



THE 2025 GOVERNOR'S
COMPUTER SCIENCE INSTITUTE

WVU Honors Hall
250 Second Street, PO Box 6635
Morgantown, WV 26506-6635
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Dear GCSI student,

Congratulations again on being selected to attend the 2025 Governor's Computer Science Institute! We hope you are excited to take part in this one-of-a-kind experience in which you will learn, meet peers with similar interests, and have a great deal of fun in the process. Many wonderful activities are planned, so get ready to have a spectacular time!

We have a few details to help you plan for your arrival and stay in Morgantown. We have included important information in this mailing packet. We ask that parents and students both read through and become familiar with the information included in this packet.

Your packet should include the following documents:

- ☐ Schedule for the opening day and the closing day
- ☐ Directions to the Honors Hall in Morgantown
- ☐ Instructions for moving in and moving out
- ☐ List of what to pack
- ☐ Map of downtown Morgantown

If you have any questions, please e-mail Gretchen Gibson, Program Director, at ggibson@k12.wv.us.

We look forward to seeing you this summer!



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Opening and Closing Day Schedules:

Opening Day Agenda: Sunday, July 6

12:00-2:30 PM Registration and Check-In to Honors Hall

3:00 PM Opening Ceremony--Reynolds Hall

Students will attend the opening ceremony with their families. Reynolds Hall is the new business building that is located across the main road from West Virginia University's downtown campus. There is a parking lot, and parents may park there for free since the opening ceremony is happening over a weekend. GCSI faculty and staff will help direct students and parents to the building's auditorium. At the conclusion of the opening ceremony (around 3:30pm), families will leave and GCSI will officially begin!

Closing Day Agenda: Saturday, July 12

10:00-11:00 AM Presentation of Research—Reynold's Hall

Parents are welcome to come to view the students' research projects. The location will be the same as the opening ceremony; however, GCSI faculty and staff will be on hand to direct parents to the building's auditorium, if needed.

11:00AM-12:00PM GCSI staff will have a place where parents need to check their students out, pick up their student's medications, and return their student's room key. **No students are permitted to leave before checking out and ensuring student have all of their belongings. GCSI cannot be responsible for gathering and returning personal items left behind.**

12:00 PM All students must be moved out of the Honors Hall.



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Honors Hall

The Governor's Computer Science Institute students will be living in the Honors Hall, which serves as the Honors College residence hall and houses the Honors College office. The rooms are two-bedroom suites connected by a bathroom. These rooms have hardwood floors and air-conditioning. The Honors Hall has laundry facilities, but we do not plan on providing students with time to do laundry; therefore, students should plan to bring clothes for the week and will not need to do laundry during their stay.

Meals and snacks will be provided for students each day.

Move-in Instructions:

Use the Honors Hall turn-in on 2nd Street (please have someone stay in the car) for unloading your luggage, while your student comes into Honors Hall to check in.

Once your student has his/her key and the luggage has been removed from the vehicle, you will need to move to a more permanent parking spot -- this makes room for others to unload their luggage in the turnaround. There is metered parking along Grant Street beside the building, as well as short-term parking lots to which the staff can direct you. Have a passenger stay with the luggage, and begin the move to the check-in area. There will be carts available to make the move easier, but please return them as soon as possible so other students can make use of them. We hope that this will provide the most efficient way possible to move all the students into the Honors Hall. Thank you for your cooperation!

Move-out Instructions:

You will need to park in the metered spots on the street, or in the paid short-term parking lot across the street. When moving your child out, you may use the turn-in, but you will need to be careful to make sure that there is someone with the car



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at all times, and that you are being considerate of other parents wanting to use the turn-in.

We hope that this will provide the most efficient way possible to move students in and out of the Honors Hall. We appreciate your patience and ask for your cooperation to make sure everything goes smoothly.

Directions to Honors Hall in Morgantown:

FROM I-68, merge with I-79 north and follow the directions below from I-79.

FROM I-79, take **Exit 155 (Star City/ West Virginia University)** and proceed through Star City (past University Town Centre and two Sheetz gas stations). Continue past the Coliseum on **Monongahela Blvd/ Beechurst Ave** (Monongahela Blvd eventually becomes Beechurst). You will pass under the PRT tracks. Immediately after you pass Advanced Auto Parts, you will see a turn lane appear. Enter this turn lane and **turn left onto 8th Street**. Go up 8th Street and **turn right onto Grant Street**. It is a one-way street; continue straight past several stop signs until you see a sign for GCSI or GCSI staff. **Turn right onto 2nd Street**. The front entrance of the Honors Hall is on your left. Please use the front turn-in driveway to unload luggage, then proceed to park your car in a metered space on Grant or another lot. GCSI staff will be located in this area to help with unloading luggage and directing traffic.

The physical address of Honors Hall is not very reliable. Thus, please use our neighbor's address for your GPS devices; Summit Hall, 211 Grant Avenue Morgantown, WV 26505.



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Packing List

See below for what students should bring, what they may want to bring, and what they cannot bring with them to GCSI this summer.

STUDENTS SHOULD BRING:

- Please bring a laptop, Chromebook, or iPad to use for GCSI. If you own one that you would like to bring, then that is fine. If you do not own one and/or do not want to bring it, then please request that your county board of education allow you to borrow the item to bring to the program.
- Bed Linens (for a Twin Size XL Bed)
- Towels and Washcloths for Bathing
- Walking Shoes for Walking around Campus and on Field Trips
- Sunscreen
- Reusable Water Bottle
- Alarm Clock or Cell Phone with an Alarm
- Comfortable Clothing for Various Types of Weather
- Business Casual Clothing for the Research Presentations at the Closing Ceremony
- Umbrella and/or a Rain Jacket.
- Active Wear Clothing and Shoes that are Appropriate for Outdoor Summer Activities
- Personal Toiletries (Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant, etc.)

STUDENTS MAY WANT TO BRING:

- Cell Phone (NOTE: Please see the cell phone policy as stated in the Handbook for specifics about how and when cell phones may be used.)
- Shoes (such as Flip Flops) and a Caddy for the Shower
- Money for a WV Black Bears Baseball Game for Additional Food, Drinks, or Souvenirs
 - NOTE: The Black Bears ticket and \$10 in "Black Bears Bucks" (that can be used for snacks and drinks) will be provided for each student. If students would like to purchase additional items, then they need to bring money.

STUDENTS MAY NOT BRING:

- Electronic Devices for Dorm Rooms (Portable Heaters, Microwaves, Lamps, Toasters, etc.)
- Pets
- Musical Instruments
- Weapons and/or Fireworks



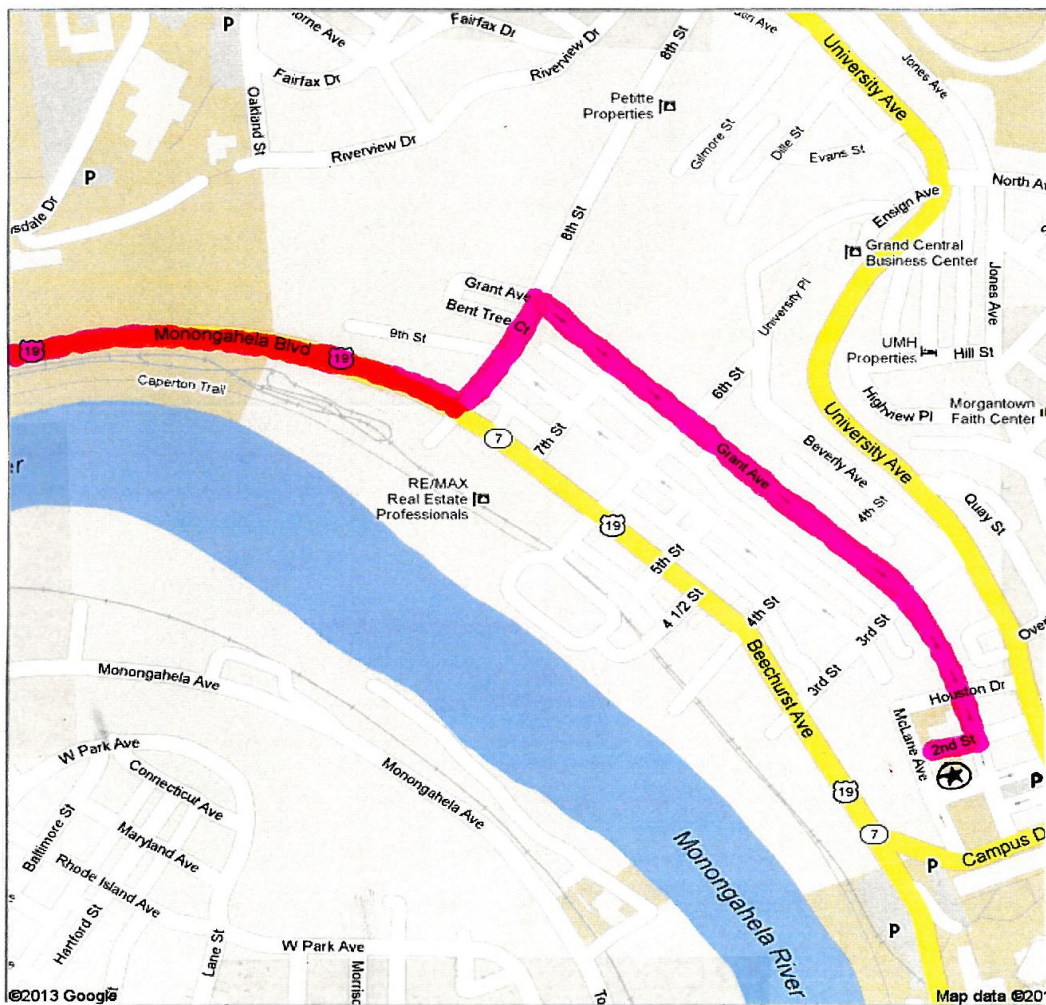
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- Any Clothing or Other Materials that are Inappropriate in Content and/or Demonstrates Hatred Toward any Group, Race, Religion, etc.

Map/Directions to the Honors Hall Facility



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