



PRECOLLEGE DISCOVERY FAQs

After reviewing the Handbook and FAQs, email precollege@ringling.edu for the fastest response.

What are the dates for the PreCollege 2025 Program?

June 21 - July 17, 2026.

How much does the PreCollege program cost?

Please read the total fees on our website at www.ringling.edu/precollegediscovery.

What are the requirements for PreCollege Acceptance?

Must be 15-18 years of age and currently enrolled in the 9th-12th grades in high school.

Can international students attend PreCollege?

Yes! Students from all over the world attend this program each year.

Does one need a portfolio to get into PreCollege?

No, the intention is to provide skill development for students to create their best portfolio.

Will this program enable one to have what is needed for a portfolio to apply to art colleges?

You may find that many of your completed pieces are portfolio worthy for the application process.

What % of applications are accepted into the summer program?

Very few students are denied acceptance. It is important to follow the application enrollment instructions to secure space once an acceptance is offered.

LIVING ON CAMPUS

Is there a curfew on campus?

Yes. See page 25 in the Handbook.

Can students leave campus to see the city?

No, students may not leave campus.

Am I able to leave campus or have a guest visit campus?

Due to the brief and intensive nature of PreCollege Discovery, students are prohibited from leaving campus or having guests.

I have specific dietary requirements; will I be able to eat on-campus meals?

Yes. Meals are cafeteria-style, and students may choose from a range of traditional and vegetarian options at each meal. Students will have access to a fridge and microwave in their residence.

Students with special dietary restrictions must monitor their own meals, however the College will make sure that options for those with dietary restrictions are always available. Please be sure to complete the Food Allergy section in the Parental Consent form if you have any dietary restrictions. Students with dietary restrictions are required to attend a lunch meeting with staff from Cunniffe Commons during orientation.

Do I need to bring a laptop or a tablet?

No, however, if you have a preferred laptop or tablet, please bring this to campus. Students will have access to computer labs on a regular basis for assignments, research and communications.

Do I need a mobile phone?

A U.S. mobile phone is required for students to have access to announcements and the emergency broadcast system.

Can I ship my items prior to arriving at campus for check-in?

Students may ship non-perishable items to themselves one week prior to the start of PreCollege Discovery. Packages will be available at the mailroom once you are checked in.