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STUDENT NEWS

WEEK OF JANUARY 9, 2023



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Welcome to Spring Semester 2023!

Join us for Welcome Events and Activities • Details below

CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greetings!

We hope you are excited to start off this new semester. As you start your week, please take time to look through the information below and check out the great Welcome Week events.

Regards,

Genavieve Lawler

Check Out these Wonderful Welcome Week Activities!

Welcome Week is a great time to find out what Normandale has to offer when it comes to your academic and social experiences. [Stay connected](#) and find out more about what Normandale has to offer that fits your individual interests. All events are while food, giveaways, and supplies last!

MONDAY, JAN. 9

Resources Scavenger Hunt, All week, Campus-wide

Snacks & Supplies Giveaway, 9 am-1 pm, The Overlook - Kopp Student Center

Pancakes with the President, 10 am-12 pm, 1st Floor, College Services Bldg.

Hot/Iced Coffee Bar & Snacks, 4-6 pm, The Lounge - 1st Floor, College Services Bldg .

TUESDAY, JAN. 10

Yoga with Anita, 10-11 am, A 1570 - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg.

Snacks Around the World, 10 am-12 pm, Diversity Center (K 1439) - Kopp Student Center

S'mores with the Staff, 12-2 pm, Garden Room - Kopp Student Center

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11

Donuts with the Deans, 7:45-9:30 am, Kopp Student Center, College Services & Fine Arts Entrances

All College Involvement Fair, 11 am-2 pm, Gym (A 1500) - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg.

THURSDAY, JAN. 12

Crafts & Cocoa Student Mingle, 11 am-1 pm, The Overlook - Kopp Student Center

Mario Kart Tournament, 1-3 pm, Garden Room, Kopp Student Center

Yoga with Anita, 2-3 pm, A 1570 - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg.

Hot/Iced Coffee Bar & Snacks, 4-6 pm, The Lounge - 1st Floor, College Services Bldg.

FRIDAY, JAN. 13

Film Friday, 12-2 pm, The Overlook - Kopp Student Center

**All events are dependent on weather, as well as supplies and food availability.*

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Ask Me

We are so excited to see you on campus! If you have any questions, look for faculty and staff available at the Ask Me tables placed at the main entrances to campus or ask the Hallway Helpers who are walking the hallways for assistance.

If you have questions or for further information, email Genavieve Lawler, Student Life Involvement Coordinator at genavieve.lawler@normandale.edu.

Be a Part of Something!

Involvement in a campus club or organization is a good way to develop relationships with other students and to create a sense of community for yourself and others. Participation in a student club or organization provides an opportunity to get to know a group of classmates and a faculty member, to pursue a particular interest, to learn more about your major, to celebrate your culture and/or religion, or just to have fun!

To learn more about the variety of student clubs and organizations you'll find at Normandale, or to get information about meeting times and dates, click on the link below.

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Questions or Concerns About Your Courses or Schedule?

The [deadline to add or drop spring semester courses](#) is Friday, January 13, and our Advising, Counseling & Career Center staff are here to help!

If you need assistance dropping or adding courses or just have a question about what courses to take for your major or degree, talk to an academic advisor or counselor as soon as possible. Access online [advising chat](#) for the quickest service, or stop by on-campus Advising.

The Advising, Counseling & Career Center is Here to Help

It's a busy time of year! Same day services are your best option for quick questions such as **dropping and adding courses, schedule changes, placement questions, and appeals or petitions**. No appointment needed! For service hours, visit the [Advising, Counseling & Career Center page](#).

- [Online Advising Chat](#): Chat is the quickest way to get the help you need. Chat hours are 10 am-4 pm.
- [On Campus Express Advising](#): Express Advising is located near the College Services main entrance. We will have extended hours this week in Express Advising from Monday-Thursday, 8 am-5:45 pm and Friday, 8 am-4:15 pm.

Student Services has Extended Hours

Student Services is here to help you get ready for spring semester. Located inside the College Services main entrance, we are able to maximize service to students and make it easier to get help with records, registration, financial aid, scholarship, billing and payment needs in one central location. We will have extended drop in service available Monday-Thursday, 8 am-5:45 pm and Friday, 8 am-4:15 pm.

[Student Services](#) is also available via [email](#), [live chat](#) and phone at 952-358-8100.

CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES

Self Defense Club

Join us to learn self defense strategies and how to protect yourself from potential harm. Meeting times are Fridays, 2:30-4 pm, in the Gym - Activities Bldg. To sign up, click [here](#).

If you have questions, email stacy.bestland@normandale.edu.

Come Along to the United Kingdom this Semester

Add an international travel class to your Spring semester 2023 schedule and travel to the U.K. in May. Brexit, the withdrawal of the United Kingdom (UK) from the European Union, has had dramatic economic effects on the region. This three-credit Economics course will address the effects of Brexit, with special attention paid to cultural, historical, and economic consequences of Brexit on Northern Ireland, Scotland, and England. Then, we'll take your learning abroad with an 8-day tour to the UK where you'll explore the cities Belfast, Edinburgh, and London. Along the way you'll visit castles, distilleries, cathedrals, and even a few famous filming locations from Game of Thrones! **Tour enrollment deadline is January 25, 2023.**

Get all the details on the class, the tour, and how to sign up at www.normandale.edu/travel. If you have questions, email aimee.dubois@normandale.edu.

Seeking Students to Tutor Bloomington Public School Students with America Reads and Counts

America Reads and Counts is a program where Normandale students tutor Bloomington Public School kids in-person in academic subjects like math and reading during the day or provide homework help at Bloomington libraries in the evening. Please visit the [America Reads and Counts website](#) for details. Interested students are encouraged to submit an [online interest form](#).

If you have questions, contact Paige Wheeler at paige.wheeler@normandale.edu or call 952-358-9074.

Solidarity in Action: Power in Diversity Conference

Thursday Jan. 26-28, St. Cloud State University, MN

[Power in Diversity Leadership Conference](#)

When: Jan. 26-28, 2023

Where: St. Cloud University

Theme: Solidarity in Action

PIDC will offer conference workshops and trainings for attendees to develop the critical skills necessary to engage in numerous types of social justice work, develop their activism, enhance community organizing skills, integrate self-care, and practice personal reflection.

If you have questions, email Debbie Katona at debra.katona@normandale.edu.

Pillars of Leadership Application Open

Are you looking for an opportunity to develop your leadership skills with a cohort of 20 of your fellow students? You will learn about leadership styles, your personal strengths, communication across differences, equity-based leadership, community engagement, and much more!

There is a face to face/hybrid version weekly for 10 weeks or an online offering.

Apply here: [POL Application](#). **Application closes February 1, 2023**

Not only is this program a great opportunity to learn more about yourself, but it will also be a great resume builder and help you connect to the Normandale community!

To learn more about this opportunity, email Debbie Katona at debra.katona@normandale.edu.

Advising/Counseling and Student Services Office Hours

- Monday - Thursday: 8 am-5:45 pm; Friday: 8 am-4:15 pm

Basic Needs Resources

Normandale has basic needs resources for students such as:

- [Campus Cupboard](#) - Location: A 1565 - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg. Free food and hygiene items for any Normandale student.
- [Laptops](#) - A limited number of free laptops are available for Normandale students. [Application link](#)
- [Library](#) - Location: C 2701 - 2nd Floor, Library Bldg. Research help from librarians and books, articles, and videos to support your coursework.
- [Normandale Cares Emergency Grant](#) - Students can apply for one grant per semester of up to \$500 to cover emergency financial needs.
- [Parking](#) - Available in Lots 1-6 and the Parking Ramp for all Normandale students/employees.
- [Photo ID Station](#) - Location: Kopp Center Info Desk - Upper level, Kopp Student Center. Your Normandale ID Card is your ticket for accessing a variety of services throughout campus.
- [Student Resource Center](#) - Location: A 1560 - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg. Strengthens students support network and connects them to campus and community resources.
- [Tutoring Center](#) - Location: C 2190 - 2nd Floor, College Services Bldg. The Tutoring Center provides tutoring for specific subjects and a variety of other services designed to help students be successful.

Campus Cupboard Information

The Campus Cupboard provides Normandale students with free food and hygiene items. Students can come as often as they would like and get non-perishable, refrigerated, and frozen food, personal hygiene items, and grab-and-go microwavable meals. Visit the [Campus Cupboard](#) website for more details. Location: A 1565 - 1st Floor, Activities Bldg.

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If you have questions, email Paige Wheeler at paige.wheeler@normandale.edu or call 952- 358-9074.

STAR Program: Personalized Career and Support Services

Normandale's [Success Through Advising & Resources \(STAR\) Program](#)

- Provides personalized career services and basic needs support to students pursuing an **Associate of Science (AS), Associate of Arts in Pre-Nursing or Pre-Dental, Associate of Applied Science (AAS), or most Certificates who are also on SNAP (food stamps)**.
- Participants are eligible for a **student support grant of up to \$500** each semester; these grants are reserved just for STAR Program participants.
- If you are interested in the STAR Program, please review the information, including Program Requirements, on the [STAR Program website](#) and then fill out our [STAR Program Interest Form](#).
- SNAP, also sometimes referred to as food stamps or EBT, is a food assistance program which provides monthly benefits to help you pay for groceries. If you are interested but are not enrolled in SNAP, visit the [STAR Program website](#) for resources to help you sign up for SNAP.

If you have questions, email Valerie Dean, Counselor, at valerie.dean@normandale.edu or call 952-358-8253.

Student Resource Center: Help Connecting to Basic Needs

The Student Resource Center connects students to campus and community resources to help you meet your basic needs. The Student Resource Center is available by email at StudentResourceCenter@normandale.edu, call 952-358-9090, or stop by A 1560, 1st Floor - Activities Bldg. (next to the Campus Cupboard). You can also visit the [Student Resource Center](#) website for more details.

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If you have questions, email StudentResourceCenter@normandale.edu or call 952-358-9090.

IMPORTANT DATES/DEADLINES

Mark Your Calendar

- Jan. 9: First day of Spring Semester classes
- Jan. 9-13: [Welcome Week](#)
- Jan. 13: Last day to drop or add a class for full refund
- Jan. 16: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday, no classes
- Jan. 23: *Financial Aid Disbursement



**On financial aid disbursement day, direct deposits are sent to your bank, or disbursement checks are mailed to your permanent address on file. Be sure your permanent address is current by the checking E-services portal.*

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Announce your event! Submit title, time, date, location, and event description to marketing@normandale.edu.
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