



REPORT OF THE W&M STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE
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Highlighted Student Assembly Initiatives for Spring 2023

UndocuAlly Training for New Student Orientation Staff

Student Assembly is working with the Office of Student Transition Engagement Programs to provide UndocuAlly training in order to ensure that our Orientation staff is equipped to provide this unique student population. We are partnering with W&M Fighting for Immigrant Rights and Equity (WMFIRE), a student population, to facilitate these training sessions. Some topics covered include, being a good ally and supporter, what to do if U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement is present on campus, and the use of more inclusive language and topics.

Bilingual Admissions Tours & University Resources

We recognize that the sense of belonging for members of the William & Mary community can begin during the college search process. To make non-English speaking supporters of prospective students feel more included during the college search process, we are advocating for bilingual tours and more accessible resources. We plan on working with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions to start this program during high-density visit days, such as Day For Admitted Students (DFAS) and Fall Focus days. Student Assembly strongly believes that all University events, programming, resources, and materials should be made accessible to our diverse populations.

Subsidized Transportation for Off-Campus Medical Appointments

In an effort to increase accessibility and remove financial barriers for students to attend off-campus medical appointments, we are working with stakeholders to help reduce costs for students. This initiative serves as a part of a larger conversation to best support low-income students. We believe that every step must be taken to ensure an equitable experience for all students.

Student Support for the National Pan-Hellenic Council Garden

Student Assembly is excited to be working with the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC), campus partners in Student Affairs, and University Advancement to explore increasing support and funding for the [NPHC Garden](#). We urge University partners to put this project at the forefront of fundraising efforts and discussions.

“The creation of the National Pan-Hellenic Council Garden raises the visibility of historically Black fraternities and sororities at William & Mary and celebrates their contributions to our campus community — past, present and future. The garden will serve as a visible representation of NPHC organizations on campus, relaying history and acknowledging rich traditions.”

Traditions New & Old*Charter Day Celebration: ‘Green & Gold Bash’*

Student Assembly, with support from Alma Mater Productions and the Charter Day Planning Committee, is hosting campus-wide celebration following the Charter Day Ceremony. We are encouraging all members of our community to join us for live music, give-aways, food, and more! An inaugural Royal Court will also be crowned consisting of five students who have been nominated by student organizations and voted on by the community. Final-round voting will take place during the Charter Day Ceremony and the Green & Gold Bash to encourage student participation.

Royal Ball

Formerly known as the King & Queen Ball, this campus tradition will take place for the first time since the start of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The entire student body celebrates the end of the academic year with this formal party. Held under the stars in the Sunken Garden, the celebration includes food, live music, and dancing late into the night. The party is capped off by a toast from the President and a rousing chorus of the Alma Mater.