CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY NEBRASKA

ATHLETICS

VISITORS GUIDE

2026-27



This document is intended to assist people with planning their trip to Concordia University, Nebraska. Please use this document when preparing to navigate the friendly confines of Concordia and the city of Seward, Nebraska.

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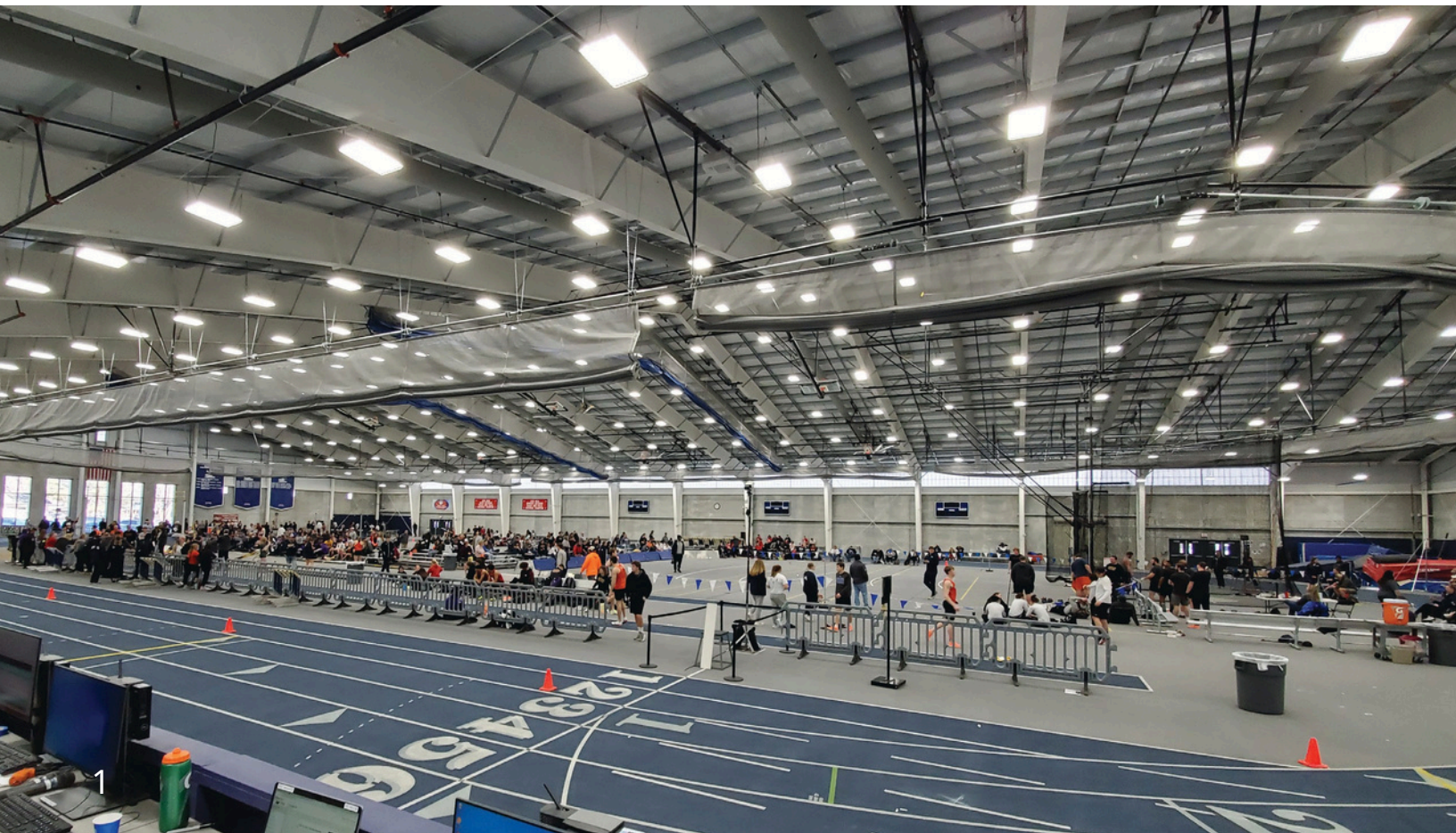
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ABOUT CONCORDIA

Concordia University, Nebraska is an excellent academic and Christ-centered community equipping men and women for lives of learning, service and leadership in the church and world.

ATHELTICS MISSION STATEMENT

The Bulldog Family, driven by a pursuit of excellence, maximizes athletic, academic, spiritual and character development in a Christ-centered community.

A MESSAGE FROM DEVIN SMITH, DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

The Bulldog Nation welcomes you to the community of Seward and our beautiful campus. It is our desire to provide a sustainable premier student-athlete and shareholder experience within a Christ-centered community. We appreciate your attendance and connection as we celebrate the blessings we have, and the talents displayed by student-athletes, staff and spectators.

Concordia Nebraska takes steps to provide a safe and family-friendly environment, and we demonstrate care for all in attendance and competing. Concordia has a long-standing "Ring the Bell" (#RTB) tradition upon a Bulldog victory. This tradition has taken on another level of pride, passion and protectionism for our past and the present. We mentor people to respect others, their traditions, campus policies and places when traveling throughout the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC). Let's collectively and responsibly cheer and build each other up through athletics within the GPAC & the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA).

Safe travels, revel in the spirit of competition and work together to make it a great day for everyone in the stands.

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT
DR. BERNARD BULL

AFFILIATION
NAIA

SCHOOL COLORS
NAVY & WHITE

CONFERENCE
GREAT PLAINS ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (GPAC)

MASCOT

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY NEBRASKA

1,270
STUDENTS CALL
CONCORDIA HOME

CONTACT INFORMATION

EMERGENCY

Fire, Police, Ambulance	911 or 402-643-2579
Memorial Hospital	402-643-2971
Campus Security	402-643-3033

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CAMPUS ADDRESS

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TICKET INFORMATION

$10	ADULTS
$3	K–12 STUDENTS
$3	SENIOR CITIZENS
FREE	CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER
FREE	GPAC STUDENTS & FACULTY/STAFF WITH COLLEGE ID

Admission gate pricing for conference tournaments, national tournaments and/or special events may differ.

ONLINE TICKETS

Tickets can be purchased online one week in advance at **cune.edu/athletics/tickets** to expedite entrance to the games upon arrival. The online ticketing process ensures guaranteed admission into games/events when seating capacities are restricted and/or implemented.

FAN & MEDIA INFORMATION

Concordia Nebraska commits to providing the safest environment possible for our student-athletes, coaches, officials, media and spectators. Thus, we take significant measures to ensure firearms, fireworks, substance use, belligerent spectators, etc. are not condoned in our family-friendly setting. All issues are addressed promptly and gracefully and if anyone does not comply with the values of our campus and/or game day experience then they will be excused from the premise.

FAN INFORMATION

- Bag checks are conducted at the admission gates for all events.
- No outside food or drinks are permitted at Bulldog athletic events.

HEALTH-RELATED TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS – TEAMS

- Concordia adheres to state and local health guidance for game/event operations.
- GPAC member teams will be required to follow any GPAC travel protocols.
- Non-conference opponents will follow their conference and/or school-specific protocols and adhere to Bulldog Athletic Department guidance upon arriving and competing in Concordia's venues.

MEDIA INFORMATION

- Concordia invites all credentialed media personnel to cover Bulldog athletic programs, its people and our visiting teams.
- Credentialed media personnel are requested to contact Jake Knabel, Director of Athletic Communications, at least 24 hours in advance about their intentions for covering specific game/events or arranging interviews for generating special stories while visiting our campus.
- All media personnel are asked to properly display credentials while present at athletic games/events. Also, if a media credential is not displayed then the Concordia Sports Information Office will issue a media/sideline pass to wear while serving at our campus and/or athletic department.
- Credentialed media and personnel needing Concordia issued media passes can gain entry and/or obtain a pass to the game up to one hour prior to an event's start time. Please come to the sport-specific entrances, whether it is the North arch gate track/field-level entrance of the Bulldog Stadium and/or at the main admission gate of Friedrich Arena located inside the Walz Human Performance Complex.
- Please notify the Director of Athletic Communications for venue space and resources at least 5-7 days in advance if desiring live-game coverage (radio) needs.
- Contact **Jake Knabel, Concordia Director of Athletic Communications**
  - Email – jacob.knabel@cune.edu
  - Phone – (563) 543-1439
  - FAX – (402) 643-3966

VISITING TEAM GAME DAY INFORMATION

SOCCER

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the north entrance of the PE Center and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities. Teams and officials may enter Bulldog Stadium at the field-level north stadium gate entry located in between the Walz Complex and PE Center. The competition surface is available for warmups 60 minutes prior to the game for a women's and men's doubleheader or stand-alone contest. A 25 minute warmup is allowed between games on same date. Visiting team benches are located on the north end of the west sideline. Spectators are asked to use the Bulldog Stadium's south end admissions gate on the east side of the field opposite of team benches.

VOLLEYBALL

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. The playing surface will be available a maximum of 60 minutes prior to the first contest/event and a minimum of 35 minutes will be allowed for warmups between games. If more warmup time is available between games whether a JV/Varsity doubleheader or during a multi-team tournament setting, then Concordia will ensure publicly posted start times are maintained.

BASKETBALL, DANCE & CHEER

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. At times, Concordia may have to use other locker room facilities throughout the Walz Complex when hosting multiple events. Visiting teams enter the competition floor through the southwest entry of Friedrich Arena at the end of the lower-level locker room hallway. The competition surface will be available a maximum 60 minutes prior to the first contest/event and a minimum of 20 minutes (basketball) will be allowed for warmups between games. If more warm-up time is available between games, then Concordia will ensure publicly posted start times are maintained. The visiting team bench is located on the left side (facing) of the score table.

WRESTLING

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to locker room and athletic training facilities located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex. Visiting teams enter the competition floor through the southwest entry of Friedrich Arena at the end of the lower-level lockerroom hallway. Weigh-ins begin up to 2 hours prior to the competition and the wrestling surface will be available 60 minutes prior to the first match/event.

VISITING TEAM GAME DAY INFORMATION

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

A Concordia event manager will attempt to meet teams and officials at the Walz clock tower entrance and guide you to team camp areas, the competition venue and the remote athletic training facilities within the Walz Fieldhouse. Visiting teams enter the Fieldhouse adjacent to the main Walz north entryway. The competition surface will be available 90 minutes prior to the event and locker rooms will be available for multiple teams use throughout the event.

OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

A Concordia parking lot assistant(s) will be located near the Walz clock tower entry. They will assist with team arrival and communicate with transportation personnel and coaches about how to access the Concordia competition areas, where to park upon team drop-off and share team access points for Bulldog Stadium and the competition surface/areas. The competition areas are available 90 minutes prior to the event, and locker rooms will be available for multiple team use. The Concordia Fieldhouse will be made available in case of inclement weather.

TENNIS (CONCORDIA INDOOR & OUTDOOR VENUES)

Concordia head tennis coach will advise opposing coaches where to meet upon needs requested prior to the match day. If locker rooms and/or athletic training facilities are needed upon arrival and post-event, then coaches need to communicate a few days leading up to the competition date. The Bulldog tennis coach and/or designee will meet opposing teams upon arrival at the Walz clock tower entrance for indoor tennis matches and/or directly at the Concordia Outdoor Tennis Complex depending upon the site. The competition surfaces will be available 60 minutes prior to the publicly advertised start time.

PARKING

CHARTER BUSES AND/OR LARGER VEHICLES

- All buses and/or larger vehicles will drop off at the Walz clock tower then park on street south of the Bulldog Stadium or in the white rock parking lot east of the Janzow Campus Center.

12-15 PASSENGER VANS AND/OR PERSONNEL VEHICLES

- Teams & Fans – park between the lines in either Walz or PE Center parking lots and/or park in the white rock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for outdoor events in Bulldog Stadium and/or at the outdoor tennis courts.

ATHLETIC TRAINING SERVICES

The Concordia Athletic Training rooms are located in the lower level of the Walz Human Performance Complex and the lower level of the PE Center. The Walz Human Performance Complex is available prior, during and for post-game treatments and assessments. Water and ice will be provided alongside the team benches and a certified athletic trainer will be readily available to serve the needs of teams. Opposing teams are requested to bring their own medical supplies and Concordia certified athletic trainers will provide service if needed/requested.

FOOTBALL GAME DAY INFORMATION

TEAM & GAME OFFICIALS ARRIVAL & PARKING

A Concordia event manager will meet the team and officials at the Physical Education (PE) Center entrance. This individual will guide you to locker room and athletic facilities located on the upper level of the facility. Officials enter Bulldog Stadium at the field-level's north arch gate located between the Walz Human Performance Complex and the PE Center. Visiting team's field entrance is the northwest gate of Bulldog Stadium located near the PE Center's lower-level southwest exit. Bulldog Stadium field is available for warmups 2 hours prior to the game and locker rooms are ready for use 3 hours prior the publicly advertised kickoff time.

PARKING

CHARTER BUSES AND/OR LARGER VEHICLES

- Football Team Charter – drop off at PE Center then park on street south of the Bulldog Stadium (facing west)

12-15 PASSENGER VANS AND/OR PERSONNEL VEHICLES

- Team Vehicles – park between the lines in either Walz or PE Center parking lots and/or park in the whiterock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for outdoor events in Bulldog Stadium
- Officials – park between the line in the PE Center parking lot
- Fans – park between the lines in the PE Center, Walz Human Performance Complex, Dunklau Center and/or the Janzow Campus Center parking lots.
- Opposing fan tailgates – Concordia is a "dry" campus, thus no alcohol is allowed on campus. If individuals desire to generate "tailgate" experiences, then please park and/or utilize the white rock parking lot south of Bulldog Stadium for your serving/grilling areas.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES & ATHLETIC TRAINING RESOURCES

Water and ice will be provided in your locker room space and onthe visiting team sideline. The visiting sideline and/or bench area is located on the west sideline opposite of the Bulldog Stadium press box. Concordia provides certified athletic trainer(s), student assistants and an orthopedic surgeon for on-site game-day medical staffing needs.

PRE-GAME WARMUPS

The mandated "L" shape arrangement will begin 70 minutes prior to the game start time and kickers are allowed to use the opposing teams field goal prior to that time frame. Each team's designated "L" area is located from their own sideline to the middle of the field on the opponent's 35 yard line and from the opponent's sideline to the middle of the field on their own 35 yard line. The "L" area will end at the 40-minute mark and teams will then stay on their side of the 50 yard line.

Prior to Kickoff	Warm Up
90 minutes	Game clock starts
70 minutes	"L" shaped arrangement begins
40 minutes	"L" shaped arrangement ends
20 minutes	Teams leave the field
12 minutes	Introduction of officials and starting lineups
10 minutes	Teams return to the field
8 minutes	National Anthem
3 minute	Coin toss
0 minutes	Kick-off

COACHING BOX, SPOTTERS & FILM

The opposing team coaching booth is located in the upper level on the far south end of the Stadium press box. A video room in the Bulldog Stadium press box is available for mid-field filming needs.

FOOTBALL GAME DAY MEDIA (SEE PAGE 5)

RESTAURANTS

AMIGOS/KINGS CLASSIC
402-643-3708
422 N. 6th Street

BAGELS & JOE
402-643-2739
522 Seward Street

DAIRY QUEEN
402-643-6653
344 North 6th Street

DOMINO'S PIZZA
402-803-1955
132 S. 5th Street

GODFATHER'S PIZZA
402-643-4524
122 N. 5th Street

JIMMY JOHN'S
531-727-2582
132 S. 5th Street

LA CARRETA MEXICAN RESTAURANT
402-643-9544
3531 Progressive Drive

LA COCINA MEXICAN RESTAURANT
402-646-9219
444 Seward Street

PASTA BARN
info@pastabarn.net
127 N. 6th Street

RUNZA
402-643-6520
528 Roberts Street

SPARETIME LOUNGE & GRILL
402-643-3898
23 S. 4th Street

SUBWAY
402-643-9590
536 Roberts Street

VALENTINO'S
402-643-4264
1519 West Highway 34

HOTELS

SEWARD AREA

COBBLESTONE HOTEL & SUITES
South Hwy 15
402-646-1004
Distance 5 min. / 2.5 miles

EAST HILL MOTEL
131 E. Main Street
402-643-3679
Distance 2 min. / 0.5 miles

LIBERTY HOUSE
441 N. 5th Street
402-643-2555
Distance 1 min. / 0.5 miles

SUNSET INN & SUITES
South Hwy 15
402-643-3388
Distance 5 min. / 3 miles

LINCOLN DOWNTON

CORNHUSKER HOTEL
333 South 13th Street
402-474-7474
Distance 33 min. / 25 miles

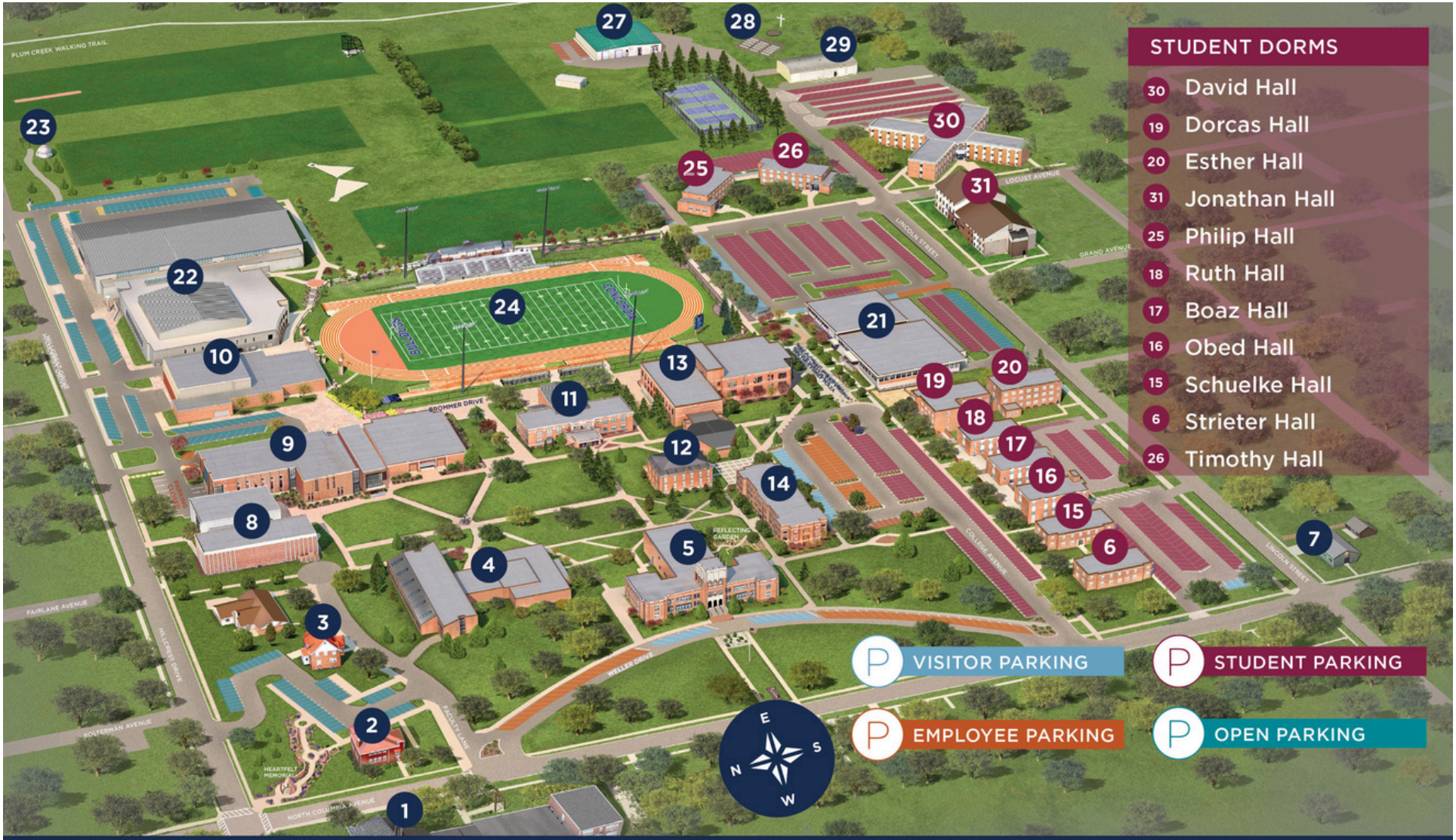
LINCOLN AIRPORT

HAMPTON INN
1055 W. Bond Street
402-474-6465
Distance 27 min. / 24 miles
lincolnairport.hamptoninn.com

- Provide reservation dates
- Click on “Add Special Rate Codes”
- Add Group Code or Corporate Account Number
- Concordia Corp ID: #0560066497
- Click “Check Rooms & Rates”
- Book your reservation

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
1101 West Commerce Way
402-464-0588
Distance 30 min. / 28 miles
Lincoln along I-80 Corridor

BEST WESTERN
2201 Wildcat Circle
402-438-0088
Distance 31 min. / 25 miles



BUILDINGS

- 11 Brommer Art Center
- 27 Buildings and Grounds
- 24 Bulldog Stadium
- 7 Center for Liturgical Arts
- 12 Founders Hall
- 9 Dunklau Center for Science, Math and Business
- 3 Global Opportunities Center
- 2 Guest Housing
- 29 Hitting Center
- 21 Janzow Campus Center
- 14 Jesse Hall
- 4 Link Library
- 8 Borland Center for Music and Theatre
- 23 Osten Observatory
- 28 Outdoor Chapel
- 10 Physical Education Building
- 1 St. John Lutheran Church and School
- 13 Thom Leadership Education Center
- 22 Walz Human Performance Complex
- 5 Weller Hall