS, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, JEAN AND PAUL ADAMS COMMONS (JPAC), SECOND FLOOR

Come learn from our Office of Technology for Teaching and Learning (OTTL) on how to navigate the Wilkes portal, find your classes on LIVE, how to check grades and so much more! Wilkes IT will be providing tips and tricks for internet and network usage across campus.

1:30 - 2:30 PM: BREAKOUT SESSIONS, VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON CAMPUS

Choose one of the breakout sessions below to attend and learn more about your chosen topic!

SESSION 1: WHAT I WISH I KNEW MY FIRST SEMESTER, BREISETH HALL 107

Hear from Wilkes students about what surprised them most, what helped them succeed and what they wish they had known when starting college. From managing classes and studying effectively, to using campus resources and finding balance, this panel, (moderated by the Office of Academic Success) features firsthand insight into what it means to learn the Wilkes way.

SESSION 2: COLLEGE BUDGET WORKSHOP, BREISETH HALL 106

Students will be able to learn essential money management skills for students, including student loan and credit card debt education.

SESSION 3: WILKES-BARRE TUTORIAL, BREISETH HALL 108

Here, students will be able to learn more of the "insider scoop" on student life on campus, as well as other important facets of the Wilkes-Barre area, all presented by our e-Mentor program.

SESSION 4: COMMUTER SOCIAL, FARLEY LIBRARY SOCIAL, COMMUTER LOUNGE

Stop by to get familiar with the commuter lounge. Take this opportunity to meet fellow commuters, make new friends and create great memories.

2:30 - 4:30 PM: PICKLEBALL BY COMMUTER COUNCIL (CC)

Come join Commuter Council and play some Pickleball! Fun for all! Drinks/snacks will be provided.

2:30 - 3:30 PM* OR 3:30 - 4:30 PM*: TITLE IX SESSION, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, JEAN AND PAUL ADAMS COMMONS (JPAC), SECOND FLOOR

**Session for non-student-athletes; check with your RA on which session to attend.*

The Title IX Training outlines Wilkes University's Title IX policy, including prohibited conduct, ways to prevent hostile environments, reporting procedures, available support resources, and the prohibition of retaliation. The session will include interactive activities to address bystander intervention strategies and understanding consent.

4:30 - 7:30 PM: DINNER, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, HENRY'S FOOD COURT, THIRD FLOOR

Students will be able to enjoy dinner in our Henry's Cafe. Meal plans will be active for all resident students using their Wilkes ID. Meal passes will be provided for commuter students.

6 - 8 PM: KEYCHAIN COLORING WITH GENDER AND SEXUALITY ALLIANCE (GSA), SORDONI ART GALLERY LOBBY AND KARAMBELAS 135

Celebrate the friendships you've made on campus so far with GSA and tap into your spacy side by coloring some space keychains! Create some out-of-this-world buttons and friendship bracelets with the Sordoni Art Gallery!



WELCOME WEEKEND SCHEDULE

6 - 8 PM: LATE NIGHT REC, MCMALE ATHLETIC CENTER (MAC)

Join Wilkes Adventure Education (WAE) for our Late Night Rec. Enjoy an open climb on our rock wall, play volleyball, basketball, frisbee, corn hole or race through the MAC.

8 - 10 PM: DRAG BINGO, HENRY STUDENT CENTER, JEAN AND PAUL ADAMS COMMONS (JPAC), SECOND FLOOR

Sponsored by the Programming Board and hosted by Memphis Divine, come play a Wilkes University hallmark - bingo! Come and see if you can win some awesome prizes!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30

ALL DAY: FREE PLAY DAY, VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Unwind before the first day of classes with various activities both on and off campus!
You can attend events with certain clubs here on campus.

CHECK OUT THESE FUN EVENTS HOSTED BY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE DAY!

10 AM - 6 PM: WAE DAY, CAMP KRESGE

Join Wilkes Adventure Education (WAE) for their annual WAE Day at Camp Kresge! We will provide transportation up to Camp Kresge and enjoy a day of high ropes courses, zip lining, boating, rock climbing, various sports and group activities.

11 AM - 12:30 PM: POP IN & CONNECT, CONYNGHAM 113

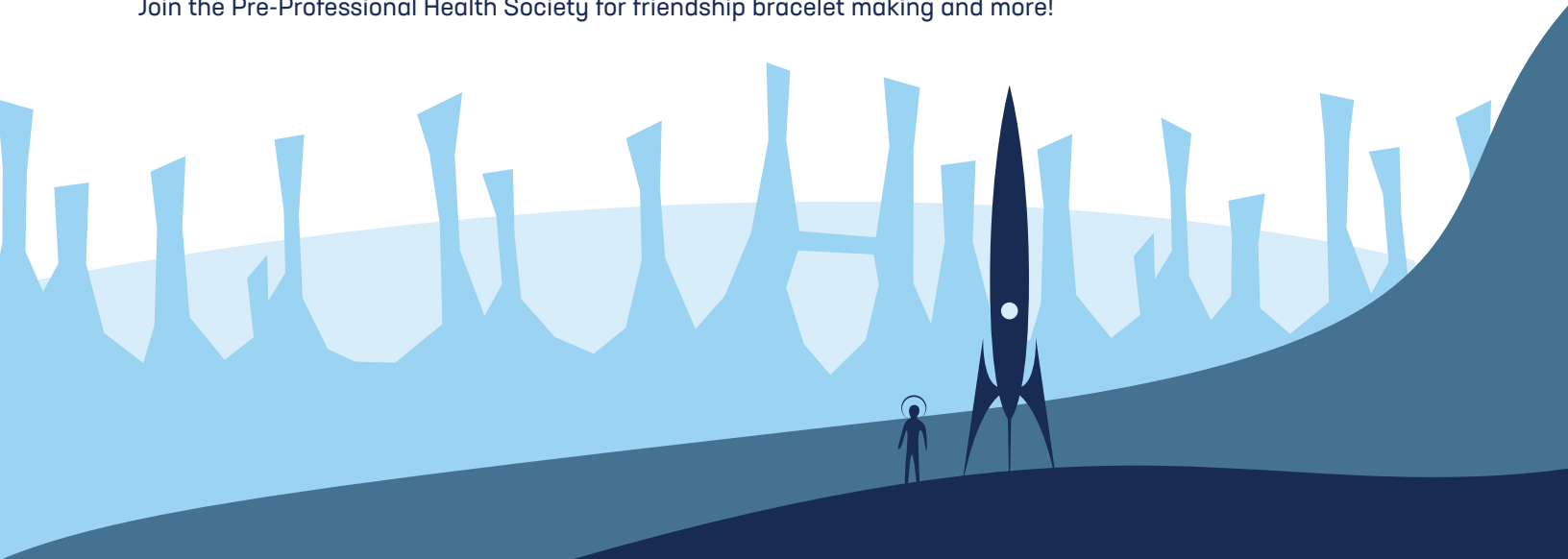
New to Wilkes? You're not alone – and you're invited! Join us for a low-key and fun welcome event for EDGE students and first-generation college students. Stop by for snacks, meet other students who are starting their journey just like you and connect with friendly staff and mentors who are here to support you every step of the way. Come as you are – stay for a few minutes or the whole time. We can't wait to meet you!

11 AM - 1 PM: PSYCHOLOGY CLUB, FENNER QUADRANGLE

Join the Psychology Club as they host a sidewalk chalk event, leaving messages all over the greenway as they hand out popsicles!

11 AM - 1 PM: PRE-PROFESSIONAL HEALTH SOCIETY, COHEN SCIENCE CENTER 102

Join the Pre-Professional Health Society for friendship bracelet making and more!



WELCOME WEEKEND SCHEDULE

11 AM - 1 PM: CHEMISTRY CLUB, EVANS HALL COURTYARD (BETWEEN COHEN AND EVANS HALLS)

Join the Chemistry Club for our Fall Bond-B-Que for some food, fun and an opportunity to connect with the students and staff of the Chemistry Department!

NOON - 3 PM: WE'RE EMPOWERED BY SCIENCE, COHEN SCIENCE CENTER 220

Join WEBS to make your own lava lamp and DNA keychain!

NOON - 3 PM: FRIENDSHIP BRACELET MAKING WITH KAPPA KAPPA PSI, DARTÉ CENTER PATIO

Join Kappa Kappa Psi for an afternoon of friendship bracelet making! Snacks and drinks will be provided.

5 - 7 PM: KARAOKE WITH THE CHORAL CLUB, GIES HALL, DARTÉ CENTER

Join the Choral Club for a fun night of out-of-this-world karaoke!

**MORE CLUB PROGRAMMING WILL BE
ANNOUNCED VIA SUITABLE EVENTS.**

**PLEASE LOG IN TO SUITABLE TO
CHECK THE SCHEDULE.**



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

CLASSES COMMENCE

8 AM, Monday, August 31, 2026

LABOR DAY RECESS BEGINS

8 AM, Saturday, September 5, 2026

CLASSES RESUME

8 AM, Tuesday, September 8, 2026

FALL RECESS BEGINS

8 AM, Thursday, October 15, 2026

CLASSES RESUME

8 AM, Monday, October 19, 2026

FOLLOW THURSDAY CLASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

THANKSGIVING RECESS BEGINS

8 AM, Wednesday, November 25, 2026

CLASSES RESUME

8 AM, Monday, November 30, 2026

FOLLOW FRIDAY CLASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 14, 2026

CLASSES END

5 PM, Monday, December 14, 2026

FINAL EXAMINATIONS BEGIN

6:30 PM, Monday, December 14, 2026

FINAL EXAMINATIONS END

4 PM, Monday, December 21, 2026

FINAL EXAMINATION CONFLICT/WEATHER MAKE-UP DAYS

Tuesday, December 22, 2026, and Wednesday, December 23, 2026

ESSENTIAL APPS



Suitable allows you to stay connected with clubs – manage, attend, find and enjoy your clubs!



GrubHub Mobile is the mobile-ordering app here on campus. Use it to order ahead at B+F, WhichWich and Greens2Go!



Handshake is the essential app for careers and internships! Download it, set up a profile and show the staff at the Center for Career Development and Internships (CCDI) on Friday, August 28, and **win a prize!**



Gmail will be your go-to for receiving updates from professors, important campus updates and other must-know messages. **Keep your notifications on!**



Pulse connects L.I.V.E./D2L to your phone! Receive instant notifications when professors post grades, assignments, announcements and the like.



Wilkes Shield is the app for Wilkes Public Safety. Quickly contact WUPD, report incidents, call the Colonel Connector, etc.



GET Mobile App comes in handy when keeping track of your Dining and Flex Dollars. You can add funds on-the-go and it can be used as your swipe when making a payment in place of your student ID.

IMPORTANT DATES

COSMIC CALENDAR

WELCOME WEEKEND - AUG. 27 - 30
WAE LAKE JEAN LABOR DAY - SEPT. 7
CLUB DAY - SEPT. 10
FY CHACKO'S BOWLING NIGHT - SEPT. 15
CC RAILRIDERS GAME - SEPT. 20
FAMILY DAY - SEPT. 26
SG/SD BLOOMSBURG FAIR - SEPT. 27
CC RENAISSANCE FAIRE - OCT. 4
HOMECOMING - OCT. 9 - 11
MSC/ODI D.C. TRIP - OCT. 15
WUPB AMERICAN DREAM MALL - OCT. 24
RHC ROBA'S FAMILY FARM - OCT. 25
WUPB FREAK WEEK - OCT. 26 - 30
SD ROCKY HORROR ON BROADWAY - NOV. 1
FY REGISTRATION BINGO - NOV. 10
SG CASINO NIGHT - NOV. 13

LOCAL DESTINATIONS

CAFES

Abide Coffeehouse
The Atomic Cowboy
Bagel Bar
Center City Cafe
Crimson Lion Lounge & Cafe
Curry Donuts
Dunkin'
Matters Floral Cafe
Purrfect Mugs Cat Cafe
Pour Coffeehouse
Starbucks
Sweet Treet

LUNCH/DINNER

Abe's Hot Dogs
Amber Indian Express
Anthracite Cafe
Asian Kitchen
The Burnt Norton
Cafe Toscana
The Canning House
Circles on the Square
Crown Fried Chicken
Dogwood's Deli and Subs
The Down Pour
El Rey Azteca
Empanada King
Ferris's Lunch
Flaming Crab
Golden Star
Goldstein's Deli
Habibi Halal Food King
Hartman Jerk Center
Istanbul Grill
King of Kings Gyros
Kingza Asian Cuisine
KJ's Pickle Barrel
La Cantina Amigon
La Tolteca
Margarita Azul
Market Street Burgers

HOTELS

Best Western Plus - 77 East Market St., Wilkes-Barre*
Courtyard by Marriott - 879 Schechter Dr., Wilkes-Barre*
Hampton Inn & Suites - 876 Schechter Dr., Wilkes-Barre*
Hilton Garden Inn - 242 Highland Park Blvd., Wilkes-Barre*
Holiday Inn - 600 Wildflower Drive, Wilkes-Barre
Mohegan Sun Pocono - 1280 PA-315, Wilkes-Barre
Fairfield Inn & Suites - 884 Kidder St., Wilkes-Barre
Home2Suites by Hilton - 872 Schechter Dr., Wilkes-Barre (+15708210777)

**Asterisk denotes Wilkes rate*

Mirakuya Japanese
Mizu Sushi
Patte's Sports Bar
Pete's Place
Philadelphia Subs
Red Leaf Salad Company
River Grille
Rodano's
Royal House Buffet
The Scratch Kitchen
Thai Thai
Theo's Metro
Yummy Bowl

PIZZA

Angelo's Pizzeria
Antonio's Pizza
CJ's Pizza and Subs
Dough Company
Franco's Pizzeria
The Frog Pond Pub
Gerry's Pizzeria
Grotto Pizza
Januzzi's Pizza and Subs
Pronto Pizzeria
Revello's Pizza
Ricci's Pizza
For more info on our area's
rich pizza culture, check out
visitnepa.org/pizza-trail

NATIONAL FAVORITES

Applebee's
Baskin Robbins
Bubbakoo's Burritos
Buffalo Wild Wings
Burger King
Chick-Fil-A
Chipotle Mexican Grill
CoreLife Eatery
Cracker Barrel
Dairy Queen

Denny's
Domino's
Duck Donuts
Five Guys
Jersey Mike's Subs
KFC
LongHorn Steakhouse
McDonald's
Miller's Ale House
Mission BBQ
Moe's Southwest Grill
Olive Garden
Outback Steakhouse
Panera Bread
Perkins Restaurant & Bakery
Playa Bowls
Popeye's Chicken
Primo Hoagies
Red Lobster
Red Robin
Sonic Drive-In
Subway
Taco Bell
Texas Roadhouse
TGI Friday's
Wendy's

DESSERT & SWEETS

Amberdonia Bakery
Amigon's Bakery
Bakery Delite
Curly Creme Soft Ice Cream
Handel's Homemade Ice Cream
Josie's Frozen Custard & Italian Ice
Las Delicias el Paraiso
Malacari's Ice Cream
Manning's Farmhouse Ice Cream
Shope Michael Mootz Candies
Snack Shack
Something Special Bakery
The Lands at Hillside Farms
What's Shaken

GROCERIES

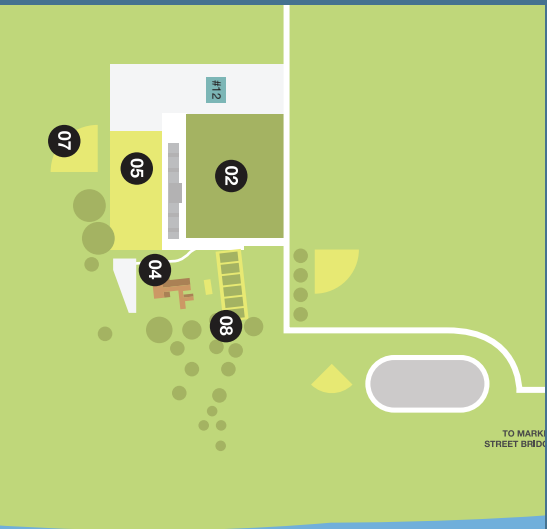
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Deemer's Discount Groceries
Dollar General
The Fresh Grocer
Price Chopper
Malacari's Produce and Deli
Market 32
Sam's Club
Schiel's Family Market
Target
Walmart
Wegmans
Weis Markets

HEALTH SERVICES

Wilkes University Health Services
CVS Pharmacy
Geisinger Wyoming Valley
Medical Center
MedExpress (2 locations)
Medicine Shoppe
Walgreens Pharmacy
Walmart Pharmacy
Wegmans Pharmacy
Wilkes-Barre General Hospital

SALONS & BARBER SHOPS

Ace of Fades Barbershop
Alexander's Salon & Spa
Bobby Pin Studio
Clipperheads Barbershop
Dare 2 Be Different Salon
Donn Michael's Salon
Eclectic Hair Salon
Gabriel's Barbershop
Identity Styling Salon
Loyalty Barbershop
Studio 570 Salon
Supercuts
Union + Main



ADMISSIONS

- 01 Chase Hall

ATHLETIC FACILITIES

- 02 Bruggeworth Field
- 03 Mats Center & Henry Gymnasium
- 04 Munson Field House
- 05 Schmidt Stadium
- 07 Softball Field
- 08 Tennis Courts
- 09 McHale Athletic Center

RESIDENCE HALLS

- 10 40 West (YMCA)
- 11 Catlin Hall
- 12 Doane Hall
- 13 Evans Hall
- 14 Fortinsky Hall
- 15 Michels Hall
- 16 Pearsall Hall
- 17 Rilkin Hall
- 18 Ross Hall
- 19 Roth Hall
- 20 Schlowitz Hall
- 21 Stocum Hall
- 22 Sterling Hall
- 23 Sturdevant Hall
- 24 Sullivan Hall
- 25 University Towers
- 26 Water Hall
- 27 Weiss Hall

ACADEMIC BUILDINGS

- 28 Bedford Hall
- 29 Breiseth Hall
- 31 Ceramics Studio
- 32 Cohen Science Center
- 33 Harold Cox Hall
- 34 Date Center for the Performing Arts
- 35 Hollenback Hall
- 36 Kirby Hall
- 37 Alumni & Advancement - 65 W. South Street
- 38 Eugene S. Farley Library
- 39 Stark Learning Center
- 09 Simms Center on Main
- 56 Karamelias Media and Communications Center

ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDINGS

- 30 Capin Hall
- 41 Colonel Corner Campus Store
- 43 Conyngham Hall
- 44 Annette Evans Alumni House
- 46 Henry Student Center
- 47 Miner-Moat House
- 48 O'Hop Hall
- 49 Passan Hall
- 51 Public Safety Office
- 52 Max Roth Center
- 53 Facilities Building
- 54 Weckesser Annex
- 55 Weckesser Hall
- 57 Miller Hall
- 58 Sordoni Art Gallery
- 59 Career Development and Internships

PARKING LOTS

- #1 170 S. Franklin St.
- #2 187 S. Franklin St.
- #3 84 S. River St.
- #4 110 W. River St.
- #5 236 S. River St.
- #6 274 S. Franklin St.
- #7 Barnum Pl./W. South St.

P PARKING

- #8 169 S. Main St.
- #9 10 E. South St.
- #10 148 S. Main St.
- #11 141 S. Main St.
- #12 302 W. Northampton St., Edwardsville

