Greetings!

I’m writing to share the START dates for winter 2023/4, spring 2024, and summer 2024. We got some great feedback from our students and families, which helped us make just a few tweaks to our structure. We will share more once we also receive your feedback about START in 2023.

A few things to note before you dive into the dates.

1. There are 3 Sunday dates this cycle since we receive so much positive feedback from families who are unable to take time off to attend START. The advising days are on the following Monday, to allow most of the college advising crew to work on regular workdays.

2. There are only 2 virtual STARTs this cycle, as I wanted to allow for two full weeks off in August in the calendar for the Advising staff. This may mean that they are more full than last year’s cycle.

3. There are only 2 Transfer STARTs in-person, which is due to several factors, including: Transfer STARTs are costlier for us since they usually come with fewer families, as well as the fact that we did not fill all three sessions last summer and we are in a pattern of lower transfer enrollment. Finally, we wanted to keep all START dates together on the schedule to support success in our staffing structures.

4. Additionally, we’ve decided to host Transfer STARTs and Advising days on the same day, using a model more similar to our term orientation and re-working the content to be more streamlined. Thus, you’ll see no follow-up advising day on Transfer STARTs since they’ll be “all in one” instead.

5. As always, we are scheduling around other large events on campus for the summer, which in 2024 includes the Special Olympics and Youth in Christ events in July. You’ll find that’s why Virtual START is placed where it is.

6. All dates are confirmed and locked in, with the exception of our special populations events. We’re working with partners to finalize Hawaii START, Black & Indigenous START, and Bilingüe dates. I’ve put them tentatively on the calendar for now.

7. Black & Indigenous START will no longer be tied to another concurrent START date, but its own stand alone date. While we’re still deciding which date, we’re excited for this development in the program!

8. You’ll see lock dates and other administrative details for winter and spring START 2023/4, but not for Summer yet in the calendar form. If you open the list of dates in a table below, you’ll find them all listed.
I have it in 2 forms for now, so please choose which one works best for you.

1. Printable calendar
2. List of dates in a table

These dates are reflected on our external page now and I’ll be updating and transitioning the internal page in the coming weeks.

Take care!

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Visit with me via Teams during my office hours for Fall term 2023
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2-3pm

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