Howdy! My name is ______________________
_______________________________ and I am a
____________________________________ major
____________________________________ from ____________________________________.
And I am a loud and proud member
of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Class of
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(Wildcat)
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Welcome to Aggieland! Perhaps there are many Aggies in your family, or maybe you are the first in your family to attend college. Either way, you will find that you have become part of a community of fellow students, faculty, staff and former students who deeply care about you not only while you're a student, but also long after you graduate from Texas A&M University.

Ranked among the nation’s top research universities, and offering more than 130 undergraduate degrees and 272 graduate degree programs as options for study, Texas A&M University is full of possibilities. Our faculty possess an unwavering commitment to shape intellectually transformative experiences and are dedicated to sending Aggie leaders out into the world prepared to take on the challenges of tomorrow.

At Texas A&M, our devotion to education extends beyond the classroom. I encourage you to get involved with one of the over 1,000 student-led clubs and organizations, to volunteer, study abroad, or seek internship opportunities.

While our campus is one of the largest in the country, both in terms of enrollment and physical size, it is also one of the friendliest and most welcoming campuses anywhere. That’s why we call it Aggieland.

When you come here, you become part of something bigger than yourself. To me, that is what the Aggie Family is all about. I wish you the very best of luck as you embark on this exciting new chapter in your life.

Thanks and Gig ‘em!

Michael K. Young
Why did you want to become Vice President for Student Affairs (VPSA)?

As a first generation college student, I was not even aware I could spend an entire professional career working on a college campus. As an undergraduate, I was heavily involved and was encouraged to think about working in Student Affairs. I remember having such high admiration for my VPSA and Dean of Students. Once I made the commitment to the profession, I knew I wanted to be a Dean of Students ... a role I held for 13 years at two different universities. I also knew I wanted to lead at the highest level I could within the profession and have now been serving as a VPSA since 2008. Now, I get to see former staff who have become VPSAs at other campuses, some of whom aspire to be college presidents.

How much time do you spend on campus?

I spend almost every waking and sleeping moment on campus. Yes, even sleeping moments! As the VPSA, I have the privilege of living on campus as a means of immersing myself in the lives of our students. My wife, my two sons, and I all very much enjoy living on campus, being part of the vibrancy of student life, and having access to so many events and activities. Things as simple as an evening walk through “the neighborhood” provide me access to students in the MSC, Rec Center, the Quad, and Aggie Park. Whether attending numerous sporting events, giving out rings at Ring Day, or even giving visitors impromptu campus tours. living on campus has also allowed my family to become immersed in the traditions and part of the fabric of Texas A&M.

What are your top 3 priorities for students?

First, it is my sincere desire for each and every one of our students to make connections and develop a sense of belongingness at Texas A&M. Students choose A&M for a variety of reasons, but most important is they feel like they are part of the community and the community becomes part of them. Second, I want our students to succeed. That means performing academically, making academic progress, studying abroad, doing an internship, and graduating on time. Equally, I want our students to become members of organizations, first to serve and then to lead. Third, I want students to embrace and internalize the Aggie Core Values of excellence, integrity, leadership, loyalty, respect, and selfless service. The Core Values are what truly links the entire Aggie Network and gives credence to the numerous traditions that feed the Spirit of Aggieland.

What is something students might not know about you?

I have a second job! Seriously! I serve as a Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army (CASA) and have done so for more than four years in two different states. CASAs are community members who represent the U.S. Army at the local, state, and national levels and focus on sharing the Army story. I consider myself extremely patriotic and thankful that I am an American. This is one small way in which I can do my part on behalf of our nation and support America’s soldiers abroad and at home. Also, I ride a Harley Davidson!

What should students know about coming to Texas A&M?

I’ve worked at six universities and know hundreds of other VPSAs from around the nation and Texas A&M holds a special prominence across American higher education. Professionals around the country look to Aggies to continue our most revered traditions and to adopt new ones that link current and future students to past and former students. When students come to Texas A&M, they are not only embracing the spirit, but affirming what is best about students and student life across America. Each Aggie is a small flame in the hopes of colleges and universities across the nation who aspire to have the breadth and depth of connections found in Aggieland.
Tell us a little about yourself.
Howdy! My name is Mikey Jaillet, and I am a Business Finance major from Round Rock, Texas. Though originally born in Boston, Massachusetts, and living in Idaho and Canada for a few years, I spent most of my childhood in Round Rock and am proud to call Texas my home. As a first-generation Aggie, I have been lucky enough to find a university that enables me to explore all of my interests, including playing lacrosse, traveling, cooking, fishing, making a mean grilled cheese, and of course, Aggie football. Throughout my time here at A&M, I have been blessed to be a part of the Fightin’ Texas Aggie Lacrosse Team and serve as the philanthropy chair for Sigma Chi Fraternity and as the Interfraternity Council (IFC) president.

Why did you want to become Student Body President (SBP)?
My desire to become student body president began while I was working as the president of the IFC. My interactions with the administration and the student body illustrated a gap in communication at times between the two. As SBP, I saw an opportunity to bridge this gap and bring together students from all parts of campus to work on building a cohesive vision for the future that incorporates all viewpoints, and to further build on that vision by using my voice to communicate it to the administration and students themselves.

What are your priorities as SBP?
My goal as SBP is to bring together one voice for the student body. This starts with giving Aggies the ability to be heard through events such as town halls and leadership round tables. The idea of a cohesive vision for the future incorporates all parts of my platform; from building a transportation task force, to bringing healthier food options on campus, I want to make sure all voices at the table are heard and the solutions are developed with everyone in mind.

What is your favorite Aggie tradition and why?
Silver Taps is my favorite Aggie tradition as it is an inspiring event. To see several hundred Aggies take time out of their busy schedule late at night to pay tribute to fallen classmates is something that is incredible and unique to our campus.

What advice do you have for new Aggies?
Get Involved! My involvement on campus has been the best part of my college experience. The people and connections you make within an organization will change your life. It can be intimidating at first, but don’t be afraid to put yourself out there and go to Howdy Week and MSC Open House!
ORIENTATION

TEAM LEADERS

Devrie Duncan
Liberty Hill, TX
Class of 2020
Public Health
Worthwhile

Amiri Fowler
Plano, TX
Class of 2019
Biomedical Science
Unparalleled

Karla Garza
Laredo, TX
Class of 2020
Psychology
Learning

Alexsa Hernandez
Dallas, TX
Class of 2021
Child Professional Services
Meaningful

Frasier Jordan
Houston, TX
Class of 2021
Biology
Incomparable

Savannah Bogard
San Antonio, TX
Class of 2021
Environmental Studies
Memorable

Jayleen Chapa
Dallas, TX
Class of 2021
Anthropology
Opportunity

Kialy Coleman
Mont Belvieu, TX
Class of 2022
Blinn TEAM/Animal Science
Unbelievable

Madison Cordell
Bynum, TX
Class of 2020
Political Science
Surprising

Sam Dickinson
Bellevue, NE
Class of 2021
Psychology
Perseverance
LEADERS

Sara Dlugos
Valley Mills, TX
Class of 2020
Biomedical Sciences

Chrissi Erwin
Round Rock, TX
Class of 2021
Aerospace Engineering

Lexxy Facio
New London, TX
Class of 2020
Biomedical Sciences

Baylee Floyd
Georgetown, TX
Class of 2021
Communication

Matthew Francis
New Orleans, LA
Class of 2022
Political Science

Michael Gardner
Houston, TX
Class of 2020
Human Resource Development

Stephanie Gonzalez
Brownsville, TX
Class of 2020
Psychology

Spencer Gosmano
Houston, TX
Class of 2022
Accounting

Abby Hernandez
San Antonio, TX
Class of 2021
Communications

Lindsey Hitt
Austin, TX
Class of 2022
Biology

Jabreon Jackson
Caldwell, TX
Class of 2021
Interdisciplinary Studies

Delaney King
San Antonio, TX
Class of 2020
Public Health

McKenzie Manning
Argyle, TX
Class of 2020
Psychology

Kaya Mariello
Saco, ME
Class of 2021
Nuclear Engineering

Britt Medellin
Brownsville, TX
Class of 2021
Bilingual Education
Maddie Murphy
Chicago, IL
Class of 2021
Industrial Engineering
Metamorphic

Simi Olowe
El Paso, TX
Class of 2020
Communication
Impactful

Alyssa Peña
San Antonio, TX
Class of 2020
English
Outstanding

Matt Potts
San Antonio, TX
Class of 2021
Finance
Home

Bailie Rivera
Burleson, TX
Class of 2022
General Studies
Incredible

Danya Rivera
Brownsville, TX
Class of 2021
Public Health
Growth

Adam Rodriguez
Lubbock, TX
Class of 2022
Agriculture Leadership and Development
Inspiring

Kellee Scheer
Selma, AL
Class of 2022
Engineering
Extraordinary

Sofia Sierra
Honduras
Class of 2021
Architecture
Formidable

Wendy Tamayo
Brownsville, TX
Class of 2021
Community Health
Enriching

Kaydia Thomas
Bedford, TX
Class of 2022
Biomedical Engineering
Fulfilling

Jonathan Tran
Houston, TX
Class of 2021
Management Information Systems
Eventful

Taylor Tschirhart
Castroville, TX
Class of 2020
Kinesiology
Transformative

Amy Zhou
Houston, TX
Class of 2021
Applied Mathematics
Profound

Ask your OL about their experiences at Texas A&M and why they selected this word to describe it.
Howdy!

Welcome to your new home for the next four years! Texas A&M University is a school rich in tradition, dedicated to honoring our history but also committed to innovation and growth. By choosing to attend Texas A&M, you’re joining a family and lifelong network of more than 500,000 Aggies from all over the world.

We stand as the 12th Man not only at athletic events, but also for our community and each other. With over 1,000 student organizations available, every student can find a place to build strong friendships and develop leadership skills.

Your New Student Conference (NSC) will lay the foundation for your success at Texas A&M and introduce you to resources and services to help provide a smooth transition to the University.

1. **Keep this workbook handy** throughout your NSC and use it to engage with the presentations and take notes.

2. **Download the free TAMU Mobile App** in your app store for the NSC schedule, bus routes, maps and more!

3. **Get social with us!** Follow @NSFPtamu on Twitter and Instagram, and add new_aggie on Snapchat. Use #TAMUNSC when posting about your NSC experience.
JOINING A COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS
9:30 - 9:50 a.m. | Rudder Auditorium

This session provides important information about the opportunities, rights and responsibilities as a new member of Texas A&M's Community of Scholars.

1. You belong at Texas A&M because you've earned your way into one of the most prestigious research universities in the world!

2. You will need to work hard, but you can succeed. Texas A&M has lots of resources to assist you with your academic and personal transitions to college.

3. To make the most of your time at Texas A&M, you should look for transformational opportunities like study abroad, internships, or undergraduate research to extend your education beyond the classroom.

4. You need to get involved and engage with campus resources and activities. This engagement will support your success during and after your undergraduate program.

5. If you need help, you should seek assistance right away.

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Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs
studentaffairs.tamu.edu
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979.845.4728

Office of Undergraduate Studies
us.tamu.edu
apus@tamu.edu
979.845.3210

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FINANCIAL MATTERS
9:50 - 10:20 a.m. | Rudder Auditorium

Staff will discuss tuition and fees, methods of payment, direct deposit, important due dates, and financial resources, including scholarships, grants, and loans.

MATCH MUST DO/MUST KNOW DESCRIPTION

1. Designate him/her as an Authorized User in Howdy
2. cservice@ecsi.net
3. Go to sbs.tamu.edu, scroll all the way down to the bottom of the page and click on “Text SBS”
4. Payment In Full & Installment Plan
5. Aggie Answers
6. Howdy Portal
7. Sign up for Direct Deposit
8. TGTP.tamu.edu
9. August 23, 2019
10. Aggie Card

A. At the beginning of each semester, each student has to select one of these two payment plans and enroll by the payment due date.
B. This is the portal on our website where you can type in any questions about tuition and fees, billing and payments, or due dates.
C. This is your official ID at Texas A&M. You’re expected to submit a photo online prior to Day 1 of your NSC in order to pick it up at Check-In.
D. This is what you need to do by August in order for Student Business Services to issue you refunds or any credit balance owed to you by the university.
E. This is how you enable a parent/guardian to view or pay your bill online.
F. The due date to pay tuition and fees for fall 2019.
G. Where you go to view your bill and make payments online.
H. The listed address of the email that contains the Heartland Key you’ll need to sign up for Direct Deposit.
I. How you set up texting for billing information.
J. Where you go to receive instructions on how to activate or request your Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan.

• The Financial Aid Portal can be accessed through the _________________ Portal. The ______________________________ tab in the Financial Aid Portal will display any missing items that may hold up my financial aid disbursement.

• The earliest date my fall 2019 financial aid can disburse is ________________.

• The FAFSA becomes available each year on _________________.

• The University Scholarship Application becomes available each year on _________________ and is due on _________________.

CONTACT
Student Business Services
sbs.tamu.edu
sbs@tamu.edu
979.847.3337

Scholarships & Financial Aid
financialaid.tamu.edu
financialaid@tamu.edu
979.845.3236

New Aggie Workbook 11
SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION
10:40 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Location varies, see nametag

Students will be divided into groups with an Orientation Leader to get to know other transfer Aggies, discuss their transition to Texas A&M, and learn about campus services including dining, parking, information technology and Code Maroon.

Name of my Orientation Leaders (OLs): ________________________________________________  Small Group Number: ______
OLs’ Contact Information: ____________________________________________________________ Room Number: ______

WHAT IS THIS GROUP & WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

1. Your orientation group provides an opportunity to meet other transfer students, ask questions and gain perspective on the Texas A&M experience.

2. Connect with your Orientation Leaders about what life is like at Texas A&M. They’ve been in your shoes and are excited and ready to answer your questions about being a new student.

Academics
My major is ________________________________.

My college is ________________________________, and the College Meeting is in _______________ room _____________.

To get to my College Meeting, it is best for me to:
  □ Meet the Orientation Leaders at 7:45 AM in Rudder Plaza
  □ Drive and park in __________________________
  □ Ride the campus shuttle

Logistics
I can register for my parking permit at _______________________ until ____________________.

My Texas A&M Gmail is ________________________________.

I still need to set up (circle all that apply):
Code Maroon  DUO Authentication  TAMU Mobile App
TAMU Gmail  Self-Service Password Reset

Your Aggie ID Card has several helpful numbers, such as University Police, Corps Escort Service and Student Counseling Helpline, listed on the back of the card. If you lose your Aggie Card, you should report it lost or stolen online at myaggiecard.tamu.edu or by calling 979.845.4661.

I still have the following registration holds:

How to resolve my holds:
TEXAS A&M HISTORY 101

1. Texas A&M is the state’s first public institution of higher education, established under the Morrill Act of 1862 and opening its doors in 1876 as an all-male military institution.

2. Under the presidency of Gen. James Earl Rudder in the 1960s, the college opened its doors to African-Americans, formally admitted women, and made participation in the Corps of Cadets voluntary.

3. In 1963, the Texas state legislature officially renamed the school to Texas A&M University, with the "A" and "M" no longer officially standing for "Agricultural and Mechanical."

Core Values
- Excellence
- Integrity
- Leadership
- Loyalty
- Respect
- Selfless Service

WAYS I CAN ENGAGE WITH THE AGGIE COMMUNITY:

RESOURCES FOR CAMPUS ENGAGEMENT

MSC Open House
A student organization fair held at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters.
mscopenhouse.tamu.edu

Student Activities Online
The organization management and resource center hosted by The Department of Student Activities featuring OrgSearch, a searchable database of over 800 student organizations, and OrgMatch, a personal profiler to match students with their ideal organizations.
stuactonline.tamu.edu

Aggie Serve
AggieServe is a service-learning and volunteer opportunity directory that connects students, faculty, and staff to agencies and opportunities in the Bryan/College Station area.
aggieserve.tamu.edu

Jobs for Aggies
An online resource for students with information about on-campus employment, job search advice, and an online job database.
jobsforaggies.tamu.edu
AGGIES RESPECT
12:45 - 2:15 p.m.  |  Rudder Theatre

Centered around Texas A&M's Core Value of Respect, students will understand the role and responsibility they have in creating a community that supports all members of the Aggie Family. Presenters will discuss ways each individual contributes to our campus and will explain bystander intervention tips that students can use to help create a Community of Respect.

The Department of Multicultural Services provides multiple support services for students from underrepresented populations and offers a variety of diversity education presentations and workshops for the entire student body.

I can make Texas A&M a more welcoming campus by:

The website where I can report an act of insensitivity or bias is: _______________________.tamu.edu.

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CONTACT
Department of Multicultural Services
dms.tamu.edu
DMS-Info@dms.tamu.edu
979.862.2000
1. ________________ is clear, positive, and voluntary verbal or non-verbal communication that all participants have agreed to sexual activity.

2. Causing someone to fear for their safety (and/or the safety of others) by engaging in repeated, unwanted behaviors is ________________.

3. Any non-consensual touching of a sexual nature is referred to as ________________.

4. ________________ is a workshop that trains all members of our campus community to have trauma-informed conversations with individuals who have experienced sexual violence.

5. ________________ is an office on the TAMU campus that offers programming around alcohol and other drug use, sexual health, and interpersonal violence prevention.

6. An example of ________________ would be hitting, kicking, or slapping a current or former girlfriend or boyfriend.

7. Persistent remarks of a sexual nature about a person’s clothing or appearance that interferes with their ability to do well at work or in school is an example of ________________.

8. ________________ is an umbrella term that refers to any type of violence committed by one person against another.

9. This training teaches students, faculty, and staff how to stop potential acts of violence before they have a chance to happen: ________________.

10. Committing an act of physical violence against your roommate would be an example of ________________.
RESOURCE TABLES
2:30 - 4:15 p.m. | Memorial Student Center Main Hallway

Various offices from the University community are represented. Gather info and ask questions at your leisure. Get your passport stamped and entered into the drawing for a $50 gift card!

WHO WILL BE THERE

- 12th Man Foundation Ticket Office
- Academic Success Center
- Aggie Honor System Office
- Aggie Transition Camps
- Campus Ministry Association (CMA)
- Choral Activities
- Department of Multicultural Services
- Dining Services/Chartwells
- Disability Services
- Division of IT
- Education Abroad
- Federation of TAMU Mothers’ Clubs
- MACRESOURCE COMPUTER CENTER
- MSC Student Programs Office
- Office for Student Success
- Office of Sustainability
- Offices of the Dean of Student Life
- Policy Internship Programs
- Professional School Advising
- Rec Sports
- Residence Life
- Scholarships & Financial Aid
- Student Activities
- Student Business Services
- Student Counseling Service
- Student Health Services
- Texas A&M Police
- Texas A&M University Libraries
- Transportation Services
- University Writing Center
- Veteran Services Office

After you visit the Resource Tables, join us for our

HOWDY SOCIAL
4:00-5:30 p.m.
See NSC Schedule for location

Enjoy light refreshments and snacks, play trivia and other games, try on an Aggie Ring, and meet other new students in a casual atmosphere.
INTEREST SESSION
2:45 - 3:45 p.m. | Location varies, see NSC Schedule
Attendees will choose which breakout session they would like to attend. See options in your official schedule.

Session I attended: _______________________________________

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VETERAN SERVICES
2:45 - 3:45 p.m. | Location varies, see NSC Schedule
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.

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CONTACT
Veteran Services Office
veterans.tamu.edu
veterans@tamu.edu
979.845.8075
My Academic Advisor: _____________________________________________________________________________________________

Email: _____________________________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________

Office Location: ______________________________________________________________

IMPORTANT DATES

When I should meet with my advisor to discuss spring registration ______________________________________________________.

The Q-drop Deadline is _____________________________. The Add/Drop Deadline is _____________________________.

My location for Course Registration at 2:00 p.m. is ______________________________________________________________.
1 Make and track appointments with your advisor quickly using the **Navigate app**. To download, search “Navigate Student” in your app store and choose “Texas A&M - College Station.”

2 The **Texas A&M Undergraduate Catalog**, published annually, provides information about the University’s undergraduate programs, including requirements for admission, services available to students, course offerings and listings of the administrative officers. The catalog is available online at [catalog.tamu.edu](http://catalog.tamu.edu).

   For help selecting classes to fulfill the Core Curriculum Requirement, visit [core.tamu.edu](http://core.tamu.edu). For help choosing courses to fulfill the International and Cultural Diversity or Cultural Discourse Requirement, visit [icd.tamu.edu](http://icd.tamu.edu).

3 The **University Academic Calendar** is provided by the Office of the Registrar and includes important University dates and deadlines such as the start/end of course registration, holiday breaks and final exams. The calendar is available online at [tx.ag/AcademicCalendar](http://tx.ag/AcademicCalendar).

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**The Academic Success Center helps students achieve their academic goals by providing resources such as:**

- [successcenter.tamu.edu](http://successcenter.tamu.edu)
- successcenter@tamu.edu
- 979.458.4900
IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST
8/18-8/25 — Howdy Week
8/23 — Last day to register for fall classes
8/23 — Tuition and fee payment due date
8/26 — First day of fall classes

SEPTEMBER
9/2 — Last day to add/drop classes for fall

OCTOBER
10/14 — Mid-semester grades due

NOVEMBER
11/7 — Pre-registration for spring classes begins
11/15 — Last day for Q-drop or withdrawal from the university
11/18 — Bonfire 1999 Remembrance Day
11/22 — Pre-registration for spring classes ends
11/27 — Reading Day (no classes)
11/28-11/29 — Thanksgiving; University closed

DECEMBER
12/2 — Redefined Day – Students attend Friday classes
12/3 — Redefined Day – Students attend Thursday classes
12/4 — Last day of fall classes
12/5 — Reading Day (no classes)
12/6-12/11 — Fall final exams
12/16 — Final grades due
12/23-12/31 — University closed

JANUARY
1/1 — New Year’s Day; University closed
1/13 — First day of spring classes
1/17 — Last day to add/drop classes for spring
1/20 — Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; University closed

FEBRUARY

MARCH
3/2 — Mid-semester grades due
3/9-3/13 — Spring Break
3/11-3/13 — University closed

APRIL
4/2 — Pre-registration for fall and summer classes begins
4/10 — Reading Day (no classes)
4/14 — Last day for Q-drop or withdrawal from the university
4/17 — Pre-registration for fall and summer classes ends
4/17-4/19 — Family Weekend
4/21 — Muster
4/28 — Last day of spring classes, Redefined Day – Students attend Friday classes
4/29 — Reading Day (no classes)
4/30 — Spring final exams

MAY
5/1-5/5 — Spring final exams
5/11 — Final grades due
5/22 — Last day to register for first summer term and 10-week classes
5/25 — Memorial Day; University closed
5/26 — First day of first summer term and 10-week classes
5/29 — Last day to add/drop classes for first summer term and 10-week classes
Transfer Camp, known as T-Camp, is a three-day extended orientation program that introduces transfer students to the many opportunities at Texas A&M and the long-standing traditions that embody the true meaning of being an Aggie. The camp gives transfer students the opportunity to meet fellow students and learn more about life at A&M.

Are you interested in jump-starting your college career at Texas A&M by sharing in exciting experiences with fellow new Aggies? Venture Camps are designed with you in mind. The Extended Orientation Team in the Department of Student Activities has partnered with other areas on campus to welcome all incoming students through these new opportunities.

- **Venture Camp: Backpacking** is the newest extended orientation program to be offered and is a 9-day program led by trip leaders from Outdoor Adventures who will guide incoming Aggies through the beautiful Gila Wilderness in New Mexico.

- **Venture: Base Camp** is an outdoor extended orientation experience that takes place both on the Texas A&M campus and in the Texas Hill Country. Base camp is sure to provide you with many fun and exciting activities including camping, hiking, canoeing, rock climbing, team building activities, and more.

The goal of the Transfer Student Program (TSP) is to facilitate your transition to Texas A&M. TSP provides Transfer Student Peer Mentors to welcome you to the university, answer questions, make referrals, assist in finding resources, offer one-on-one academic support, and acclimate you to campus as well as the surrounding Bryan/College Station area.

Howdy Week is Aggieland's official week of welcome held the week before fall classes begin. Howdy Week provides new and returning students an opportunity to learn more about campus, each other, and college life in general through a series of educational and social events sponsored by university departments, colleges, student organizations, residence halls, and community groups. Howdy Week is coordinated by the Office of New Student & Family Programs.

DON’T FORGET TO:

- **Sign up for Code Maroon** at codemaroon.tamu.edu. 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.

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

- **You may want to rent a mailbox** if you are living on campus. Boxes may be rented for the Southside or Northside of campus. For more information and to download the rental forms, visit bauservicesinc.com. The Northgate Post Office offers P.O. Box rental and is open 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or you can rent online at usps.com.

- **Pick up your sports pass.** If you reserved a sports pass and have received your student ID card, you may pick it up at the ticket window inside the Zone Club Lobby of Kyle Field (North End Zone, Entry 6) from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday - Friday.

- **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. Stop by Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. to pick up your New Student Packet and ask any questions, or 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.

- **Take the survey** at tx.ag/OLsurvey to let us know how your Orientation Leader did.

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

- **Add your preferred emergency contact information** in the Howdy portal.

ENHANCE YOUR AGGIE EXPERIENCE

**T-CAMP**

*t-camp.tamu.edu*

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**VENTURE CAMPS**

*tx.ag/VentureCamps*

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- **Venture: Base Camp** is an outdoor extended orientation experience that takes place both on the Texas A&M campus and in the Texas Hill Country. Base camp is sure to provide you with many fun and exciting activities including camping, hiking, canoeing, rock climbing, team building activities, and more.

**TRANSFER STUDENT PROGRAM**

*successcenter.tamu.edu*

The goal of the Transfer Student Program (TSP) is to facilitate your transition to Texas A&M. TSP provides Transfer Student Peer Mentors to welcome you to the university, answer questions, make referrals, assist in finding resources, offer one-on-one academic support, and acclimate you to campus as well as the surrounding Bryan/College Station area.

**HOWDY WEEK**

*howdyweek.tamu.edu*

Howdy Week is Aggieland's official week of welcome held the week before fall classes begin. Howdy Week provides new and returning students an opportunity to learn more about campus, each other, and college life in general through a series of educational and social events sponsored by university departments, colleges, student organizations, residence halls, and community groups. Howdy Week is coordinated by the Office of New Student & Family Programs.
NEW STUDENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS

In support of Texas A&M University’s mission, the goal of New Student & Family Programs is to facilitate the success of new students through their first year at A&M, thereby retaining them for their second year and through graduation. Recognizing the important role that family members play in a student’s college success, we strive to equip families with the resources to aid their student throughout their student’s college career.

What we do:
• **New Student Conferences (NSC):** The mandatory orientation for all incoming undergraduate students.
• **Howdy Week:** Aggieland’s Week of Welcome held each August full of events and opportunities for new and returning students to become acquainted with campus.
• **Family Weekend:** A weekend dedicated to Aggie parents and family members that began in 1919 and provides students a chance to express their gratitude to those who have impacted their lives.
• **Aggie Family Programs:** Striving to keep family members informed about university activities through the Aggie Family Network portal (see below), webchats and various publications.

Student Leadership
• **Orientation Leaders (OLs):** A select group of dedicated undergraduate leaders who assist in welcoming new students and families to Aggieland during the New Student Conferences.
• **Aggie Family Ambassadors (AFAs):** Student leaders dedicated to selflessly serving Aggie family members by providing exceptional Aggie family experiences and assisting with Family Weekend, Parents of the Year, and communication and outreach for all Aggie families.

AGGIE FAMILY NETWORK

Encourage your family members to sign up for the Aggie Family Network Portal to enhance their Aggie family experience! This online portal will allow your family to customize the information they receive from Texas A&M.

E-newsletters from New Student & Family Programs can be tailored to their interests, and they can decide how often they would like to receive updates.

Your family can sign up to receive Aggie Family Newsletters at tx.ag/FamilyPortal.

Once a member of the Aggie Family Network Portal, family members will have access to a specially curated news feed, calendar of important dates, helpful resources and more!
Howdy! My name is ______________________ _______________________________ and I am a __________________________________ major from ___________________________________. And I am a loud and proud member of the Fightin’ Texas Aggie Class of __________________! (Wildcat)

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EVENT LOCATIONS
1. Kyle Field (northwest corner) NSC Check-In
2. Memorial Student Center Major Conference Programs
3. Rudder Theatre Complex Major Conference Programs
4. Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center Howdy Social

PARKING
5. West Campus Garage Lot 61 Recommended for Day 1 with NSC permit
6. Cain Garage Upgraded parking option for NSC Permit

ON-CAMPUS ACCOMODATIONS
7. Commons Residence Halls
8. White Creek Apartments

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This map highlights locations specific to NSC programs. A more comprehensive map is available at aggiemap.tamu.edu and in the TAMU Mobile App.