Prepare for the NSC

The New Student Conference (NSC) is a two-day orientation program required of all new undergraduate students. In order to attend an NSC as a family member or guest, you must register online.

In order to ensure a positive NSC experience, there are many tasks you will want to complete prior to your student’s NSC.

Before Your Student’s NSC

- Print out your Family and Guest Registration Confirmation email (received by email within 3 business days of completing your registration online)
- Make plans for parking on campus. Summer Weekly permits are available for purchase online beginning May 1st
- Arrange for overnight accommodations during the conference
- Know what to expect by checking out the sample NSC Schedules
- Print off a campus map
- Print off the New Student Conference checklist for a packing list of what to bring
- Follow us on Twitter @NSFPtamu for updates and reminders
- Download the TAMU Mobile App on your smart phone to have access to maps, bus routes, and much more at your fingertips.

What To Bring To Your Student’s NSC

- Family and Guest Registration confirmation email
- NSC parking permit print-out placed on the dashboard of your car (unless you plan to pay per hour to park in a visitor parking area)
- Casual but appropriate clothes. You will be meeting the Dean of your college and academic advisors. Weather during the summer in College Station is very hot and humid. Weather in January in College Station is unpredictable. Please check the weather prior to your conference and plan accordingly.
- A jacket or sweater. The auditorium and conference rooms are often chilly.
- Comfortable walking shoes. Please note that you will be walking frequently around a LARGE campus for different meetings.
- Money for meals and extras. Please note that some services do not take credit cards.
- Umbrella or rain gear
- Canvas bag or backpack for gathering and carrying materials from resource tables and meetings
- A refillable water bottle
- For guests staying on campus during the NSC, bed linens and towels are provided in the residence hall, but you may want to bring your own items to make your stay more comfortable. You can also bring items such as a cell phone, mattress pads, travel alarm clocks, extra blankets and pillows to use during your stay.