



Supporting My Aggie's Transition

Student Life's New Student and Family Programs



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Session Overview

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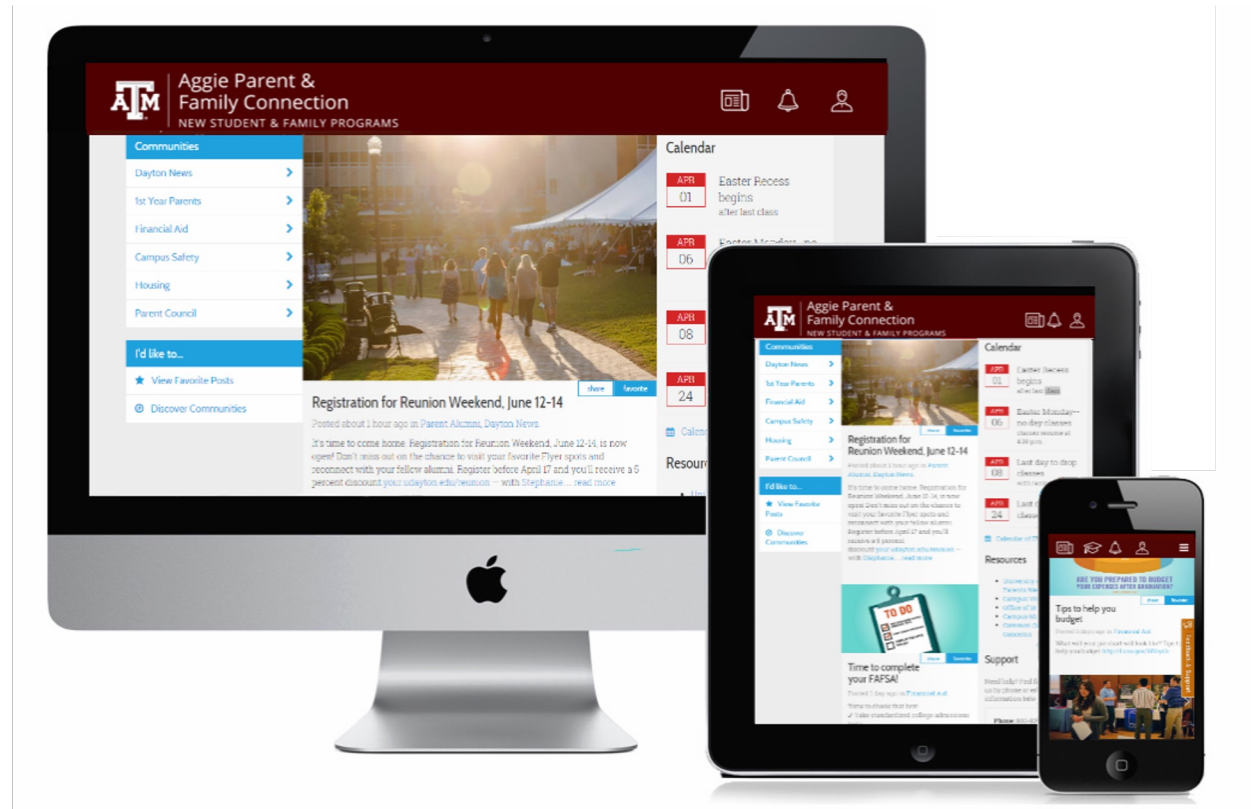


Family Calendar & Resource Guide

- Online version available at tx.ag/FCRG in English and Spanish
- Additional copies available at Rudder Help Desk (as supplies last)



Aggie Parent & Family Connection Portal



tx.ag/familyportal

Onboarding Survey

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Welcome to The Aggie Parent & Family Connection Step 3 of 4

Please fill in the following information to help us create an experience customized to your interests:

Your Contact Information

Title

First Name

Required

Last Name

Required

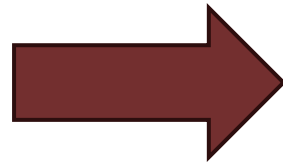
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Phone Number

Address

Joining Communities

- Discover and join communities to tailor the information in your feed.



The screenshot shows the Texas A&M University website. At the top is a dark red header with the 'ATM' logo and 'TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY' text. To the right of the header are icons for a calendar, a notification bell with the number '34', and a user profile icon. Below the header is a green banner that says 'Successfully logged in.' with a close button 'x'. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column has a 'NEW COMMUNITY OFF-CAMPUS LIVING' section with a 'JOIN TODAY!' button, followed by 'My Family Groups' and 'Families of Current Students' with a right arrow. Below these is a 'Families of Current Students Communities' section, which is highlighted with a red border. This section contains a list of links: 'Aggie News', 'Parent & Family News', 'Student Support', 'Aggie One Stop - Paying Student's Bill, Financial Aid, and Scholarships', 'Graduating in 2025', 'Graduating in 2026', 'Graduating in 2027', and 'Graduating in 2028'. Each link has a right arrow. The middle column features a large image of a busy university hallway. Below the image is a social media bar with icons for Facebook, X, LinkedIn, and Email. Underneath is a post titled 'Supporting Your Aggie as They Find Their Place at Texas A&M' with a star icon. The post text says 'Posted about 6 hours ago in Graduating in 2029.' and 'If your student is navigating challenges at Texas A&M—whether they didn't make that organization, are still searching for their people, or are figuring out their next steps—these uncertain moments often lead to the most meaningful growth. The Division of Student Affairs... read full article'. At the bottom of the post is a comment box with a user icon and the text 'Write a comment...'. The right column has a search bar labeled 'Search Posts...' and a 'Calendar' section. The calendar shows dates from December 9 to 23 with corresponding events: 'Reading Days - No classes' (Dec 9), 'Final Examinations' (Dec 11), 'Commencement and Commissioning' (Dec 17), 'Graduation Application Open for Spring 2026 Degree Candidates' (Dec 22), and 'Undergraduate Change of Curriculum' (Dec 23).

Family Weekend

Held each Spring at Texas
A&M since 1919

A weekend dedicated to all
Aggie Family members

April 10-12, 2026

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PARENT & FAMILY PORTAL

Get access to an individualized curated news feed, calendar of important dates, helpful



FAMILY WEEKEND

Family Weekend is held each spring and is dedicated to all Aggie family members. Join us April 10-12, 2026!



NEW STUDENT CONFERENCES

The New Student Conference (NSC) is the first step in every Aggie's journey at Texas A&M.



FAQs

Browse through our FAQs to learn more about academics, student resources, student life, campus health and safety, and the tuition and billing process

FERPA & Parent and Family Guardian Access

- Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) = student owns their records
- Students must authorize access
- Directory information is publicly available (such as name, classification, university email, and degree plan)
- More information can be found on our website
 - Family Programs > Family and Guardian Access



Dr. Baker Video – W-Curve

A cinematic scene featuring two leather armchairs in a studio setting. The room is dimly lit with a strong blue ambient light. Two large studio lights on stands, positioned on either side of the chairs, cast a warm orange glow. The background consists of a blue curtain. A white rectangular box with a dark red border is centered over the image, containing the text "Armchair Conversations".

Armchair Conversations

Logistics Planning

- Conversation Starters to Ask Your Student:
 - How are you tracking your bills, so nothing accidentally gets missed?
 - Do you feel clear on when rent and utilities are due each month?
 - Do you know who to contact if there is a maintenance issue in your apartment?
 - Have you talked through a budget for groceries, gas, and personal spending?
 - What is your plan for meals during a typical week?
 - Do you know where the closest grocery store is to where you live?
 - What kitchen tools or basics do you already have, and what might you still need?
 - How are you planning to get to and from campus most days?
 - Do you feel comfortable navigating campus and the surrounding area yet?

Resources to Support

- Student Life
 - Off Campus Student Services
 - Student Legal Services
- Texas A&M Dining
- Transportation
- travelsafe.tamu.edu



Safety

- Conversation Starters to Ask Your Student:
 - Do you feel confident about how to safely get around campus during the day and at night?
 - Are you wearing a helmet when using a bike, scooter, or other personal transportation?
 - How will you stay aware of your surroundings when walking across campus, especially at night?
 - Do you know how to contact the University Police Department in an emergency and in a non-emergency situation?
 - Have you signed up for campus emergency alerts so you receive real-time safety notifications?
 - If you were sick, injured, or needed medical care, would you know how to access University Health Services?
 - Do you know what resources are available if you or a friend are struggling with personal safety, stress, or well-being?

Resources to Support

- Code Maroon
- [Emergency.tamu.edu](https://emergency.tamu.edu)
- [Tellsomebody.tamu.edu](https://tellsomebody.tamu.edu)
- [Upd.tamu.edu](https://upd.tamu.edu)
- [Travelsafe.tamu.edu](https://travelsafe.tamu.edu)



Belonging

- Conversation Starters to Ask Your Student:
 - Have you found any student organizations, programs, or activities that you are interested in joining?
 - Have you considered an on-campus job or leadership role as a way to get connected and build experience?
 - If you have a tough day or week, who on campus do you feel comfortable reaching out to?
 - What kind of involvement do you think will help you feel most like you belong here?

Resources to Support

- [GetInvovled.tamu.edu](https://getinvolved.tamu.edu)
- [JobsforAggies.tamu.edu](https://jobsforaggies.tamu.edu)
- [Ugr.tamu.edu](https://ugr.tamu.edu)
- [Uhs.tamu.edu](https://uhs.tamu.edu)



A cinematic scene featuring two leather armchairs in a studio setting. The background is a dark blue curtain, and the floor is a dark wooden plank. Two large studio lights on stands are positioned on either side of the chairs, casting a warm orange glow. The scene is bathed in a cool blue light, creating a moody atmosphere. A white rectangular box with a dark red border is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text "Final Thoughts".

Final Thoughts

Next Steps for the NSC Experience

Afternoon (College/School Blocks)	
11:50-12:15	Travel (Charter busses/OL escorts)
12:15-3:30	College/Department Time
3:30	Course Registration

Family or guest attendance is different for each academic unit. Please refer to the communication your student received from their college for if you are able to attend the afternoon's programming.

Family Lounge

- A dedicated family support space during the afternoon of the NSC.
- Location: MSC Room 2300 A&B
- Time: 2-4 p.m.
- What's available:
 - Charging
 - Campus partners
 - Aggie Moms
 - Parent and Family Advisory Council members

Note: It is likely you will not be allowed into the room when your student is registering for classes



Thanks & Gig 'em!

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Dismissal

- Stay seated until all instructions have been given.
- Notes about lunch:
 - Move through the line quickly and find a seat.
 - Your student will join you at the dining hall.
 - The lunch break is brief.
 - Orientation Leaders will provide a 10-minute and 5-minute warning
- We will dismiss by dining hall location. Please wait until you hear your group.

The Commons

- Exit [instructions]
- After lunch, you will board a bus to the College Block Sessions.
- Most colleges will have a return shuttle.
- Shuttle times:

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Mays Business School will not have return shuttles as they are near West Campus Garage.

The Commons

Colleges

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Mays Business School

Bush School of Government and Public Service

School of Public Health

College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Everyone else, please remain seated!

Sbisa

- Exit [instructions]
- After lunch, Orientation Leaders will escort you from Sbisa Plaza to your College Block Sessions.
 - Look for the sign matching your student's college or major and be ready to depart at [Insert Time].
- NOTE: If your student is in Engineering, you will NOT take part in afternoon programming.

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Colleges

College of Architecture

College of Arts and Sciences

College of Education and Human Development

College of Engineering

College of Performance, Visualization and Fine Arts