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Parent & Family Programs

October update KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH



LSU Holiday Shuttle - Registration is Now Open!

LSU Student Government, Parking & Transportation Services, and the LSU Family Association are excited to collaborate once again to sponsor a holiday shuttle program. Shuttles will be provided for both the Thanksgiving and Winter Breaks to transport students to and from the New Orleans airport.

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

L5U Family Weekend

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 3,600 family members from 44 states.

We're excited to announce that the Family Weekend Silent Auction raised \$4,730 for the <u>Student Affairs Emergency Support Fund</u>, which will benefit students in need. We also want to thank everyone who donated to the <u>LSU Food Pantry</u> as part of our Family Weekend service project.

Be sure to check out our <u>LSU Family Facebook Page</u> to see all of the pictures from the weekend, including pics from the photo booth! You can also view the full gallery of images via Google Photos <u>here</u>.

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







A Note from the President

Dear LSU Families.

Leadership takes many forms, and one of the strongest lessons our students learn is that leading



means being a part of something bigger than yourself. LSU helps support this drive in our Tigers through a number of ways, including protecting one of Louisiana's most valuable natural resources – our coastal ecosystems. More than 2 million Louisiana residents live within 50 miles of the coast, and with land-loss occurring at the staggering rate of a football field per hour, many communities are in danger of losing their property, their possessions, and their heritage.

But your Tigers work side-by-side with faculty who are quite literally saving the coast. They have the opportunity to engage with the world's largest working model of the Mississippi River, right here at LSU. Through the Coastal Roots program, nearly 130,000 seedlings have been planted on more than 300 trips, helping to strengthen the coastline one location at a time. Working with groups such as the Coastal Sustainability Studio, your Tigers are learning multi-disciplinary approaches to design resilient communities, while projects like Coastal Voices allow them to document the rich culture of these coastal communities.

Being a Tiger means different things to different people, but at our core, it means leading the charge for change through research and education. That's what separates the education your student receives from other universities – hands-on

Upcoming Dates & Events

Click on underlined events for more information

Now - October 18: <u>History of Places Art</u> <u>Gallery Exhibit</u>

October 11: Seaux Stressed? Treat Yo' Self in the Union

October 11: <u>eSports</u>
<u>Tournament</u>

October 14: Take Back the Night

October 14-21:
Homecoming Week

October 15: Strategy
Session Workshop Spotlight on Scheduling

October 15:

<u>Splatterbeat</u> from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

October 16: Midsemester grades due

October 16: Miller Hall 50th Birthday Bash

October 19: Food
Truck Festival - Lunch
at The 5

opportunities to learn from experts while actually improving the world around you.

Thank you for trusting us with your Tiger.

Sincerely,

F. King Alexander LSU President

Mid-semester exams (also known as midterms) are here, and your Tiger may need extra support. Get some advice for you and tips to share with your student here. Good luck to all of our Tigers!



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We currently have 2018 - 2019 academic wall calendars 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 2018-19 Family Wall Calendar

October 21: Course scheduling for spring semester, Spring Intersession, and summer term begins

October 24: DIVAS Live! at 7:00 p.m.

October 25: Taste of Louisiana Food Festival on the Parade Ground

October 29: Teaching Kitchen at The 5 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

October 29-30: The Presidential

Symposium: Behind the

<u>Ballot</u>

October 31:

FrakenFaire Open House

October 31: Fall
Harvest and Carved
Pumpkin Competition in
the Union

October 31: LSU
Union Theater Haunted
House

November 2: Final date for dropping courses

November 4: LSU Ring Ceremony

To see the 2018-2019 Academic Calendar, please <u>click here</u>.

Campus Highlights

Bursar Operations: Students participating in the Deferred Payment Plan for Fall 2018 will have the next installment due November 1. Please make payments on myLSU, Financial Services, Billing Statement before 4:30 p.m., Monday, November 12 to avoid assessment of a late fee. You may contact Bursar Operations at bursar@lsu.edu with questions.

Emotional Wisdom Seminars: Come learn and practice skills for effective management of anxious and depressed moods. The series meets every Wednesday in Mental Health Service at 3 p.m. [...read more].

Fall Harvest: On Wednesday, October 31 from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m., grab your Tiger Trick or Treating map from the Information Desk and have fun visiting various departments in and around the LSU Student Union! There will be a costume contest at 1:00 p.m. with prizes for best individual and group.

Farmer's Market: The LSU Dining Farmer's Market is open every Wednesday in October from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in front of the LSU Student Union on Tower Dr.

Financial Consultations Available to All Students! Students can meet with staff at the LSU Cale P. & Katherine Smith Student Financial Management Center to discuss how to alleviate financial stress and lay a fiscal foundation for their future by covering topics such as budgeting, savings, and salary negotiation. Check out our online resources or set up an appointment at Isu.edu/sfmc.

First Year Experience: FYE's Strategy Session Workshops will help your students overcome common transitional challenges in the first year [...read more].

Free Tutoring Now Available in All Communities: In-hall academic support is now available in residential colleges and traditional halls [...read more].

Grocery shopping and grab & geaux food just got easier! Matherne's Market and Wendy's at Nicholson Gateway are open for business. Students and all community members visiting the retail center at Nicholson Gateway can park in the designated retail lots. **Click here** for more information.

Love, LSU Dining: Be on the lookout for the LSU Dining team for free #randomactsofkindness around campus. Follow them on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> for tips and hints when and where they will be.

LSU Discover: Are you an Undergraduate Researcher? Is there an awesome faculty mentor you want to recognize? Nominate your mentor and they could win \$2,000. Nominations are due November 1st, 2018. For more info, go to **lsu.edu/discover**.

LSU Union Theater Haunted House: Come check out the Haunted House in the Union Theater on Wednesday, October 31 beginning at 7:00 p.m. followed by a scary movie beginning at 9:00 p.m.! Let the ghoul times roll!

Olinde Career Center: Now that your student has settled into the semester, <u>click here</u> for some career "next steps" for freshmen and others.

Residential Life: Students should never feel rushed into leasing an apartment. Help your

Tiger spot predatory leasing practices and wait until spring time to choose where to live next year. Official LSU apartments in Nicholson Gateway, East Campus Apartments, and West Campus Apartments start leasing February 1, 2019 [...read more].

Seaux Stressed? Treat Yo' Self: Join LSU Auxiliary Services and LSU First Year Experience on Thursday, October 11, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the LSU Student Union for a

day focused on stress management and self-care! Activities will include yoga & meditation, coloring, a relaxation room, puzzle & slime-making, playdough fun and more!

Staying Safe: Worried about your student leaving Middleton Library after a long night of studying? LSU Police will gladly provide an officer as an escort to anywhere on campus after Campus Transit closes at midnight. Contact them at (225) 578-3231 or **read more here**.

There's power in numbers! Launch LSU, LSU's crowdfunding platform, gives Tigers around the globe the opportunity to find, fund, follow, and share your student's projects. Learn more at <u>launch.lsu.edu</u>.

Trusted Traveling: Did you know Middleton Library is open 24 hours a day, 5 days a week? Campus Transit provides free transportation across LSU from 5:30 p.m. to midnight every day to make students feel safer while on campus at night. **Learn more here**.

University College: View the October newsletter with information about midterms and spring advising <u>here</u>.

University Recreation: Did You Know that all full-time students have a membership to UREC facilities and free GroupX classes? They are also eligible to register for Intramural Sports, Adventure Trips, and so much more. Being engaged with LSU UREC is a great way to succeed in the classroom and meet new people, so encourage your Tiger to visit UREC this week.

LSU UREC Intramural Softball, Kickball, and Dodgeball registration is now open. For more info about all Intramural Sports, please <u>click here</u>.

LSU UREC's first ever Bench Press Competition is this October! Pre-lims are on October 11 and Finals will be held October 18. This is a free program for all LSU students.



Special Rates for Special Fall Events! Call or book online for Fall Ring Day using code 2018FALLRING and for December Commencement using code 1812132018. Thecookhotel.com or 225-383-2665.





Family Experience 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.

Sincerely,

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