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SALVE REGINA WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS AND PARENTS  
DURING SUMMER ORIENTATION; FRESHMAN CLASS IS LARGEST

Salve Regina - The Newport College is sponsoring a series of on-campus, orientation sessions for new students and their parents. Approximately 825 freshmen and parents have attended six, two-day sessions during July. This is the first year for the new program, designed to assist students in their transition to college life and to offer important information about the College's mission, services and educational opportunities. Salve is one of just a few colleges nationwide to hold orientation days for both students and parents.

This spring undergraduate applications for fall 1981 were up 40% at Salve, compared to a 7% increase for private colleges nationwide.

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Four-hundred-sixteen freshmen, the largest number of freshmen in the history of the College, are expected to attend classes beginning September 9. Most of these new students will be full-time resident students, increasing the total number of full-time resident students by at least 200. Total enrollment is expected to exceed 2000.

During orientation, students and parents met with faculty, students and administrators, gained academic advising and attended sessions on college activities, study skills, academic support services, career planning, placement and financial aid.

This orientation period was lauded by students and parents alike. Parent Mary Ahern, Melrose, Mass., perhaps summed it up best when she said, "I have a wonderful feeling about the College after attending these sessions. And my daughter Julie has already met two new friends. Now when she comes back in September, she won't be alone."

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