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CEDARVILLE, OHIO – Cedarville University will welcome close to 900 new students Friday, Aug. 19, for the start of the 2016-17 academic year.

The new group of freshmen and transfer students will check into their residence halls and participate in forums throughout the weekend. These forums will help acquaint the new students with the campus and university policies, procedures and culture. One highlight to Friday's experience is seeing university president Dr. Thomas White zipline across a part of campus.

More than 300 student leaders will assist the new students into their residence halls. In addition, formal class registration will take place in the Doden Field House, and students will receive their room key, I.D. card, and turn in their health forms. Members of the information technology team will also be in the Field House to assist in optimizing student laptops and mobile devices for use on Cedarville’s network.

Once the new students are in their residence hall, they, along with parents, will have the opportunity to attend informational sessions on student employment, academic policies, on-campus technology, student life involvement and parenting from a distance.

White will host a question and answer session Friday evening prior to the annual Jacket Fest—a gathering meant to familiarize freshmen and transfers with student leaders, the campus and the Village of Cedarville.

Jacket Fest will include a zip line, inflatable games and a village-wide scavenger hunt. On Saturday evening, all new freshmen will gather around the clock near Cedar Lake for the annual class picture. Dr. White will also challenge the students moments before they embark on the Jacket Jaunt, a march of unity from the Stevens Student Center to the Dixon Ministry Center.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 3,711 undergraduate, graduate and online students in more than 100 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.