PRE-CONFERENCE DAY  -  MONDAY, AUGUST 19

6:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.  Open Recreation  
Rec Center  
You and your student may use the Student Recreation Center, also known as the Rec Center, by checking in at the Member Services Desk. Equipment fees may apply. Proper attire is required. Minors (under the age of 18) must be under adult supervision during the entirety of their visit.

3:30-4:45 p.m.  Student & Family Early Check-In  
Zone Club, Kyle Field  

4:30-5:30 p.m.  Singing Cadets Auditions  
MSC L110, Choral Activities  
If your student is interested in being part of Texas A&M's premier all-male chorus, please stop by for a brief audition! Please note: Membership in the Corps of Cadets is not required.

DAY 1  -  TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

8:00–9:00 a.m.  Student & Family NSC Check-In  
Zone Club, Kyle Field  
Students and family members/guests must check in to the conference. Everyone will receive orientation materials and an official conference schedule.

9:15–9:30 a.m.  Welcome  
Rudder Auditorium  
This opening session is your formal welcome to the Aggie Family from New Student & Family Programs!

9:30–9:50 a.m.  Joining a Community of Scholars  
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.

9:50–10:10 a.m.  Faculty & Advisor Insights  
Rudder Auditorium  
Students will receive information regarding classroom behavior, academic rigor and the role of their academic advisor.

10:10–10:40 a.m.  Financial Matters  
Rudder Auditorium  
Staff will discuss tuition and fees, methods of payment, direct deposit, important due dates, and financial resources including scholarships, grants, and loans.

10:55–11:30 a.m.  Introduction to Being an Aggie Family Member  
Rudder Auditorium  
New Student & Family Programs staff will offer an introduction to the various Aggie family programs in place to support you through your student's time at Texas A&M.

11:40 a.m.–12:40 p.m.  Family Lunch  
MSC 2300, Bethancourt Ballroom  
Enjoy lunch in a relaxed atmosphere while you meet other Aggie family members and interact with Orientation Leaders.
### DAY 1 - CONTINUED

**HELP DESK: 7:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Rudder Exhibit Hall**

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| 12:55–1:40 p.m.| **The Essentials**  
Presentations by Campus Dining, Residence Life & Housing, and Off-Campus Student Services. Additional information regarding FERPA and Parent Access. | Rudder Auditorium      |
| 1:40–2:40 p.m. | **Safety & Wellness**  
Learn about safety and wellness on campus and hear from a panel of representatives from the University Police Department, Student Health Services, and Student Counseling Service. | Rudder Auditorium      |
| 2:40–3:30 p.m. | **Partners in Success**  
Representatives from the Offices of the Dean of Student Life and Student Counseling Service will discuss ways the university partners with families to support and encourage students throughout their career at Texas A&M. | Rudder Auditorium      |

**STUDENTS & FAMILY MEMBERS WILL COME BACK TOGETHER AT THIS POINT**

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| 3:30–4:45 p.m. | **Resource Tables**  
Various offices from the University community are represented. Gather info and ask questions at your leisure. | MSC 1st Floor Hallway  |
| 3:45–4:15 p.m. | **Interest Session**  
Attendees will choose which breakout session they would like to attend. | See Options Below      |
| 4:00–4:45 p.m. | **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       |

### INTEREST SESSIONS

- **Academic Success Center | Rudder Auditorium**  
  Come learn the best strategies and skills successful students use to excel in college and how the Academic Success Center can help you achieve your academic goals.

- **Career Center/Transition Academic Programs | Rudder Tower 401**  
  Hear about services and resources including resume and cover letter review, mock interviews, and planning for future employment.

- **Counseling and Psychological Services | MSC 2405**  
  Learn ways to be proactive about managing your stress and the importance of self-care as you begin your Aggie journey.

- **Education Abroad | MSC 2406-B**  
  You can study abroad! Learn about international education opportunities and funding resources.

- **Money Education Center | MSC 2404**  
  This presentation provides recommendations which can help students be more financially successful during college so that they can be in a great financial position upon graduation.

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

- **Secondary Teacher Certification | Rudder Tower 302**  
  Students interested in teacher certification for secondary education, regardless of major, should attend this session.

**NEED A BREAK?**

**VISIT THE FAMILY LOUNGE IN RUDDER EXHIBIT HALL.**  
Relax and charge your phone in a quiet atmosphere.  
Available 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. on Day 1 of your conference.
7:15–8:15 a.m.  Breakfast
Breakfast will be available for all registered attendees at or near the College Meeting locations.

7:30 a.m.  Travel to College Meetings
Orientation Leaders will walk you to college meetings. All groups depart at 8:05 a.m.

7:30 a.m.  Campus Shuttles
Orientation Leaders will direct you to shuttles for selected meetings (noted below). Last shuttle departs from the MSC at 8:00 a.m.

8:30 a.m.  College Meetings & Academic Advising
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):

- **Aggie ACHIEVE**
  Memorial Student Center 2402 (MSC)

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

- **Architecture (AR)**
  Architecture Building B 101 (ARCB)

- **Business (BA)**
  Wehner 114 (WCBA)

- **Education (ED)**
  Harrington Education Center Classroom Building 207 (HECC)

- **Engineering (EN)**
  Rudder Theatre

- **Geosciences (GE)**
  Halbouty 101 (HALB)

- **Liberal Arts (LA)**
  Harrington Education Center Classroom Building 108 & 110 (HECC)

- **Public Health (PH)**
  Reynolds 141 (REYN)

- **Science (SC)**
  Blocker 102 (BLOC)

- **Transition Academic Programs (GS) - Blinn TEAM**
  Heldenfels 105 (HELD)

- **Veterinary Medicine (VM)**
  Veterinary Medicine Building 1, Room 107 (VENI)

* Denotes locations on the NSC shuttle route

9:15–10:45 a.m.  Math Placement Exam — College of Engineering/College of Science Only
Students in the College of Engineering and College of Science (excluding Biology majors) sit for a proctored Math Placement Exam. Location provided at College Meeting

11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.  Lunch
Use the ticket attached to your nametag at any campus dining location listed on the voucher. Times will vary depending on when you are dismissed from your College Meeting.

2:30–6:00 p.m.  Course Registration
*Exact time and location will be announced during College Meetings.* Blinn TEAM students will arrive earlier. Students will register for their fall classes and optional campus services. Please be prepared to stay until 6 p.m. if necessary.
JOIN THE AGGIE PARENT & FAMILY CONNECTION!

The Office of New Student & Family Programs is excited to offer the Aggie Parent & Family Connection portal to enhance your Aggie family experience! This online portal will allow you to customize the information you receive from Texas A&M.

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

If you would like to receive Aggie Family Newsletters, visit tx.ag/FamilyPortal and create an account using your email address.

Once a member of the Aggie Parent & Family Connection, you will have access to a specially curated news feed, calendar of important dates, helpful resources and more! You can even save or share articles you find particularly relevant or interesting.