

# Parent and Family Advisory Council Video





# Introduction to being an Aggie Family Member



New Student &  
Family Programs  
DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

# Session Overview

- **Part 1** – Introductions, Your Student & a Perfect Partnership
  - Getting to know you as an Aggie family member
  - GenZ Goes to College
  - The partnership between you & Texas A&M
- **Part 2** – Best Practices for your Student's Success
  - W-Curve and managing crisis
  - Best practices to support your Texas A&M student
  - Transition into college
- **Part 3** – Resources and Involvement Opportunities at Texas A&M





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**37607**

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# Where did you travel from to get to Aggieland today?

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## Is this your first student in college?

Yes

No

# Are you a former student of Texas A&M?

Yes

No

# Of the below, what excites you most about your student coming to Texas A&M?

Traditions

Core Values

Aggie  
Network



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## Of the below, what may make you nervous about your student's transition to Texas A&M?

Academic Rigors

Distance from home

Making Friends



# Part 1

Introductions, Your Student, and a Perfect Partnership

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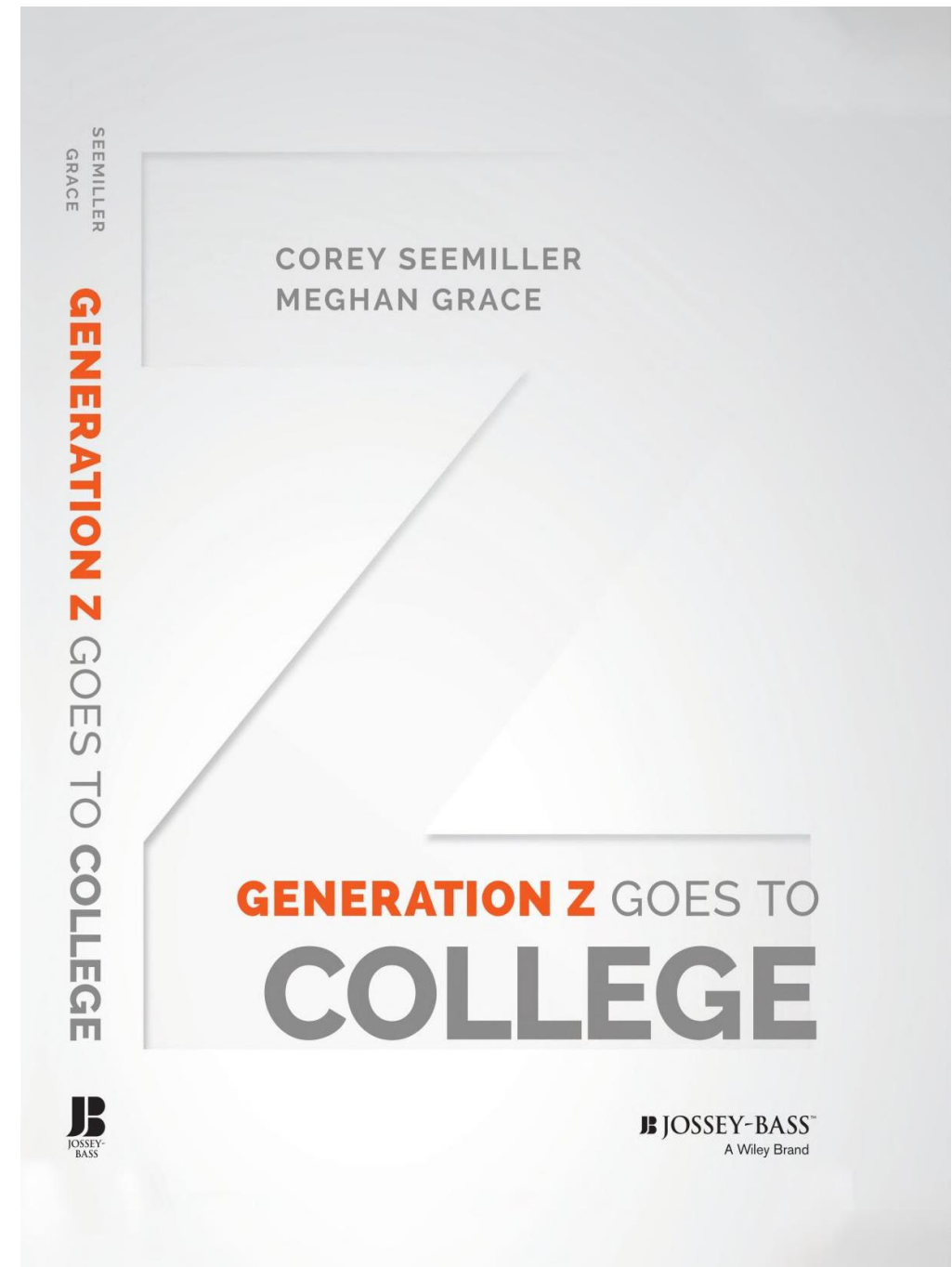
# GenZ Goes to College

GenZ is defined as those born between 1995 and 2010

They are: loyal, compassionate, thoughtful, open-minded, responsible, & determined

Common characteristics:

- Information at their fingertips (if it's online, it's true)
- Desire applicable knowledge/skills for the workforce





# GenZ Parent & Family Relationships

“Trusted Mentor” Relationship

88% describe themselves as ‘extremely close’ to their parents

>50% take the opinions and perspectives of their family into consideration in their decision making

GenZ sees their parents and family as sources of emotional and financial support





# A Perfect Partnership





## **Part 2 -**

Best Practices for your Student's Success

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Dr. Baker “W-Curve & Big C/Little C crisis video”



## 5 Best Practices

1. Positive involvement leads to greater student success
2. Student is likely to reach out to you before a university resource
3. Communication with you about academic goals is positively correlated with student persistence
4. Families can be instrumental in supporting student well-being
5. Family's ability to support independence can lead to a sense of belonging in college





# Transition Realities

- College is often a major transition for students
- Some differences, expectations, and experiences students will face...
  - Academic rigor
  - Independence
  - Accountability
  - Roommates
  - Group work
  - Family members at a distance



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## **Part 3 -**

Resources and Involvement Opportunities at Texas A&M

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# Family Calendar & Resource Guide Walkthrough

- Campus resources
- Aggie Family Checklist
- Campus Safety
- Campus Lingo & Traditions
- Family Expectations Worksheet
- Student Academic Schedule (back page)



# Highlights of Resources on Campus

- University Health Services
- Student Assistance Services
- Academic Resources
  - Academic Success Center
  - University Writing Center
  - Math Learning Center
- Career Center

Resource fair this afternoon in the Memorial Student Center (MSC) from 2:50 – 4:15 p.m.





# Parent and Family Advisory Council

Seeks to continually improve the support provided to families by New Student & Family Programs and across the university.



# Family Weekend

Held each Spring at Texas  
A&M since 1919

A weekend dedicated to all  
Aggie family members

**April 12-14<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**familyweekend@tamu.edu**



# Aggie Moms Video





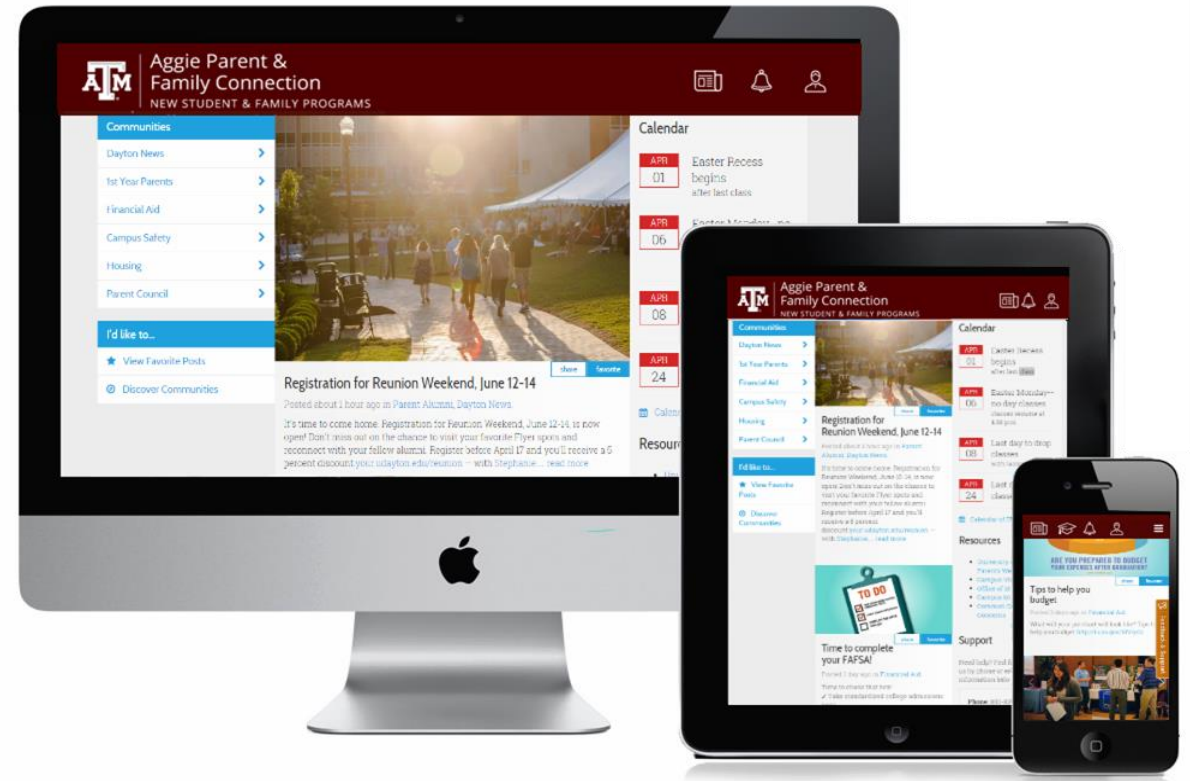


# Aggie Moms



# Aggie Parent & Family Connection Portal

[tx.ag/familyportal](http://tx.ag/familyportal)





# Aggie Parent & Family Website

familyprograms.tamu.edu



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# Next steps for the NSC experience

- **Remainder of Day 1**

- Lunch (families will be at Sbisa, students with their orientation group)
- Afternoon sessions pick up at 1:15 p.m. with the Financial Matters session in Rudder Auditorium (here)
- Breakout sessions – you will attend breakout sessions with your student!

- **Day 2 Information**

- Starts at 8:30 a.m. at your students' academic programs
- Every program has different expectations for family attendance on Day 2
- Lunch is at any open retail location – look at [tx.ag/NSCDining](https://www.tx.ag/NSCDining) for open locations





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