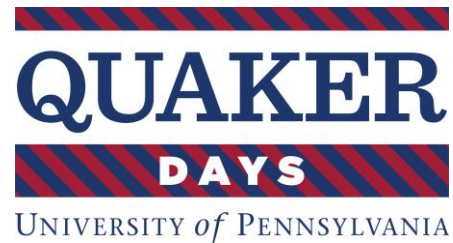


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GENERAL INFORMATION

Q. When are Quaker Days?

A. Quaker Days will be held on campus Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19.

Q. What will happen at Quaker Days?

A. Quaker Days offers a chance to preview your future life at Penn. The experience will introduce you and your guests to the academic, residential, cultural, civic, and extracurricular vitality of Penn, as well as the great city of Philadelphia. It will also give you a chance to connect to the Penn community and your future classmates.

School and Program Welcome Sessions

Wednesday, April 18

10:00 am	School of Nursing and Nursing and Healthcare Management (NHCM)
10:30 am	Vagelos Integrated Program in Energy Research (VIPER)
11:00 am	College of Arts and Sciences
11:00 am	Roy and Diana Vagelos Program in Life Sciences and Management (LSM)
11:00 am	The Wharton School
12:00 pm	Jerome Fisher Program in Management and Technology (M&T)
12:00 pm	School of Engineering and Applied Science
3:00 pm	Huntsman Program in International Studies & Business

Other Wednesday programs include academic events, and interactive sessions with our campus hubs, services, and student organizations. **The Hurrah** welcome, led by Dean Eric J. Furda, will begin at 6:00 pm for students. Parents and guests are encouraged to attend an official Parent and Guest Welcome followed by multiple parent specific programs including an outdoor reception.

Thursday kicks off with a closing event, and students can continue to explore a wide array of programming including faculty talks, open houses, and tours.

Q. When should I plan to arrive?

A. On-site check-in for Quaker Days will open at 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 18 in in [Rockwell Gymnasium \(formerly Hutchinson\) at the Tse Center](#), 219 S 33rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Please consult the opening sessions for your school or program to plan your travel to campus. You may wish to plan to arrive earlier to participate in other academic programming.

Q. When do the Quaker Days events end?

A. The last marquee event hosted by Penn Admissions will take place on Thursday morning and run until approximately 10:00 am. No official Quaker Days programming will be offered after 5:00 pm and check out in Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center will close at 5:00 pm. ***Overnight hosting is not available on Thursday evening.*** You will be expected to check out of your College House and/or pick up your luggage (if you have stored it at Rockwell Gym) and return home, and we hope you will keep in touch! Join the official Class of 2022 Facebook group and follow @previewingpenn (#penn22) across social media for the latest news and connections.

Q. I am unable to stay for the full duration of Quaker Days, may I still come?

A. We hope that you can stay for the full duration of Quaker Days. We understand that for some, previous commitments and conflicts may limit your availability to participate in the full program. Please indicate your planned arrival and departure dates on the registration form.

Q. I am unable to attend Quaker Days on April 18-19. May I visit another time?

A. Absolutely! Please visit the [admitted student website](#) for more information about other visit opportunities. You are also always welcome to [visit](#) campus through our normal visit channels. Please note that no overnight accommodations are available for admitted students outside of and Quaker Days programming.

Q. I cannot visit campus. How else may I connect with Penn?

A. Students who are unable to join us on campus will have opportunities to connect with future classmates, current students, faculty, and staff through various online events. You will be able to get your questions answered, share your story, and imagine yourself on campus as a member of the Class of 2022. Students should join the official Class of 2022 Facebook group and follow @previewingpenn (#penn22) across social media for the latest news and connections. We will host a series of live events in April about life at Penn which you can access through the admitted student Facebook group.

Q. I really want to come to Quaker Days, but can't afford the expense. Are funds available to cover my travel costs?

A. Sponsorship funds are limited. Students who will be sponsored to attend MSP and Quaker Days will be contacted directly by Penn Admissions. If you are not offered sponsorship but determine that you cannot attend due to travel cost, you may e-mail quakerdays@admissions.upenn.edu to make a request for sponsorship consideration. If we are unable to accommodate you, please connect with us by following @previewingpenn on Facebook and Instagram, and join the official Class of 2022 Facebook group. We will host a series of live events in April about life at Penn which you can access through the admitted student Facebook group.

WHO IS INVITED?

Q. Who is invited to attend Quaker Days?

A. All admitted Regular Decision and QuestBridge Match students are invited to Quaker Days. In addition, all Early Decision students admitted to the School of Nursing, Nursing & Health Care Management, the Huntsman Program in International Studies & Business, the Vagelos Integrated Program in Energy Research, the Vagelos Program in Life Sciences & Management, and the Jerome Fisher Program in Management & Technology are invited to Quaker Days. Every student admitted to Penn is invited to attend one program.

Q. A friend of mine was invited to come to campus a day early for the Multicultural Scholars Preview (MSP). What is MSP and who is invited?

A. Regular Decision admitted students who are US citizens and permanent residents, and who identify as African American, Latino, Native American, Native Hawaiian, Alaska Native, or as members of traditionally underrepresented Asian and Pacific Islander backgrounds, are invited to participate in the Quaker Days Multicultural Scholars Preview. We are proud to offer this event for students from historically underrepresented populations who share a passion for honoring culture and identity.

Q. My friend was admitted Early Decision to Penn. Why isn't she invited to Quaker Days?

A. Early Decision students accepted to single-degree programs in the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Engineering and Applied Science, and the Wharton School as well as the Artificial Intelligence, Digital Media Design, and Networked and Social Systems Engineering programs were invited to attend ConnectED Quaker Day in February. Every student admitted to Penn is invited to one program.

REGISTRATION

Q. Do I need to register to attend Quaker Days?

A. Yes! To register, please use the link on the Quaker Days webpage or through your Penn Applicant Portal. Please indicate which days you will be attending and your travel plans to get to campus. You are able to return to your registration form and update it at any time.

There is a priority registration deadline of April 6, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EDT. Registering by this deadline ensures that you will be provided an overnight host, should you choose to request one. If you register past this deadline, we will attempt to find you a host if requested, but you will need to plan on making alternate overnight arrangements.

If you forget or misplace your logon information, please send an email message to eapps@admissions.upenn.edu with your full name, Common App ID, date of birth and the email address you used to apply.

Q. What information do I need to register?

A. You will be asked information about your arrival and departure dates, specific travel plans, guest information and special needs. You will also be required to upload a current picture of yourself.

If you will be 18 years old by April 17, 2018, you must sign a Student Consent Form indicating your understanding of the rules and regulations. If you are under the age of 18 by April 17, 2018, permission to participate must be granted by your parent or guardian. Both you and your parent must sign consent forms acknowledging your understanding of the rules and regulations.

Q. May I register if I have not yet confirmed my travel plans?

A. Absolutely! If you know that you are able to attend Quaker Days but have not confirmed your travel plans, feel free to register.

Q. What happens if I register after the priority deadline?

A. There is a priority registration deadline of April 6, 2018 at 5:00 pm EDT. Registering by this deadline ensures that you will be provided an overnight host, should you choose to request one. If you register past this deadline, we will attempt to find you a host if requested, but you will need to plan on making alternate overnight arrangements. If we are able to find you a host, we will contact you to let you know that you have received a hosting assignment and you can cancel your alternate arrangements.

Q. I received a likely admissions letter to Penn. May I register for Quaker Days?

A. As an applicant who received a likely letter, this means that with your continued academic success and good standing in your school and community, we intend to officially admit you to the Class of 2022 on March 28, 2018. Registration for Quaker Days opens on March 15, 2018 for likely admitted students, so you can plan ahead to join in the fun and take advantage of more economical air and rail fares. Please note that only students officially admitted to Penn will be allowed to attend.

Q. Why do I need to submit a picture at registration? Are there any specifications for how the picture should look?

A. A picture is necessary so that our College Houses and Campus Security know who you are and can verify you as a Quaker Days participant. Please submit a current picture that is a clear head shot similar to a school photo or driver's license. It does not need to be a professional photo but should provide a clear image of your face from the front. Non-distorted selfies are welcome. Remember that you will need to bring an official school ID or state-issued photo ID to Quaker Days.

Q. When does registration close for Quaker Days?

A. Registration will remain open until we have met capacity. However, you must register by April 6, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. EDT to guarantee an overnight host. If you register past this time, we cannot guarantee hosted accommodations.

Q. I registered for Quaker Days, but have not yet signed Permission and Consent forms.

A. If you are under 18 on April 18, 2018, you and a parent/guardian must sign Permission and Consent forms by Wednesday, April 11 in order to participate in Quaker Days. Forms may be signed electronically or a picture/ image of the signed consent form may be uploaded on the registration site.

Q. I have special dietary needs. Where can I include that information and what accommodations will be available?

A. Please specify special needs on the registration form. Food preference options such as vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and nut-free are accommodated at all dining halls. Kosher meals are served at the Falk Dining Commons in Hillel at Steinhardt Hall on 39th Street between Locust Walk and Walnut Street.

You are welcome to reach out to our dining hall dietitian, Daniel Connolly, Daniel.connolly@cafebonappetit.com, to get information about the food that will be available to you on campus. For catered events, we will attempt to accommodate as many requests as we can and will reach out to you should we have any questions.

Q. I will need accessibility accommodations. Where can I include those?

A. There is a place in the registration form to include information regarding mobility or accessibility needs. A member of our staff will reach out to you directly to confirm accommodations we will be able to provide.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Q. Please tell me more about the overnight component of Quaker Days. May I stay overnight in a College House with a current Penn undergraduate?

A. Students residing in our College Houses across campus have volunteered to host admitted students participating in Quaker Days. We encourage you to take advantage of this insider's opportunity to experience residential life at Penn! If you would like for us to arrange for you to stay with a current Penn undergraduate, please indicate on your registration form, and register by April 6.

You will be matched with a student host in advance of the program. Prior to your arrival, you will be e-mailed contact information for your host. Please keep an eye out for this important email message with subject line "Your Quaker Days Host Information!" and be sure to share host contact information with your family and remember to bring it with you to campus.

All students participating in Quaker Days are expected to abide by campus rules governing student conduct. In addition, Quaker Days attendees are expected to return to assigned College House residences by 12:00 midnight.

Accommodations in the College Houses are for admitted students only. None of your guests can or will be accommodated in the College Houses.

Q. I prefer to make my own housing arrangements or my friend has invited me to stay at his/her College House. Is this okay?

A. You are welcome to make your own housing arrangements on or off campus. If you have a friend who is a current student at Penn who agrees in advance to host you during your Quaker Days stay, you must include their name and contact information on the registration form. Our office will reach out to your friend to confirm that they are willing to host you during your stay. If you miss the priority registration deadline, you can still request to stay with your friend through the registration form.

Please be advised that you will still need to check in upon arrival to receive credentials necessary for your stay.

Q. May I request to be housed in a specific College House?

A. Due to the anticipated high demand for housing during Quaker Days, and capacity restrictions in the College Houses, we are unable to accommodate requests to be housed in specific College Houses.

GUESTS

Q. Am I allowed to bring a guest(s) with me to Quaker Days?

A. Yes! We welcome you to bring a parent or guardian to accompany you to Quaker Days. Due to space limitations, you are allowed to bring up to two guests. You must provide your guest's information when you register. Please note, applicants who are waitlisted or were denied admission to Penn are not permitted to register for Quaker Days or attend as guests. In addition, students previously invited to ConnectED Quaker Day are not allowed to register for Quaker Days or attend as guests.

Q. Will there be programming for parents and guests?

A. Absolutely! The core content of Quaker Days is geared towards students admitted to Penn, but there will be plenty of programming for parents and guests including, but not limited to:

Wednesday, April 18th

3:00 pm	Parent and Guest Welcome
4:15 pm	Optional Parent and Guest Programming
6:30 pm	Parent and Guest Reception

Wednesday programs include undergraduate school and specialized academic program sessions and open houses of particular interest to parents and guardians. During the Parent and Guest Welcome and Optional Programs, campus administration will share insights on a broad range of topics important for new Quaker parents and guests, including housing and dining, academic and career resources, and campus safety. A casual meet-and-greet reception will follow at 6:30 pm with opportunities to speak with members of the panels, admissions staff, and the Penn Parents team. This will allow parents who are dropping off their students to receive valuable information without needing to stay for the full duration of Quaker Days.

Parents of students who are first in the family to attend college may also wish to attend a program sponsored by the First Generation, Low Income Program (FGLI) on Thursday at 10:00 am.

During your visit, be sure to stop by the **Parents and Guests Lounge in Houston Hall, Reading Room available from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**. Guests are also highly encouraged to explore our great city. Philadelphia offers many attractions from the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall to the Philadelphia Museum of Art and the Barnes Foundation. Here is a list of some of our favorite places and activities: [Must-See Places & Local Phenomena](#).

Please be aware that due to space limitations some Quaker Days events will be open to students only.

Q. Where can my family stay during their visit?

A. Parents and guests are responsible for their own accommodations. For hotel suggestions, visit [our website](#).

TRANSPORTATION

Q. How do I get to Philadelphia?

A. Penn's campus can be reached by air, rail, bus or car. Conveniently located in University City, West Philadelphia, our campus has easy access to 30th Street Train Station (served by Amtrak, SEPTA, and NJ Transit), US I-76, and the Philadelphia International Airport. Quaker Days check-in will be located in [Rockwell Gymnasium \(formerly Hutchinson\) at the Tse Center](#), 219 S 33rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. [Directions and Parking](#).

Q. We will be driving to Penn. Where can we park our car?

A. Please see [our website](#) for a list and map of parking garages on and around campus. The area in front of Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center (33rd Street between Spruce and Walnut) is a designated **drop-off only** location. Families are advised to either seek parking prior to check-in OR to drop-off their student at Rockwell Gym and seek parking while their student checks-in.

Q. I am arriving by airplane at the Philadelphia International Airport. How do I get to campus?

A. Transportation to the Penn Campus from the Philadelphia International Airport is convenient and easy. You may choose to take the SEPTA Regional Rail or a taxi cab (see further information below).

Penn Quaker Days – Airport Hospitality Booth: On Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm EDT, Quaker Days volunteers sporting Red and Blue gear will be on hand [in Terminal C near](#) the US Airways Customer Service Center and across from baggage carousel G.

SEPTA Train: Convenient SEPTA Regional Rail transportation is available from the Airport to the University City station located on the Penn campus. After boarding the train, a conductor will ask you to purchase a ticket. The fare for the ride from Philadelphia International Airport to University City station is \$8.00 and must be paid in cash. After exiting the University City station, walk west on South

Street before turning north onto 33rd Street. South Street becomes Spruce Street. Quaker Days check-in is located in Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Taxi: If you prefer to take a cab to campus, the flat rate charge for a ride from the Airport to Center City or Penn campus is \$28.50 (and *from* Airport only, \$1 for each additional passenger), (plus tip). Depending upon traffic, the metered charge can range from \$29 and more (including tip). The check-in location for Quaker Days is Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

Q. I am arriving by train or bus at 30th Street Station. How do I get to campus?

A. Once you arrive in Philadelphia, Quaker Days volunteers in Red & Blue gear may be there to greet you, or please stop by the Information kiosk located in the center of 30th Street Station to confirm directions. Exit on the Market Street side of the station and walk west on Market Street through the Drexel University campus. At 33rd Street, turn left and walk south towards the Penn campus, cross Chestnut Street, cross Walnut Street, and you will arrive to Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center at 219 S 33rd Street. The walk is approximately 15 minutes.

If you prefer to take a taxi to campus, cab fare from 30th Street Station to Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street, is approximately \$8 - \$10 (including tip).

Public transportation options are also available via the SEPTA Green Line Trolley and Market-Frankford subway.

Q. I'm taking a SEPTA Green Line Trolley to campus. What's the closest stop to Rockwell Gym?

A. Get off at 33rd and Market and walk south to cross Chestnut Street, cross Walnut Street, and arrive to Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street.

Q. I'm taking SEPTA's Market-Frankford subway to campus. What's the closest stop to Rockwell Gym?

A. Get off at 34th and Market and walk east to 33rd street. Turn south on 33rd to cross Chestnut Street, cross Walnut Street, and arrive to Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street.

Q. I am arriving by bus at the terminal located at 1001 Filbert Street. How do I get to campus?

A. Public transportation options are available, but you may find it easiest to take a taxi to campus. The metered charge for a cab ride from Filbert Street to the Penn campus is approximately \$15 - \$17 (including tip). On-site check-in is located at Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center, 219 S 33rd Street.

Q. What do I need to know about going home?

A. Please note pertinent details as you arrive by air, train, bus, car, etc., so you are prepared to make the reverse trip on your own at the conclusion of your Quaker Days stay. For recommendations on how to return, please stop by one of our help desks on campus or Rockwell Gymnasium (formerly Hutchinson) at the Tse Center at 219 S 33rd Street.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?

Q. Will bedding and linens be provided for me?

A. You are responsible for bringing your own bedding. We highly recommend that you bring a sleeping bag and pillow as you will be staying in a dorm room with a current undergraduate and may be sleeping on a floor.

Q. How should I dress for Quaker Days?

A. High school attire is perfectly acceptable. April in Philadelphia can sometimes be chilly, so check the [weather](#) forecast in advance and bring a sweater and coat. Please also be mindful to wear comfortable shoes as we have many brick and cobblestone walkways throughout campus, including the famed Locust Walk. And don't forget, we'd love to see you in your Red and Blue attire! Go Quakers!

Q. What should I pack?

A. Quaker Days Checklist:

- School- or government-issued photo ID card* (Examples: state-issued driver's license or school ID card) *without this you cannot pass through airport security or stay overnight on campus
- Printed copies of all travel itineraries, tickets, and documents
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Medical insurance card or information
- Towel, wash cloth, soap, and other toiletries
- Required medicines, if necessary
- Everyday clothing, including a jacket (weather pending), comfortable shoes, and your favorite Red and Blue attire!
- Cell phone and charger
- Spending money (this will be for any purchases you make outside of Quaker Days, such as snacks or any Penn gear that you want to buy while on campus)
- Contact information for your student host

Please keep in mind that you will be staying in a dorm room with a current undergraduate and space will be limited. You will be expected to transport your own belongings, so please do not over-pack or bring an excess of items!

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I ARRIVE ON CAMPUS?

Q. Where do I check-in?

A. Check-in for Quaker Days takes place at [Rockwell Gymnasium \(formerly Hutchinson\) at the Tse Center](#), 219 S 33rd Street and opens 7:00 am on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19. Upon check-in, you will receive your Quaker Days program with campus map, Quaker Days Card to use for College House and dining access, Penn gear, and other helpful hints.

Q. When do I meet my host?

A. We suggest that you plan to meet your host in or around Rockwell Gymnasium upon your arrival to campus. It is important that you communicate your travel plans and anticipated arrival to campus to your host in advance. If your host is unavailable to meet at your time of arrival, you can meet between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm or 8:00 pm and 9:00 pm. You will be able to store your belongings in Rockwell Gymnasium until you are able to meet your host.

Q. What does my Quaker Days Card do?

A. The Quaker Days card grants you access to your College House, libraries, and dining facilities. This card will not grant access to any accompanying guests.

Q. During Quaker Days, what dining options are available?

A. At Rockwell Gymnasium, you will receive information on Penn dining services. To access meals, you will be asked to swipe your Quaker Days Card.

Your Quaker Days Card will be pre-loaded with funds to cover meals that are not otherwise provided during your Quaker Days stay. Be sure to spend your funds wisely! The funds are for your use only and are not to be shared with current undergraduates, guests or other Quaker Days participants.

Q. Will I be able to walk to Quaker Days events located on the Penn campus?

A. Yes! The Penn campus is *very* walkable. Our academic and administrative buildings, College Houses, dining facilities, and parking garages are within a 5 to 10 minute walk from Rockwell Gym. A campus map is available [here](#).

Q. My parents and I have questions about my financial aid package. Is it possible to meet with a representative of Student Financial Services during Quaker Days?

A. Families with questions may stop by Student Financial Services on Wednesday or Thursday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT, or call 215-898-1988 to schedule an appointment with a Student Financial Services counselor in advance. Student Financial Services is located in the Franklin Building, Room 100, 3451 Walnut Street.

Q. What's the best way to stay up to date on the schedule?

A. The Quaker Days App is your go-to source for a complete list of Quaker Days events and is updated on a daily basis. It's loaded with information about campus resources and communities, biographies of Penn faculty and student organizations hosting events, and campus contact information.

Q. How do I download and access the Quaker Days App?

A. The Quaker Days App is free and *available in early April* by visiting <http://www.admissions.upenn.edu/admitted/quakerdays/mobileapp>, or searching "Quaker Days 2018" on your device's App Store. You can access a web browser friendly version of the App for computers at <https://quakerdays.gatherdigital.com>. You will need to enter your email address and password "PENN22" (all uppercase) to access the Quaker Day App's content. Students, parents, and

guardians should use the email from the Penn Application or the email provided during Quaker Days registration. Need help with the App? Don't have a smart phone? Please visit us at Rockwell Gym.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT QUAKER DAYS?

Q. If I have questions or need assistance *before* Quaker Days, what's the best way to reach Penn?

A. Contact Quaker Days at quakerdays@admissions.upenn.edu or call Penn Admissions at **215-898-7507** (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT).

Q. If I have questions or need assistance *during* Quaker Days, what's the best way to reach Penn?

A. **Quaker Days Hotline (April 17-19 only, 24 hours): 215-898-2973**

Quaker Days Check-In/Check-Out (April 17-19):

Location: [Rockwell Gymnasium \(formerly Hutchinson\) at the Tse Center](#), 219 S 33rd Street

Tuesday 7:30 am to 6:00 pm EDT

Wednesday 7:00 am to 7:00 pm EDT

Thursday 7:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

Quaker Days Help Desks:

Tuesday, April 17

Rockwell Gym 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

36th Street Tent (Love Statue) 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

Houston Hall, Reading Room 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm EDT

Wednesday, April 18

Rockwell Gym 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

34th & Walnut St. Tent 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

36th Street Tent (Love Statue) 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

37th & Locust St. Tent 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

Houston Hall, Reading Room 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm EDT

Thursday, April 19

Rockwell Gym 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

34th & Walnut St. Tent 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

36th Street Tent (Love Statue) 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

37th & Locust St. Tent 9:00 am to 5:00 pm EDT

Emergencies: Penn Public Safety - In an emergency, dial **511** from any campus phone, pick up a "Blue Light" phone found in strategic locations across campus, or dial **215-573-3333** from any non-campus phone.

General Public Safety information: 215-898-7297

We did our best to anticipate many of the questions you might have. If you have questions or require additional assistance, please reach out to us at quakerdays@admissions.upenn.edu, **215-898-7507**, or (April 17-19 only) **215-898-2973**.