**NEW STUDENT CONFERENCE**

**Howdy!**
Welcome to Texas A&M and your New Student Conference! If you have questions, feel free to visit our Help Desk located in the Rudder Lobby. We also provide a complimentary electronics charging station for your convenience!

**New Student Conference Help Desk Hours:**  
- **Day 1:** 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
- **Day 2:** 7:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

**TRANSFER Pre-Conference Day (Optional): Wednesday, August 16**

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<td>Open Recreation</td>
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<td><strong>Utilize the Rec Center at your leisure. Simply check in with the Member Services Desk at the Rec Center to gain passes. Equipment fees may apply. Proper attire is required. Family members under 18 must always be accompanied by an adult.</strong></td>
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<td>8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Veteran Services Office Open</td>
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<td><strong>Are you or your dependent ready to use your military educational benefits? If so, please visit the Veteran Services Office to learn how to get the most out of your benefits at Texas A&amp;M.</strong></td>
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<td>Language Placement Exams</td>
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<td>**The Spanish Language Placement Test is administered by Hispanic Studies. All other Language Placement Tests are administered by International Studies. There is a $30.00 fee due at the time of registration. To register, visit newaggie.tamu.edu/languageplacementexam. For questions, call: Spanish Exam: (979) 458-0672</td>
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<td>Student &amp; Family Check-In</td>
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<td><strong>Students and families who have arrived early may check in to the conference. Students needing to clear any holds, turn in transcripts, or change their major should do so. Class of 2018, 2019, and 2020 T-shirts are available for purchase.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Get acquainted with the campus, history and traditions of Texas A&amp;M. Orientation Leaders conduct 45-60 minute walking tours of central campus. Tours depart every 10-15 minutes.</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Available for those who prefer a virtual tour experience. Video loops every 10 minutes.</strong></td>
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<td>4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Singing Cadets Auditions</td>
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<td><strong>If you’re interested in being part of Texas A&amp;M’s premier all-male chorus, please stop by for a brief audition! Please note: Membership in the Corps of Cadets is not required.</strong></td>
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**Save the Date:**

**Howdy Week:** Sunday, August 20 to Sunday, August 27

Howdy Week is Aggieland’s official week of welcome. More than 100 events will be hosted by student organizations and offices across campus throughout the week. View the full schedule online at howdyweek.tamu.edu.

**First Day of Class:** Monday, August 28

**Questions?**

- **Call us:** (979) 845-5826  
- **Tweet us:** @NSFPtamu  
- **Snap us:** @New_Aggie

**What to expect at your NSC**

- **Pre-Conference Day** occurs the day before official programs begin. All activities during the pre-conference day are optional.

- **Day 1** features sessions regarding academics, resources, and responsibilities as an Aggie. Evening programs help students and families understand what it means to be an Aggie.

- **Day 2** begins with students meeting with their college to learn about the requirements and expectations of their specific discipline. Class registration takes place in the afternoon.

**Attendance** at the conference is mandatory and it is the University’s expectation that students attend all sessions.

**International Students**

All students who are neither U.S. Citizens nor U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents must check in with International Student Services (ISS) in order to have their course registration hold removed. Detailed information is available at iss.tamu.edu. ISS will be present at New Student Conference Check-In.

**Math Placement Exam**

Some transfer students are required to take the math placement exam before class registration. To take the math placement exam, visit: mathplacement.tamu.edu.
### Day One: Thursday, August 17

#### Keys to reading the schedule

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<td><strong>Veteran Services Session</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Career Center Introduction</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Study Abroad</strong></td>
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<td><strong>11:10 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Professional School Advising Session</strong></td>
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<td><strong>11:35 a.m. - 12:05 p.m.</strong></td>
<td><strong>Secondary Teaching</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Student Lunch &amp; Panel</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Family Lunch &amp; Panel</strong></td>
<td>MSC 2300 D&amp;E</td>
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**Required Attendance:**
- Mandatory Session
- For Family Members
- Students Only

**Spanish Translation for Family Members Offered at These Sessions:** A Spanish translator will provide details about checking out a listening device during Family Check-In. Additionally, you can visit the help desk in Rudder Tower to receive a listening device. Proudly supported by The Association of Former Students.

**See handout in your check-in bag for campus dining locations.**
### Day One, Continued: **Thursday, August 17**

#### 1:35 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
**Partners in Success (Families)**
Rudder Tower 601

Explore challenges facing new students during their transition to Texas A&M and how the university and families can partner to provide support to increase student success.

#### 1:35 p.m. - 2:25 p.m.
**Aggieland: A Community of Respect (Students)**
Rudder Theatre

- Centered around our Core Values, current students and staff will talk about being part of the Aggie Family and how you contribute to our Community of Respect.

#### 2:25 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.
**Step In, Stand Up in Aggieland (Students)**
Rudder Theatre

- This session provides information about students' rights and available resources pertaining to the prevention of and response to sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, stalking and related retaliation. Students will learn how each one of us can commit to a safe and welcoming campus community.

#### 2:55 p.m. - 3:55 p.m.
**Off-Campus Housing Session**
Rudder Theatre

Learn about off-campus living, including how to find housing, important rental/leasing information, roommate relations and transportation.

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### Day Two: **Friday, August 18**

#### 7:45 a.m. - 8:10 a.m.
**Conference Shuttles**
Rudder Fountain

Beginning at 7:45 a.m., shuttles are available to transport you to West Campus.

#### 7:45 a.m.
**Trailblazing**
Rudder Fountain

Orientation Leaders walk you to college meetings or direct you to West Campus shuttles. All groups depart from Rudder Fountain at 8:00 a.m.

#### 8:30 a.m.
**Mandatory College Meeting & Academic Advisement**
See Below

*Meeting begins promptly at 8:30 a.m.* Students who do not attend the meeting for its entirety will be blocked from course registration.

In this mandatory meeting, students meet with representatives from your specific college who will discuss requirements and answer questions you have about your major. You will also receive specific information about course registration.

**Locations vary by college (Building abbreviations refer to the campus map alphabetical listing):**

- **Agriculture & Life Sciences (AG)**
  - Kleberg 115 (KLCT)*

- **Architecture (AR)**
  - AI Engineering Building M207 (AIEN)

- **Business (BA)**
  - Wehner (WCBA)*
  - Room 113 (Ray Auditorium)

- **Education (ED)**
  - Harrington 108 (HECC)

- **Engineering (EN)**
  - Rudder Theatre

- **Geosciences (GE)**
  - Eiler Oceanography and Meteorology Building (OM)
  - Room 112

- **Liberal Arts (LA)**
  - Harrington (HECC)
  - Students: Room 207
  - Families and Guests: Room 110

- **Public Health (PH)**
  - School of Public Health Classroom Building (SPHC)*
  - Room 108

- **Science (SC)**
  - Heldenfels 100 (HELD)

- **Veterinary Medicine (VM)**
  - Veterinary Medicine Building 2 (VIDI)*
  - Room 106

*Denotes building on West Campus. We suggest riding the conference shuttles.*

Locations above indicate starting locations for the College Meeting portion; following the College Meeting, participants will be given instructions to travel to a different location (often in a different building) for departmental/small-group meetings and registration. If you are a guest with mobility concerns, contact your college in order to make appropriate arrangements.

#### 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
**Course Registration**
Location specified by college

- **Exact time and location announced during College Meetings. Students will register for their fall classes and optional campus services. Please be prepared to remain until 6 p.m. if necessary.**

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**Note:**
- Various
  - Lunch on Your Own
  - Various

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Visit it.tamu.edu/getstarted to receive your personalized TechList! This list will give you Texas A&M technology advice and requirements tailored to you, including printing, software and more.

Purchase your official Class of 2018, 2019, or 2020 and Aggie Family T-shirt! T-shirts can be purchased at afternoon or morning check-ins.

Get your student ID card made or pick up your ID if you submitted your photo online. Lines to make IDs are longest on the morning of Day 1. Must have government issued photo ID.

- **Pre-Conference Day**: 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in Rudder Exhibit Hall
- **Day One**: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in Rudder Exhibit Hall
- **Day Two**: 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. in the General Services Complex

Sign up for Code Maroon. Code Maroon is an emergency notification service that gives Texas A&M the ability to communicate health and safety emergency information quickly with campus members. Sign up at codemaroon.tamu.edu.

If you are a veteran or military student, check in with the Veteran Services Office, located in the Pavilion Room 205 (2nd Floor).

You may want to rent a P.O. Box if you are living on campus. Boxes may be rented for the Southside or Northside of campus by visiting Hullabaloo Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (baurservicesinc.com). The Northgate Post Office also offers P.O. Box Rental and is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Pick up your sports pass. If you registered for a sports pass (online at 12thmanfoundation.com/students) you may pick it up at the ticket window inside the 1st Floor Zone Club Lobby (north end zone - Entry 6) of Kyle Field after you have received your student ID card. Ticket Office is open from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Follow us on Twitter & Instagram @NSFPtamu. This is a great way to stay connected before, during, and after your NSC. If tweeting about your NSC experience, use the hashtag #TAMUNSC.

Reserve your textbooks before you leave campus! Texas A&M and Barnes & Noble have paired up to create a textbook and materials list that is automatically generated after class registration so you can order textbooks more easily. Stop by Barnes & Noble at Texas A&M University to pick up your NEW STUDENT PACKET and ask any questions. The bookstore is open 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday–Friday. You can also visit them online at tamu.bncollege.com. Please note: TAMU students are not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer.

Download the TAMU Mobile App for detailed NSC information as well as instant access to bus routes, dining information, maps and much more. Just search “Texas A&M University” in the App Store or Google Play.

Complete your NSC Evaluation which you receive via email 7-10 days after your conference.