

**Parent & Family Programs** 

# November update

## **KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH**



#### It's not too late for your Tiger to catch a ride!

Holiday shuttles are still available for the Winter Break to transport students to and from the New Orleans Airport. Pre-registration for the Winter Break Holiday Shuttle closes this Sunday, December 5.

Visit <u>Isu.edu/holidayshuttle</u> for more information about shuttle dates, times, costs, and to register.



Thank you to all of the families who joined us at this year's Family Weekend! We enjoyed a wonderful weekend on campus with over 7,700 family members from 46 states and 3 countries, making this our largest ever Family Weekend.

Be sure to check out the pictures from our photo booth during the Family Weekend Welcome Buffet <u>here</u>. You can also view the videos from The Pixure Booth Spin 360 Experience during our Family Weekend Tailgate <u>here</u>.

We're excited to announce that the Family Council Silent Auction during Family Weekend raised \$17,892 for the LSU Student Emergency Support Fund, which will benefit current LSU students in need. This is the highest amount our silent auction has ever raised - THANK YOU!

If you missed the chance to purchase a Family Weekend 2021 t-shirt, it's not too late! You can <u>place your t-shirt order here</u> by December 15.

If you already pre-ordered a Family Weekend t-shirt and selected shipping as your delivery method, your t-shirt(s) will be mailed starting tomorrow, December 1.

Stay tuned for the announcement of next year's Family Weekend date soon!



Fall Commencement - December 17, 2021

Is your student graduating in December? The Fall 2021 Commencement ceremonies will be held on Friday, December 17. Visit <u>Isu.edu/commencement</u> to learn more.

## A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear LSU families,

By now, you've probably heard me say that my focus as LSU President is to put "Scholarship First." With this as our unifying theme, we will pursue elite scholarship and research that directly affects Louisiana and our nation. In doing so, we will also prioritize student success, ensuring that our students are engaged in the



pursuit of a meaningful education that positions them for

# Upcoming Dates & Events

Click on underlined events for more info

**November 29:** Spring 2022 Fee Bills are now available on myLSU

November 30: LSU
Tree Lighting, 7:45 p.m.

#### November 30:

President's Late Night Breakfast at The 5 and The 459 Commons, 10 p.m.-midnight

**December 1-5:**Concentrated Study

success on campus and in their ensuing professional careers.

As your student works toward accomplishing their goals in the short- and long-term, please encourage them to take advantage of all the support LSU offers. Our award-winning **Center for Academic Success** provides tutoring, study groups, supplemental instruction, workshops, and academic coaching, both in person and online. It even offers parent resources to help you support your student's academic success. These services are not just for those who are struggling with a course ... the skills learned there can be applied to life beyond academics, as well. Another important resource is the **Olinde Career Center**, which helps students identify their career paths, create résumés, and find internships and jobs. This service can help your student to get the right experiences early on so they're even better positioned post-graduation.

Many fields of study also provide our students with the chance to participate in research. For example, LSU students are leading the Tiger Eye 1 research mission, which will make us the first university to have technology on the moon. This mission will make future space travel safer for astronauts and equipment by providing insight into the complex radiation environment in space. These are the types of research collaborations that give our students firsthand knowledge and experience they can take into their chosen career fields and enable them to compete on a global stage – experiences that are hard to come by at other universities but commonplace here at LSU.

I am so proud that you have entrusted your Tiger's education to us, and I take that responsibility very seriously. Along with the entire LSU community, I look forward to celebrating your student's successes and providing endless opportunities for growth, enrichment and educational attainment.

Sincerely, William F. Tate IV LSU President Period begins

**December 1:** Deferred Payment Plan Installment due

December 1: RA Info Session (Zoom)

**December 4:** Last Day of Classes for Fall semester

**December 5:** Our Lady of the Lake Tiger 10K

December 5: Deadline
to register for Winter
Break Holiday Shuttle

**December 6-11:** Final Examinations

**December 11:**Textbook rentals due

December 11: Res Halls close for winter break, 8 p.m.

**December 14:** Final grades due (degree candidate), 9 a.m.

**December 15:** Final grades due (nondegree candidate), 9 a.m.

**December 15:** Spring 2022 Fee Bill payment due

#### December 15:

Deadline to order
Family Weekend tshirts

## December 16:

Wintersession classes begin

December 17:

<u>Commencement Day</u>

**December 24 - January 3:** LSU Offices
Closed



Join us tonight, November 30 at 7:45 p.m. for the LSU Tree Lighting! Learn more at **Isu.edu/holiday**.



Encourage your Tiger to fuel up for finals with the President's Late Night Breakfast tonight, November 30 from 10 p.m.-midnight at The 459 Commons and The 5 dining halls. This event is free and open to all LSU students.

## **ASK YOUR TIGER**

- Are you prepared for your finals?
- What are your plans for winter break?
- Are you thinking about studying abroad?
- Have you thought about taking any summer classes?

January 4: LSU Offices
Reopen

January 8: Last Day of Classes for Wintersession

January 15: Residence halls reopen to all returning students, 10 a.m.

January 17: Martin Luther King Day Holiday

January 18: Spring semester classes begin

To view the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar, please <u>click here</u>.





## **CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS**

**Bursar Operations:** Students participating in the Deferred Payment Plan for Fall 2021 have their third installment due December 1. Please make payment via myLSU > Financial Services > Billing Statement by Monday, December 13th to avoid assessment of a late fee. Fee Bills for the Spring 2022 Semester are now available via myLSU > Financial Services > Fee Bill. You may contact Bursar Operations at **bursar@lsu.edu** with questions.

**LSU Center for Academic Success:** Is your Tiger ready for final exams? The **LSU Center for Academic Success** can help students prepare with nationally recognized resources and services. Options that help with understanding course content include tutoring, study groups, and Supplemental Instruction. Students can also meet one-on-one with an **academic coach** - college learning experts who work with students on developing the new strategies needed for college learning.

Your Tiger can also keep on the path to success with the CAS Final Exam Planner! Keeping track of deadlines and assignments can help them reduce stress as they geaux into finals week. Visit <a href="Isu.edu/cas">Isu.edu/cas</a> to download the Final Exam planner!

**Formal Recruitment Numbers are in!** Did you know that over 20% of LSU's student population is Greek? Here are the final tally numbers from IFC and PHC Formal Recruitment [...read more].

**Health insurance doesn't have to be confusing. Let us help!** The Student Health Center is now in-network with most major health insurance companies. Visit **www.lsu.edu/shc** for additional details.

**Join the tRAdition!** Resident Assistant (RA) applications opened on November 15. Info session dates, position descriptions, and more can be found on the **Residential Life** website.

**LSU Libraries Breaks Record of E-Textbook Use!** LSU Libraries' free e-textbooks program has reached an all-time high this semester. There are now 508 sections that use at least one "free" textbook and 221 total textbooks. This semester alone, we saved students and their families \$678,000. Read more about e-textbooks at LSU Libraries <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

**LSU Olinde Career Center:** November is National Career Development Month! It's a great time to find ways to help your student gain information and experiences that empower them in the development of their career... [read more].

**Residential Life - Winter Break Check Out:** Residence halls close over winter break. Your Tiger is expected to vacate their room within 24-hours of their last exam, or by 8 p.m. on December 11, 2021, whichever comes first. They do not need to completely move out of their room when they check out, but they should bring what they'll need with them as they won't have access to their space until January 2022.

If your Tiger has a late final exam or extenuating travel arrangements, they may request an extension to remain in their room until 12 p.m. on Sunday, December 12. They can email their community's **Residence Coordinator** to request an extension by noon on Friday, December 10, 2021... **[read more]**.

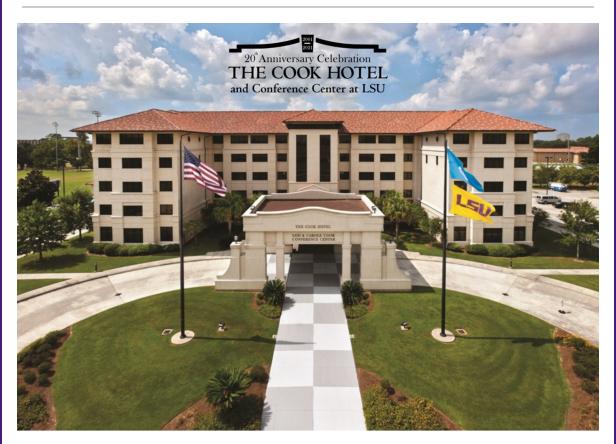
Shots for Socks! Students can receive a free pair of LSU socks, when they get their flu vaccine at the Student Health Center, while supplies last. With flu cases on the rise on campus, urge your Tiger to get vaccinated TODAY! Appointments are not necessary; however, to expedite the process, students are strongly encouraged to upload their insurance card prior to presenting for their vaccine. Students should bring an LSU ID, an insurance card and a form of payment (if applicable). Most insurance plans will cover the full

cost of the flu vaccine; if students do not have coverage or opt out of filing to their plan, the cost is \$15. For more information and hours, visit: <a href="https://www.lsu.edu/shc/wellness/flu-shots.php">https://www.lsu.edu/shc/wellness/flu-shots.php</a>.

**Student Support Services:** Is your first-generation student receiving the support they need? Encourage them to apply to **Student Support Services**! We are a federal grant that serves first-generation students, income-eligible, and students with disabilities. The priority deadline for the fall 2021 cohort has passed. Students can express interest by filling out **our interest form** and will be contacted when applications open. Questions? Email **sss@lsu.edu**.

LSU Tiger Athletic Foundation: The Our Lady of the Lake Tiger 10K will be held on Sunday, December 5. It is a partnership between LSU Athletics and FRESHJUNKIE Racing that brings the tradition of LSU Football and Tiger Stadium into a fun, festive road race event that includes a 5K and a Kids 1 Mile Race (ages 12 and under). The goal of the event is to give the entire LSU community: fans, students, alumni, faculty, and staff, no matter age or ability, an opportunity to complete their journey in Tiger Stadium. Participants get to make their mark on the hallowed ground where so many have left theirs. The 2021 race will once again be finishing on the 50-yard line inside Tiger Stadium. A festive post-race party with music, cold beer, and good food is being planned to celebrate everyone's accomplishment. Register <a href="here">here</a>.

**University Recreation (UREC):** Pac-Man, Centipede, Air Hockey, Pinball, Billiards, Foosball are all now available at UREC... The UREC Arcade is now open at UREC on the second floor. This area is designed to give students a healthy place to socialize and enjoy a passive recreational experience. Games are free to play, and all equipment needed is free to check out.



Reserve your room today to stay on campus at The Cook Hotel. Our hotel has more to offer than a convenient location. Stay and experience our elevated accommodations,

complimentary breakfast, full-service bar, ample parking, and more. Visit **TheCookHotel.com** to book today!

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LSU Parent & Family Programs hopes you have enjoyed reading the November email update and that you found the information helpful. Please contact us if we can be of assistance to you and your family.

Happy Holidays, and Geaux Tigers!

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