



DIVE INTO DOLPHIN LIFE

STUDENT ACTIVITIES FALL 2026



August 2026

Student Life Events

- 17-21 Welcome Back Week** COA Gear & Snacks for Fall 2026 Year (All Campuses)
- 17 "Healthy Snack for the Student on the Go"** Pick up a healthy snack at information table(s)
COA - Currituck, Dare and Edenton-Chowan
- 17 Ice Cream Day** "I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream"
COA - Elizabeth City (Behind the Dolphins Den), 12pm - 1pm
- 18 "Friend-Chip Goals"** Pick up a bag of chips at information table(s)
COA - Dare, Edenton-Chowan and Elizabeth City
- 18 Ice Cream Day** "I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream"
COA - Currituck (Parking lot in between Aviation building and Public Safety Building), 12pm - 1pm
- 19 "Snap, Crackle and Pop"** Pick up a rice krispie treat at information table(s)
COA - Currituck, Edenton-Chowan and Elizabeth City
- 19 Ice Cream Day** "I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream"
COA - Dare (Outside of Main Building), 12pm - 1pm
- 20 "WEL-GUM Back to School"** Pick up some gum at information table(s)
COA - Currituck, Dare and Elizabeth City
- 20 Ice Cream Day** "I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream"
COA - Edenton-Chowan (Outside of D Building), 12pm - 1pm
- 21 "COA Gear"** Wear COA Colors - Blue and Orange (All Campuses)
- 31 Student Club Fair** More information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update
COA - Edenton-Chowan, 11:30am - 12:30pm

Workshops

- 26 "Title IX: Safe Spaces, Strong Voices"**
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm



Notes:

***COA student ID required for all student life events.**

August 2026

See the descriptions above for dates, times, locations, and event details.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Welcome Back Week					
	I Scream, You Scream, We All Scream for Ice Cream					
	Pick up a treat at information table(s)					
					COA Gear	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Title IX: Safe Spaces, Strong Voices			
30	31					
	Student Club Fair					

September 2026

Student Life Events

- 1 **Student Club Fair** More information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update
COA - Elizabeth City, 11:30am - 12:30pm
- 2 **Student Club Fair** More information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update
COA - Currituck (Aviation Building), 11:30am - 12:30pm
- 3 **Student Club Fair** More information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update
COA - Dare, 11:30am - 12:30pm
- 9 **Sit, Sip and Chat** with COA President, Dr. Jack Bagwell and Mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktail!)
COA - Edenton-Chowan (Dolphins Lounge), 1pm - 2pm
- 17 **Constitution Day** Constitution Day Information and Games located at information table(s) (All Campuses)
- 22 **Sit, Sip and Chat** with COA President, Dr. Jack Bagwell and Mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktail!)
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 1pm - 2pm
- 23 **Sit, Sip and Chat** with COA President, Dr. Jack Bagwell and Mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktail!)
COA - Dare (Student Lounge in Main Building), 1pm - 2pm
- 25 **COA Star Nights** Join us for a fun and educational night featuring astronomy activities for all ages
COA - Dare, 7pm - 9pm
- 29 **Sit, Sip and Chat** with COA President, Dr. Jack Bagwell and Mocktails (non-alcoholic cocktail!)
COA - Currituck (Aviation Building), 1pm - 2pm

September 14th - September 18th

"Win a Welcome Back Basket"

Register at the front desk for a chance to win a welcome back basket (All Campuses)

September 21st - October 2nd

"Dolphin Cup Design Contest"

Design and cast your vote for the best COA student dolphin cup artwork (more information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update)

Workshops

15 "FERPA 101: Your Privacy, Your Power"

COA - Dare, 11:30am - 12:30pm



16 "Start Strong: Setting Yourself Up for Success"

COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm



24 "Pledging Respect: A Hazing-Free Campus"

COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm



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September 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	Student Club Fair					
6	7 Labor Day	8	9 Sit, Sip and Chat	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Win a Welcome Back Basket					
		FERPA 101: Your Privacy, Your Power	Start Strong: Setting Yourself Up for Success	Constitution Day		
20	21	22 Sit, Sip and Chat	23	24 Pledging Respect: A Hazing Free-Campus	25 COA Star Nights	26
27	28	29 Sit, Sip and Chat	30			
	Dolphin Cup Design Contest					
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October 2026

Student Life Events

- 15** **Fall Fest** Open to COA Students, Alumni and their families
COA - Dare, 5pm - 7pm
- 19** **National Transfer Student Week** "Swim Towards Your Future Goals"
Pick up some goldfish crackers at information table(s) and wear COA Colors - Blue and Orange (All Campuses)
- 20** **National Transfer Student Week** "Take a Break & Think About Your Next Step" Pick up some kit kats at information table(s) and wear your transfer college gear (All Campuses)
- 21** **National Transfer Student Week** "Transferring is a Lifesaver" Pick up some life saver candies at information table(s) (All Campuses)
- 22** **National Transfer Student Week** "Invest in Your Future" Pick up some fruit snacks at information table(s) (All Campuses)
- 23** **National Transfer Student Week** "Bursting with Transfer Possibilities"
Pick up some gum at information table(s) (All Campuses)
- 29** **Fall Fest** Open to COA Students, Alumni and their families
COA - Elizabeth City, 5pm - 7pm
- 30** **COA Star Nights** Join us for a fun and educational night featuring astronomy activities for all ages
COA - Elizabeth City, 7pm - 9pm

October 12th - November 20th

"Art from the Page Contest"

Design and cast your vote for the best artwork inspired by the artist's favorite book (more information will be included in the COA Student Weekly Update)

Workshops

- 6** **"Communicate with Confidence"**
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm
- 7** **"Real Talk - Healthy Relationships 101"**
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm
- 20** **"Organization and Digital Productivity"**
COA - Dare, 11:30am - 12:30pm



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				1	2	3
	Dolphin Cup Design Contest					
4	5	6 Communicate with Confidence	7 Real Talk - Healthy Relationships 101	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Art from the Page Contest					
	Columbus Day			Fall Fest		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	National Transfer Student Week					
	Art from the Page Contest					
		Organization & Digital Productivity				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Art from the Page Contest					
				Fall Fest	COA Star Nights	
						Halloween

November 2026

Student Life Events

- 2** **Transfer Fair** Meet with college and university representatives and learn more about their transfer process
COA - Elizabeth City (AE and A Building), 9am - 11am
- 2** **Finn it to Win it** Spin our COA Wheel for a chance to win a ticket to COAST's "Charlotte's Web" and other prizes
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11am - 1pm
- 3** **Finn it to Win it** Spin our COA Wheel for a chance to win a ticket to COAST's "Charlotte's Web" and other prizes
COA - Edenton-Chowan (Dolphins Lounge), 11am - 1pm
- 4** **Finn it to Win it** Spin our COA Wheel for a chance to win a ticket to COAST's "Charlotte's Web" and other prizes
COA - Currituck (Public Safety Building), 11am - 12pm
COA - Currituck (Aviation Building), 12:30pm - 1:30pm
- 5** **Finn it to Win it** Spin our COA Wheel for a chance to win a ticket to COAST's "Charlotte's Web" and other prizes
COA - Dare (Main Building), 12pm - 2pm
- 30** **Jingle and Mingle** Join us for a festive time of making an origami craft while enjoying delicious cookies and warm hot cocoa
COA - Edenton-Chowan (Dolphins Lounge), 11am - 1pm

November 16th - November 20th

CANDY of JOY "Have a JOYFUL Thanksgiving"

Pick up some candy at information table(s) (All Campuses)

Workshops

- 10** **"Mind Matters: Prioritizing Mental Wellness"**
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm
- 11** **"Professionalism: From Campus to Career"**
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11:30am-12:30pm
- 18** **"Finals Survival Guide"**
COA - Dare, 11:30am - 12:30pm



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1	2 Art from the Page Contest Finn it to Win it Transfer Fair	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Art from the Page Contest	10 Mind Matters: Prioritizing Mental Wellness	11 Veterans Day Professionalism: From Campus to Career	12	13	14
15	16 Art from the Page Contest CANDY of JOY "Have a JOYFUL Thanksgiving"	17	18 Finals Survival Guide	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28
29	30 Jingle and Mingle					

December 2026

Student Life Events

- 1** **Jingle and Mingle** Join us for a festive time of making an origami craft while enjoying delicious cookies and warm hot cocoa
COA - Elizabeth City (Dolphins Den), 11am - 1pm
- 2** **Jingle and Mingle** Join us for a festive time of making an origami craft while enjoying delicious cookies and warm hot cocoa
COA - Dare (Main Building), 12pm - 2pm
- 3** **Jingle and Mingle** Join us for a festive time of making an origami craft while enjoying delicious cookies and warm hot cocoa
COA - Currituck (Public Safety Building), 11am - 12pm
COA - Currituck (Aviation Building), 12:30pm - 1:30pm

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December 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	Jingle and Mingle					
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
				Christmas Eve	Christmas Day	
27	28	29	30	31		



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