

International Student Travel Planning 2026-2027

Opening of School	
Monday, August 31	Preseason athletes arrive between 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. (invitation from coach) Student leaders arrive between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.</i>
Friday, September 4 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (no arrivals after 5:00 p.m.)	Arrival for all new international and new boarding students <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Monday, September 7, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (no arrivals after 3:00 p.m. due to convocation)	Arrival for returning international and other boarding students <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Thanksgiving Break	
Friday, November 20 Break begins at 1:30 p.m.	Students may depart following their final commitment. Optional break programming begins for F-1 visa students choosing to remain on campus. <i>The bus leaves at 2:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 4:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Saturday, November 21	International student departures continue <i>The first bus leaves at 8:00 a.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>The second bus leaves at 3:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 5:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Sunday, November 29 5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international boarding students <i>Shuttle bus departs JFK Airport at 5:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Monday, November 30 8:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.	International student returns continue <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Winter Break	
Thursday, December 17 Break begins at 3:35 p.m.	Students may depart following their final commitment. <i>The bus leaves at 4:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 6:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Friday, December 18 Dorms close promptly at 3:00 p.m.	International student departures continue until dorms close at 3:00 pm <i>The first bus leaves at 8:00 a.m., arriving at JFK Airport at 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>The second bus leaves at 3:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport at 5:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Sunday, January 3 5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international boarding students <i>Shuttle bus departs JFK Airport at 5:00 p.m.</i> <i>Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>

Monday, January 4 8:00 am – 7:30 p.m.	International student returns continue <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Spring Break	
Friday, March 5 Beginning at 3:30 p.m.	Students may depart following their final commitment. Optional break programming begins for F-1 visa students choosing to remain on campus. <i>The bus leaves at 4:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 6:00 p.m. Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Saturday, March 6 Students not remaining for programming should depart by 3:00 p.m.	International student departures continue <i>The first bus leaves at 8:00 a.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 10:00 a.m. The second bus leaves at 3:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 5:00 p.m. Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Sunday, March 21 5:00 – 10:00 p.m.	Earliest return for international boarding students <i>Shuttle bus departs JFK Airport at 5:00 p.m. Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Monday, March 22 8:00 am – 7:30 p.m.	International student returns continue <i>Shuttle buses depart JFK Airport at 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Transportation from BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Summer Vacation	
Friday, June 4 Departures may begin at 12:00 p.m.	Grade 9, 10, and 11 students may depart after the awards ceremony. <i>The bus leaves at 2:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 4:00 p.m. Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>
Saturday, June 5 Dorms close at 3:00 p.m.	Graduating students depart after the Commencement Ceremony <i>The bus leaves at 2:00 p.m., arriving at JFK Airport around 4:00 p.m. Transportation to BDL Airport and Union Station may be available by request</i>

Travel Planning Guidelines:

- Please call the **AOD at 203-627-0145** if travel delays will cause a student to return after curfew.
- Students requesting shuttle service must complete the required forms. Shuttle times may be adjusted prior to travel days based on passenger number and flight times. The transportation coordinator will provide updates.
- In-terminal meeting locations will be available for the opening of schools. For other arrival times, students will meet drivers outside of the terminal.
- Shuttle drivers are unable to provide chaperone services. If your child requires an escort, please arrange through a livery service.
- Please purchase tickets that can be refunded or changed as the school calendars are subject to change.
- Minimum driving times between campus and airports:

BDL (Bradley – Hartford/Springfield, CT) – 45 minutes
JFK (New York City, NY) – 2 hours
BOS (Logan – Boston, MA) – 2 hours
EWR (Newark Liberty – Newark, NJ) – 2 hours 15 minutes