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### **Morgantown Police Prepare for WVU Move-In Weekend and Fall Fest**

MORGANTOWN – The boys, and girls, are back in town. West Virginia University students are flooding into Morgantown to nearly double the city’s population.

During move-in weekend, traffic will be congested and extra pedestrians will be on the roadways. The City of Morgantown asks drivers, bikers, and pedestrians to use caution and patience while navigating the streets.

Morgantown Police Officers will be out in full force. Police Chief Ed Preston says that the department will have eight extra officers on duty each day this weekend, in addition to the regularly scheduled officers. There will also be special details for traffic and Alcohol and Noise control.

“The Morgantown Police Department welcomes the Students and Families returning to campus for the fall semester and encourages everyone to be careful and conscientious.” Chief Preston continued, “we remind everyone that the use of electronic devices while operating a motor vehicle is unlawful and that the public consumption of alcoholic beverages is illegal. Officer will be vigilant and issues citations for these violations.”

West Virginia University’s annual Fall Fest will be on Tuesday, August 15 from 5:00 to 9:30 p.m. on the fields behind the Student Recreation Center. WVU Arts and Entertainment will release the performing acts later today (August 11) and send out a separate advisory detailing media guidelines on Monday, August 14.

The first day of classes is scheduled for Wednesday, August 16.

Morgantown streets will be congested for the entirety of the WVU school year. There are several informational measures the city has taken to help students and residents have a safe and enjoyable season, including [pedestrian safety techniques](#) and [tips from Code Enforcement Officers](#).

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