



East Texas A&M University

New Student Checklist

Before Arrival

- ☐ **Submit FAFSA/TASFA Annually** for financial aid (School code: 003565)
- ☐ **Accept Admission Offer** via personal email
- ☐ **Set Up your myLeo Email** and check it regularly
- ☐ **Register for New Student Orientation (NSO)**
- ☐ **Submit Bacterial Meningitis Vaccine Record** (required for students under 22; you will receive an email in your LeoMail from service@magnushealthportal.com)
- ☐ **Take TSI Assessment** (if required)
- ☐ **Talk to an Advisor & Register for Classes**
- ☐ **Apply for Housing** if living on campus (myLeo --> Apps Tab)
- ☐ **Send Final High School or College Transcripts**
- ☐ **Check Financial Aid Portal** (MyLeo --> Student Resources Tab) regularly for updates, award notifications, and to accept/decline aid
- ☐ **Apply for Scholarships** through the Donor Funded Portal (myLeo --> Apps Tab)
- ☐ **Apply for External Scholarships**
- ☐ **Complete the FERPA Form (Optional)** if you want your parents to access your financial aid information



New Student Orientation

Payments & ID

- ☐ **Set Up Refund Selection** (myLeo --> Apps Tab)
- ☐ **Set Up a Payment Plan** (myLeo --> Student Resources Tab --> LeoPay)
- ☐ **Get Your Student ID (Lion Card)** Check LeoMail for instructions
- ☐ **Check Student Account** for financial aid disbursements (begin monitoring 10 days before classes start; myLeo --> Student Resources Tab --> LeoPay)
- ☐ **Set Up Authorized User (Optional)** Parent/Guardian contributions (myLeo --> Student Resources Tab --> LeoPay)



FERPA Form

Academic Prep

- ☐ **Purchase or Rent Textbooks**
- ☐ **Download D2L Brightspace** (learning platform)
- ☐ **Explore Tutoring & Success Resources**
- ☐ **Review Your Class Schedule & Campus Map**
- ☐ **Check Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)** status in myLeo at the end of the semester

Move-In & Life Prep

- ☐ **Pack Dorm Essentials** (bed linens, toiletries, school supplies, etc.)
- ☐ **Coordinate Move-In Time**
- ☐ **Get Parking Permit** if bringing a car (myLeo --> Apps Tab)
- ☐ **Familiarize Yourself with Campus Services** (Health Center, Money Management Center, Lion Food Pantry, etc.)

Ongoing Financial To-Do's

- ☐ **Monitor LeoMail** for financial aid updates
- ☐ **Return to Financial Aid Portal Home Page** for any outstanding requirements (myLeo --> Student Resources --> Financial Aid)
- ☐ **Book an Appointment** with Financial Aid or the Money Management Center for help anytime



Appointment Booking

Get Involved

- ☐ **Follow ETAMU on Social Media** (@ETAMU1889, @BeInvolvedLions, etc.)
- ☐ **Check Out Student Organizations & Greek Life**
- ☐ **Attend Welcome Week Events**
- ☐ **Join GroupMe or Discords** for your major