Parent & Family
NEWSLETTER
March 2016

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Mar 23 De-stress with Guided Meditation
Mar 23 TX State vs South Alabama Softball

TxState Home Housing Student Business Services Registrar Academic Calendar
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Residence Hall Break Housing
Is your student staying on campus during spring break? Remember residence halls are closing for Spring Break, so make plans now! Break housing is offered at no additional cost, so long as your student signs up ahead of time.

Spring Break: Students stay in their assigned residence halls during break but break housing sign up is required to gain access to the residence halls. No charge, unless sign up is past deadline

February 25, 2016 (9 am) to March 7, 2016 (noon): Sign up for spring break break housing, no charge
March 7, 2016 (noon) to March 9, 2016 (5 pm): Late sign up for spring break, $50 administrative fee
Halls closed March 11, 2016 (6 pm) – March 20, 2015 (Noon)

FAFSA Priority Deadline is MARCH 15

Family Day 2016
Thank you to all of those that attended this year’s Family Day event! Stay tuned as we continue to develop our date for Family Weekend in the fall.

Did you take any pictures at Family Day? Make sure to upload them to our Facebook page so everyone can see!

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Summer and Fall Registration Begins March 21

March into Registration
Summer and Fall registration opens March 21. With this date fast approaching, there are several opportunities your student can take to ensure a smooth registration process.

Firstly, encourage your students to visit with an academic advisor. Many departments will have academic advisors specific to your student’s major. This is an excellent chance for your student to speak with a professional that can help guide them through the registration process.

Secondly, ask your student to complete a degree audit report. Generating a degree audit report will help ensure your students are taking the correct courses for their degree plan. It will also help your students as they create a long-range plan.

The important thing is to make sure this is a continuing topic of conversation between you and your student. Keeping it fresh on their minds will help make sure they register for the correct classes by the deadline.

Alkek Library Midterm Support

Hey Bobcat Families!

With midterms and spring break right around the corner, your students may be wondering about library hours during this crazy month of March! Alkek’s hours vary in March – from being open 24 hours/day during midterms to shortened hours over spring break. But your student can always find our hours on the main library webpage.

And remember, there’s lots of ways for your student to get help here at Alkek Library:

• Research help is available at the Research & Information Desk, or by phone, email, chat or text…or make an appointment for one-on-one help with a Subject Librarian.
• Tutoring and group study sessions at the Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC).
• And when the library is open, the Learning Commons is available for collaboration and group work.

Alkek Library staff are ready to help your student succeed!
Career Services

Summer is approaching quickly and it’s never too early to start asking your student what their plans for the summer may be. Are they looking for a summer job or perhaps a summer internship? Resources available to your students at Texas State can help them in their search for prospective employers.

Have them come by Career Services and explore their many options such as connecting with employers, exploring Grad school, and getting help with employment searches. They also help with resume reviews, mock job interviews, and career/major exploration. Best part, it's free!

Don’t forget to have them check out some of our upcoming events!

Extended Bus Services

Did you know that your student can now get on the bus and go home for the weekend?

Transportation Services is excited to announce that Kerrville Bus Company will provide weekend transportation from San Marcos to Waco, Dallas, Grand Prairie, and Houston on Fridays with return trips on Sundays. The College Shuttle is a great, low-cost option for students who want to go home on the weekends in comfort or for faculty and staff who want to take a weekend trip to Waco, Dallas, Grand Prairie or Houston.

Kerrville Bus Company operates double decker motor coaches equipped with on-board restrooms, three point seatbelts, reclining seats, and free Wi-Fi. Select buses even offer power outlets to charge devices. Fares start at $10 plus a transaction fee.

Buses will leave from the LBJ Student Center bus loop (view exact location) and provide service to the following locations:

- Grand Prairie: 710 Davis Street Megabus Terminal
- Dallas: 330 N. Olive Street D.A.R.T. East Transfer Center
- Waco: NW Corner of La Salle & 2nd St. Dairy Queen
- Katy Mills Mall: 5000 Katy Mills Circle Entrance 8
- Downtown Houston: 815 Pierce Street Megabus Terminal

Book a trip for any Friday and Sunday from February 26 through May 8, with the exception of March 13 and March 18 during Spring Break.

Visit Texas State’s transportation page for more details!