Howdy! Welcome to Texas A&M! This schedule will help you navigate your New Student Conference and prepare for your transition to the university.

**CONFERENCE CHECKLIST**

- 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.
- Purchase your official Aggie Family t-shirt at the MSC Barnes & Noble bookstore.
- 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.
- 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 mailbox if you are living on campus. Boxes may be rented in person for the Southside or Northside of campus by visiting Commons Lobby Room 126 or Hullabalo Hall Room 136 from 2-4 p.m. on Day 1 of your NSC. You can also download the rental forms at baurservicesinc.com and mail in the application. The Northgate Post Office offers P.O. Box rental and is open 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., or you can rent online at usps.com.
- 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 a.m. to 6 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.
- Complete your NSC Evaluation, which you will receive via email 7-10 days after your conference.
- Add your preferred emergency contact information on the Howdy Portal, howdy.tamu.edu.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

Day 1 features sessions regarding academics, resources, and responsibilities as an Aggie. An evening program provides a fun opportunity for students and families to meet other new Aggies.

Day 2 begins with students meeting 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 students are expected to attend all sessions.

**CHANGING YOUR MAJOR**

Transfer students may not change their major at the conference. Freshmen may change their major by visiting the “Change your Major” table at check-in. **Check-in is the only opportunity to change your major at the conference.** Certain colleges and departments have enrollment restrictions and a change of major into these programs will not be an option.

**STUDENT ID CARD**

Students who submitted their photo online prior to arriving for their conference will receive their student ID card at check-in. If you did not submit your photo in advance:

- Upload a photo at myaggiecard.tamu.edu by 3 p.m. on Day 1 of the conference.
- If your photo is accepted, pick up your ID on Day 2 from 7:30-9:30 a.m. in the MSC, 12th Man Hallway.

You must have government-issued photo ID to receive your Aggie ID card.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

All students who are neither U.S. Citizens nor U.S. Lawful Permanent Residents must complete the online check-in through Terra Dotta to have their course registration hold removed. Detailed information is available through International Student Services (ISS) at iss.tamu.edu.

**QUESTIONS?**

Feel free to stop by our NSC Help Desk (see schedule for times and locations), call us at (979) 845-5826, or send us a message on social media.

**CONNECT WITH US**

@nsfptamu /AggieParentsandFamily new_aggie
8:00–9:15 a.m. | **Student & Family NSC Check-In**  
Students and family members/guests must check in to the conference. Everyone will receive orientation materials, meal vouchers, and an official conference schedule. Students will also receive their student ID and a t-shirt and must clear any holds, turn in transcripts, or change their major, if desired/permited.

Zone Club at Kyle Field, 4th Floor

8:00–9:40 a.m. | **Breakfast**  
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to purchase a meal at any open dining facility in the MSC listed on your ticket.

MSC

8:00–9:15 a.m. | **Virtual Campus Tour**  
Available for students or family members who prefer a virtual tour experience. Video loops every 10 minutes.

Zone Club at Kyle Field, 1st Floor

8:40–9:25 a.m. | **Optional Morning Sessions | Choose One**

**Professional School Advising**  
Students interested in careers within medicine, dentistry, allied health, veterinary medicine or law and planning to pursue professional school credentials, regardless of major, should attend this session.

MSC 1400

**Secondary Teaching**  
Students interested in teacher certification for secondary education, regardless of major, should attend this session.

MSC 2502

**Veteran Services**  
Learn how to get the most out of your military educational benefits. Get connected with the Aggie veteran community and both campus veteran offices. **Mandatory for veterans; highly suggested for military dependents.**

Rudder Tower 301

**Career Center**  
Hear about services and resources including resume and cover letter review, mock interviews, and planning for future employment!

MSC 2500

**Study Abroad**  
You can study abroad! Learn about international education opportunities and funding resources.

MSC 2501

9:00–9:30 a.m. | **Campus Tour**  
A friendly Orientation Leader will conduct a walking tour of the inner campus, weather permitting.

Zone Club at Kyle Field, 1st Floor

9:40–10:00 a.m. | **Welcome Session**  
This opening session is your formal welcome to the Aggie Family from New Student & Family Programs and an overview of the conference!

MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom

10:00–10:20 a.m. | **Joining a Community of Scholars**  
This session will provide important information about the opportunities, rights and responsibilities as a new member of Texas A&M’s Community of Scholars.

MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom

10:20–10:50 a.m. | **Academic Meeting**  
Students will receive critical information regarding academic policies and receive instructions on class registration.

MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom

10:50–11:20 a.m. | **Keys to Financial Matters**  
Staff will discuss tuition and fees, how to pay your bill, deadlines, and financial resources including scholarships, grants and loans.

MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom
At this point, students and family members/guests will attend separate sessions until 2 p.m.

**STUDENT TRACK**

11:30 a.m.-12:35 p.m. Lunch MSC
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to purchase a meal at any open dining facility in the MSC listed on your ticket. Overflow seating is available in MSC 2400, Gates Ballroom.

12:45-1:35 p.m. Community of Respect MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom
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.

1:35-2:00 p.m. Step In Stand Up MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom
This session provides information about our 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.

**FAMILY TRACK**

11:30 a.m.-12:35 p.m. Partners in Success & Aggie Family Programs MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom
Explore challenges facing new students during their transition to college and how the university and families can partner to provide support to increase student success. You’ll also hear from the Office of New Student & Family Programs about opportunities and resources available to you.

12:45-1:55 p.m. Lunch MSC
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to purchase a meal at any open dining facility in the MSC listed on your ticket. Overflow seating is available in MSC 2400, Gates Ballroom.

**ALL ATTENDEES**

Students and family members/guests reunite for the remainder of the day.

2:10–2:40 p.m. Campus Services MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom
Information will be shared regarding campus services such as dining, transportation, and information technology (IT).

2:45–3:45 p.m. Resource Tables MSC, Main Hallway
Various offices from the University community are represented. Gather info and ask questions at your leisure. Get your punch card stamped to enter into the drawing for a $50 gift card!

3:15–4:15 p.m. Off-Campus Living MSC 2406
Learn how to live off campus successfully, including managing a lease, city ordinances, roommate relations, transportation, and ways to search for housing.

4:45–6:30 p.m. Evening Program Williams Alumni Center
The Orientation Leaders and The Association of Former Students invite students and family members for an Aggie watch party as we relive the thrilling overtime win against LSU! Enjoy light refreshments and snacks, meet the Yell Leaders, play trivia and other games, try on an Aggie Ring, and meet other new students at this casual, come-and-go event.

**TAMULink Wireless**

TAMULink is Texas A&M’s campus wireless network, located in classrooms, offices, libraries, eateries, and other locations. Texas A&M faculty, staff, and students can connect to TAMULink-wpa by logging in with their NetID and password. For setup instructions, visit [it.tamu.edu/Network_and_Internet_Access/Wireless_Connections](it.tamu.edu/Network_and_Internet_Access/Wireless_Connections).
DAY 2 - THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

HELP DESK: 7:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. | MSC, 12th Man Hallway

Mandatory Session
All students must attend

= Spanish Translation
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ENGINEERING & SCIENCE FRESHMEN

7:30 a.m.  Trailblazing
MSC, 12th Man Hallway
Orientation Leaders will walk students in the College of Engineering and College of Science to check-in for the Math Placement Exam. Group will depart promptly at 7:40 a.m.

8:00-9:40 a.m.  Breakfast
Various
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to eat breakfast at any open dining facility listed on your ticket.

7:45-8:10 a.m.  Check-In for Math Placement Exam
Emerging Technologies Building
Please arrive no later than 8:10 a.m. to complete check-in as the exam will begin promptly at 8:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.  Math Placement Exam
Emerging Technologies Building
Freshmen in the College of Engineering and College of Science (excluding Biology majors) are required to take the Math Placement Exam during their NSC.

ENGINEERING & SCIENCE ALL STUDENTS

10:30 a.m.  College Meeting
See Below
Students who do not attend the meeting in its entirety will be blocked from course registration.

In this mandatory meeting, you will meet with representatives from your specific college who will discuss requirements and answer questions 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):

• Engineering (EN)
  Emerging Technologies Building 1037 (ETB)
• Science (SC)
  Heldenfels 105 (HELD)

ALL STUDENTS

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  Lunch
Various
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to eat lunch at any open dining facility listed on your ticket. Overflow seating is available in MSC 2400, Gates Ballroom.

2:00-6:00 p.m.  Course Registration
Location Specified By College
Exact time and location announced during College Meetings. Students will register for their spring classes and optional campus services. Please be prepared to remain until 6 p.m. if necessary.

ALL OTHER COLLEGES

7:45 a.m.  Trailblazing
MSC, 12th Man Hallway
Orientation Leaders will walk you to college meetings or direct you to shuttles to west campus locations. All groups depart from the MSC at 8 a.m.

8:00-9:40 a.m.  Breakfast
Various
You may use a meal voucher received at check-in to eat breakfast at any open dining facility listed on your ticket.

8:30 a.m.  College Meeting & Academic Advisement
See Below
Meeting begins promptly at 8:30 a.m. Students who do not attend the meeting in its entirety will be blocked from course registration.

You will meet with representatives from your specific college who will discuss requirements and answer questions 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 Center 115 (KLCT)*
• Architecture (AR)
  Architecture Building B 101 (ARCB)
• Business (BA)
  Wehner 161 (WCBA)*
• Education (ED)
  Harrington Education Center 207 (HECC)
• Geosciences (GE)
  Halbouty 101 (HALB)
• Liberal Arts (LA)
  Chemistry Building 100 (CHEM)
• Nursing (NU)
  Health Professions Education Building LL44 (HPEB)*
• Public Health (PH)
  School of Public Health 119 (SPH)*
• Veterinary Medicine (VM)
  Veterinary Medicine Building 1 106B (VENI)*

* Denotes west campus location. We suggest riding the Aggie Spirit buses (see handout provided at check-in).