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Parent & Family Programs

October update KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH



Our Tiger Family Talks webinar series aims to connect you with campus leaders and fellow parents and families to provide resources to help you and your Tiger navigate the college experience. Webinars will be held via Zoom and Facebook Live on several Tuesdays throughout the fall semester.

Our next Tiger Family Talks will be held tonight, October 6th at 6 p.m. CDT. The topic is "Supporting Your Tiger's Academic Success," and we'll feature speakers from the Center for Academic Success, along with current students and families who have benefitted from those resources. View the Zoom login event info and the full fall webinar schedule at Isu.edu/family/communications/webinars.

Thanksgiving Break November 23-25 Winter Break December 12 January Return January 9-10 LSU | Student Government For more info and to sign up, go to Isu.edu/holidayshuttle

LSU Holiday Shuttle - Registration is Now Open!

LSU Student Government and the LSU Family Association are excited to collaborate once again to sponsor a holiday shuttle program. Shuttles will be provided for the Thanksgiving and Winter Breaks to transport students from campus to the New Orleans Airport (MSY). Shuttles will also be provided in January to pick up students from the New Orleans Airport (MSY) and transport them back to campus.

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

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear LSU Families,

I am incredibly proud of the resiliency, flexibility, and persistence of our students, who continue to do an



amazing job of adapting to learning and living during a fall semester unlike any other before. I know it has not been an easy or ideal transition for everyone, and that it has required many adjustments and sacrifices for all our students.

Along with continuing to ensure that our campus environment is as safe as it can possibly be, providing student support is our top priority. While adhering to best safety practices and physical distancing requirements prevents us from offering some of the in-person services and activities that we have traditionally provided, LSU has greatly expanded and enhanced the online resources available to all students.

Our award-winning Center for Academic Success has many great resources for students, including online learning assistance, study groups, academic coaching, tutoring, supplemental instruction, and remote proctoring. I encourage you to visit to visit Isu.edu/cas to learn more about these resources and other assistance available to students. By Subscribing to "Success Sundays," the center's weekly newsletter, you and your student can also receive additional study tips and updates on services, events, and resources. Students who need assistance specific to their coursework should also connect with their instructors as much as possible as this continues to be the best practice for class engagement during in-person and remote learning.

It's also important that students prepare to take advantage of advising appointments that begin later this month by reviewing

Upcoming Dates & Events

Click on underlined events for more info

October 6: CAS Online Math Workshop. 3:30 p.m.

October 6: Fall Fest with LSU Dining at The 5 & 459 Commons

October 6: <u>Tiger</u>
Family Talks Webinar:
<u>Supporting Your Tiger's</u>
<u>Academic Success</u>, 6
p.m.

October 6-10: Mental Health Week

October 7 & 14: Virtual
Explore Lab for Major &
Career Decisions

October 8: Last day to register for UREC
Kickball League

October 12-15: Flu Shots on the Geaux

October 13:

Registration opens for UREC Small Group Training

October 13 & 28:
Virtual Getting Into
Grad School
Workshops

their recommended academic path in the <u>General Catalog</u>. They can print out a checklist of courses related to their recommended path and begin planning for the courses they should take in the spring semester to ensure they stay on track for graduating in the least amount of time.

Staying healthy — both physically and mentally — is paramount for all students. Please continue to encourage your student to be diligent about <u>completing their daily symptom tracker</u> and to <u>get tested for COVID-19</u> at one of our testing centers on campus. The <u>LSU Student Health Center</u> is open and remains committed to meeting the physical and mental health needs of students via telehealth services, with in-person medical visits available by appointment following a virtual visit. <u>Mental Health Week</u> continues through Saturday, Oct. 10, during which students can access many great resources and participate in helpful events.

Thank you for your continued support of LSU as we continue to adjust how we learn and live at LSU to keep our students as safe and healthy as possible.

Warmly,

Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.
LSU Interim President and Professor of Law

ASK YOUR TIGER

- Are you utilizing any of the resources offered by the Center for Academic Success to help you prepare as midterms approach?
- Have you scheduled an appointment with an academic advisor to prepare for scheduling your spring courses?
- Are you signed up for the <u>LSUalert System</u> to receive emergency messaging?

CALENDAR

October 14: Last day to register for UREC Sand Volleyball Tournament

October 14: Stand-Up
Paddle Board Clinic

October 15: Agriculture
Career Fair (Virtual)

October 15: <u>Drive-In</u>

Movie Series: Black

Panther

October 16-17: RAD
Self Defense Course

October 19: <u>Drive-In</u>

<u>Movie Series: Us</u>

October 19-24:
Homecoming Week

October 20: Tiger
Family Talks Webinar:
Supporting Your Tiger
with Scheduling &
Advising

October 20: Graduate & Professional Schools Fair (Virtual)

October 21-22: Virtual Study Abroad Fair

October 22: <u>UREC</u> Golf Scramble

October 23:
Construction
Interviewing Day
(Virtual)

October 25: Course scheduling for spring semester, spring intersession and summer term begins, 5 p.m.

October 28: Virtual
Pumpkin Carving Party
with LSU Dining



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Our 2020-2021 academic wall calendars are available to purchase. The calendars are \$20 each, which includes the cost of shipping. Families may purchase up to two calendars. Please note that these calendars will only be available while supplies last.

Click Here to Purchase a 2020-2021 Family Wall Calendar





October 28: School Professional's Networking Day (Virtual)

October 28: Fitness
Happy Hour: Riding
through the Decades

October 30: <u>Drive-In</u>

Movie Series: IT

October 30 -November 1: <u>Billy</u> Cannon Halloween Run

November 6: Final date for dropping courses & resigning from the University, 4:30 p.m.

November 6: Final date to request rescheduling a final exam when three exams are in 24 hours

To see the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar, please <u>click here</u>.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Ambassador Connections: Is your Tiger looking for new connections on campus? Feeling like they can't seem to get into the swing of things? Having a hard time finding their "people"?Look no further than LSU Ambassadors! LSU Ambassadors value human connection and spirit, and we know that can be hard to come by these days.

Fill out our connection form to be connected with an Ambassador to chat about campus life, finding your LSU family, getting into the groove, and so much more [...**read more**]!

Barnes & Noble Bookstore Discounts in October: Barnes & Noble at LSU invites all campus visitors to our location. Special family discounts and sales will be available from October 23-25!

October Book Specials:

- 30% Off Select Trade Paperback titles
- 20% Select Hardcover titles
- · Dr. Seuss books Buy 2 Get 1 Free

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October General Merchandise/Clothing Specials:

- October 5-9 All Champion apparel and drinkware 25% Off
- October 5 January 31, 2021 25% Nike Sideline products
- October 19-23 Select fleece, outerwear & cold weather apparel 25% off

Be a Flu Fighter! Remind your student that it's time to get their annual flu shot, and the Student Health Center is coming to them during our Flu Shots on the Geaux week, October 12-15. Find out the locations, times, and more details **here**.

Bursar Operations: Students participating in the Deferred Payment Plan for Fall 2020 had the first installment due October 1. Please make your payment on *myLSU* > *Financial Services* > *Billing Statement* by Sunday, October 11 to avoid assessment of a late fee. The next installment will be due November 1. You may contact Bursar Operations at **bursar@lsu.edu** with questions.

Chameleon Cold Brew Launch Party: Join us in the café at Barnes & Noble at LSU for giveaways, free samples, and more on October 23 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.! A perfect break between classes or before studying!

The Event Room at Barnes & Noble at LSU is now open as quiet area for studying and distant learning.

Center for Academic Success Online: The LSU Center for Academic Success offers online resources through **CAS Online**. Students can access **100% free and online** tutoring, academic coaching, Supplemental Instruction and additional resources and tools.

Defense is the key to personal Safety! Learn to defend yourself by taking the RAD Self Defense Course for women. The class is October 16-17 at the UREC and has been adjusted to meet all health requirements. LSU students, staff, and faculty who participate in their Tiger Wellness Check system are eligible to register. Please click here to find out more and to register for the class. Numbers are limited.

Does Your Tiger Want To Get Involved But Not Sure Where To Start? TigerLink is a great resource for your Tiger to find out everything that is happening on campus. With over 400 student organizations at LSU, there are tons of choices! TigerLink makes it easy for students by serving as a one-stop-shop for finding all student organizations and their events. Have your student log onto lsu.edu/tigerlink or reach out to the Campus Life involvement staff at involvement@lsu.edu if they need personalized help.

Fall Fest at the Dining Halls: Join us for dinner at The 5 and 459 Commons dining halls to celebrate Fall with seasonal favorites like Brined & Roasted Turkey with Cranberry and Brie Topping, Squash Au Gratin, Smoked Mushrooms, Red Wine Glazed Fresh Figs and Stuffed Acorn Squash.

Family Weekend Postponed: We've made the difficult decision to postpone Family Weekend, which was previously scheduled for October 23-25, 2020. Our hope is that by temporarily moving Family Weekend to the spring semester, we can provide an in-person experience for all families. The rescheduled date for Family Weekend is March 5-7, 2021 [...read more].

Homecoming Week – October 19-24: While this is an unusual semester, the Homecoming Student Committee will offer opportunities for organizations and students to celebrate their

experience during the week of the October 24th football game against the University of South Carolina. A banner contest, talent show and court are all planned. Check out Isu.edu/homecoming for event details.

Instagram Live Teaching with Chef Jon Jackson and Chef Laurence: Football is back and the temperature is dropping! You know what that means... it's gumbo time! Chef Jon and Chef Laurence will be teaching us how to make gumbo as we get ready to cheer on the Tigers when they take on Florida! Follow us on Instagram @Isu.dining to watch our chefs and keep up with all that is LSU Dining!

Involvement Fair Days Are Back This Week! Interest-specific events are held at 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. each day from October 6–9. Visit **Isu.edu/tigerlink** to join the event. Events will be listed on the home page of TigerLink when your Tiger logs in at 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. each day.

Join the tRAdition! Resident Assistant (RA) applications for the spring semester open on October 31. View the position description [...**read more**].

Leadership LSU! Leadership LSU will begin accepting applications for the Spring 2021 cohort on October 26. A program that is over 30 years strong, Leadership LSU provides students in their final semesters the opportunity to sharpen their leadership skills and apply their leadership to high levels. Leadership LSU is open to all Juniors, Seniors, Graduate Students, Law Center Students, Veterinary Medicine Students, and National and International Exchange Students. Have your Tiger visit Lsu.edu/leadershiplsu for more information and to apply.

Leadership on the Geaux! Explore this leadership series presented in a set of 45 minute workshops. Participants will discuss their journey through leadership while exploring a range of topics [...read more].

LSU Foundation: Mark your calendars! Follow the LSU Foundation's **Facebook** and **Twitter** accounts to learn how gifts to LSU impact Tigers every day during Philanthropy at Work Week on October 12-16. Join us in showing our gratitude to donors on Thankful Tiger Day, October 14.

LSU Libraries: Did you know that LSU Libraries has a YouTube channel? Tell your Tiger to click **here** to view our "Workshops" and "How-to" playlists to learn research strategies.

LSU Olinde Career Center: Check it out and check it off! Events and resources for major and career success [...read more].

Now Premiering – the LSU Drive In Movie Series: We are excited to offer three movies during the month of October – Black Panther, Us and IT. Free and open to LSU students, faculty, and staff only. Go to https://www.lsu.edu/campuslife/drivein.php for all of the details!

Order LSU Ring, Announcements and Official Custom LSU Regalia: Commemorate your Tiger's academic achievement by ordering LSU cap and gowns at lsu.shopoakhalli.com. Your Tiger worked hard to earn that degree - show it off in a premium, handcrafted frame from Church Hill Classics by ordering here. You can also order the LSU Ring and announcements here. Email lsuring@lsu.edu with any questions.

Res Life has a new email address: Going forward, please direct all email questions, comments, or concerns to **housing@lsu.edu**.

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. Eligible students will be contacted for an interview in October for the Spring 2021 cohort. Questions? Email **sss@lsu.edu**.

Study Abroad: Stay in the loop while your Tiger's on location. Our parent Facebook groups are a great way to stay connected while your student is abroad. **Join here!**

TigerCASH Lagniappe deal: This month's TigerCASH Lagniappe deal comes to you from Sunset Diner! Get a FREE fountain drink with the purchase of any entrée from Sunset Diner located in Take 5 and 459 Outtakes. Hours of Operation: Sunday-Thursday 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

University College - Center for Freshman Year: Check out this month's parent newsletter.

University Recreation: We are currently open for all full-time students. Intramural Sports, Scuba Lessons, GroupX Fitness Classes, Climbing Clinics, and Esports are just a few ways to get involved with UREC this semester. Visit **UREC's website** to learn all the ways your Tiger can get involved.

UREC's Scuba Series registration closes this week! "Scuba Discovery Dives" (\$40) gives a basic introduction to scuba diving. "Scuba Lessons" (\$300) prepares participants to get their scuba diving certificate. To learn more and to register, visit **UREC's Scuba page**.

Virtual Halloween Costume Contest: Show off your 2020 Halloween costumes by entering our Virtual Halloween Costume Contest! Submit photos by October 28 at 4:30 p.m. to **mking41@lsu.edu** or on Instagram: **@LSUStudentUnion**. All entries must include appropriate photo, costume name, name, and email to be considered. Prizes will be awarded to the Best Costume and People's Choice. Winners will be announced October 30.

Virtual Pumpkin Carving Party! Post and tag <u>@lsu.dining</u> on your Instagram story to be part of the party! LSU students, parents, employees and the entire LSU Community are invited to join the party anytime on October 28! #LSUtogetherwhileseparate

Volunteer LSU: Volunteer LSU's mission is to promote and coordinate volunteer opportunities, build partnerships within the community, and instill within its members a lifelong commitment to service. Visit <u>lsu.edu/vlsu</u> to find out more about our organization and events.



Visiting your Tiger during the Fall semester? Stay at the only on-campus hotel, The Cook Hotel & Conference Center at LSU. We offer elevated accommodations, a complimentary breakfast, free WiFi, and ample, free parking. We are committed to the highest level of cleanliness and safety. You can rest assured when you stay at The Cook. Click here to watch our **Committed to Clean** video and visit **TheCookHotel.com** for more info or to book!

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

Geaux Tigers!

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