

2026

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

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2026 NSO SCHEDULE

Student-Only Sessions
 Parent & Family Sessions

TIME	SESSION
7:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.	ID Card Photos LBJ Student Center ID Services (2nd Floor) NSO Check-In Student Recreation Center
9:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.	Welcome To Texas State University LBJ Student Center Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Learn what to expect and how to make the most of your New Student Orientation experience.
9:30 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.	Student-to-Student Groups Various Locations Learn more about Texas State and engage with your peers to begin fostering connection in your new community. Student Success LBJ Teaching Theater (4th Floor) Hear how campus partners facilitate student success and how you can best support your student throughout their time at TXST.
10:30 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.	Bobcat Essentials LBJ Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Learn vital information students need about housing, dining services, ID services, and campus technology resources during their transition to Texas State.
11:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	Financial Matters LBJ Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Listen and learn how to navigate financial matters while attending Texas State such as billing and payments for tuition and meal plans, as well as how financial aid offerings can assist with college expenses.
11:45 A.M. – 12:45 P.M.	Student Lunch Jones Dining Center Lunch will be provided for students to enjoy together in their small groups at this on-campus dining hall. Parent and Family Lunch LBJ Marketplace (2nd Floor) Lunch will be provided for all parent and family members attending orientation.
12:00 P.M. - 12:50 P.M.	Boko's Resource Fair LBJ Ballroom (3rd Floor) Meet representatives from university departments, programs, and services who will provide information and answer questions.
1:00 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.	Health and Well-Being LBJ Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Learn how students can thrive in their holistic wellness journey by utilizing helpful campus resources as they navigate life during college. Parent and Family Support LBJ Teaching Theater (4th Floor) Find out how the university partners with you to help your student navigate college and experience campus life.
1:30 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	Student Involvement LBJ Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Find out about the wide variety of student involvement and engagement opportunities on campus, and take a step towards involvement and success. Academic Essentials LBJ Teaching Theater (4th Floor) Learn how to effectively support your student's transition to college life, academic success, and exploration of future pathways.
2:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Academic Essentials LBJ Grand Ballroom (3rd Floor) Gain insight into the academic expectations of college life at Texas State, the advising support available, and the tools students will use to plan, register, and succeed. Health & Well-Being LBJ Teaching Theater (4th Floor) Identify how you can support your student's holistic wellness journey as they navigate life during college.
2:45 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	TXST Course Registration Help Lab Freshman: Alkek Library, 4th Floor Transfer: McCoy Computer Lab, 3rd Floor The Course Registration Lab is for students who have met with their academic adviser before orientation but have not yet registered for classes or are enrolled in fewer than 12 credit hours. During the Lab, the New Bobcat Enrollment team will provide support to help students add courses and complete a full spring schedule. Students still in need of academic advising will receive separate instructions during NSO Check-In. Educational Sessions Various Locations Meet representatives from university departments, programs, and services who will provide information and answer questions. <small>See following pages for list of Educational Session and details.</small>

2026 NSO SCHEDULE CONT.

TIME	SESSION
3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.	ID Card Pick Up LBJ Ballroom (3rd Floor) Students will officially record their NSO participation. Students who previously uploaded an ID card photo in advance of New Student Orientation or took their photo this morning may pick up their BobcatCard at this time.
5:00 PM. - 8:00 P.M.	NSO After Dark George's (LBJSC 1st Floor) Kick off your evening at NSO After Dark! Join us for a fun, relaxed night featuring small bites, trivia games, and karaoke. It's the perfect chance to meet other new students, show off your TXST trivia knowledge or karaoke skills, and unwind while getting connected to campus.

2026 NSO | EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS

ACTIVITY	TIME
Student Learning Assistance Center LBJSC 316 SLAC supports Bobcats through academic support programs including walk-in tutoring, Supplemental Instruction, and Veteran Academic Success Center.	2:45 - 3:15
Fraternity and Sorority Life LBJSC 322 Learn about the TXST fraternity and sorority community of 42 organizations and 2,200+ students and their recruitment and membership intake processes.	2:45 - 3:15
Education Abroad LBJSC 314 Interested in Education Abroad? Learn more about different education abroad programs, some financial options, and next steps for applying for these programs.	2:45 - 3:15
Unlocking Opportunities: Jobs, Internships, & Career Resources LBJSC 315 If you are interested in finding a job, both on- and off-campus, learning more about the value of an internship, or connecting with additional career resources, please attend!	2:45 - 3:15
Meet The Writing Center LBJSC 325 Meet the Writing Center introduces students to free, personalized support for brainstorming, drafting, and polishing academic writing while building confidence as college writers.	2:45 - 3:15
Your Bobcat Toolkit: Success Coaching at Texas State LBJSC 316 Learn about the tools for success at Texas State University! Discover the purpose of Success Coaching and strategies to thrive as a student in college.	3:25 - 3:55



WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER ORIENTATION

BOBCAT WELCOME

All remaining activities listed will be for students only.

TIME	SESSION
Strahan Arena at the University Events Center Saturday, January 17 1:00 P.M.	TXST Women's Basketball Game (TXST vs. Troy Trojans) Join your classmates to cheer on Texas State Women's Basketball team as they take on the Troy Trojans! Show your Bobcat pride and stick around for a chance to win some prizes. Bring your NSO name tag for a meal voucher!
Strahan Arena at the University Events Center Saturday, January 17 3:30 P.M.	TXST Men's Basketball Game (TXST vs. Southern Miss) Join your classmates to cheer on the Texas State Men's Basketball Team in their matchup against Southern Miss! Bring the energy, show your Bobcat pride, and take part in opportunities to win prizes throughout the night. Bring your NSO name tag for a meal voucher!
LBJ Ballroom 3rd Floor Saturday, January 17 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.	Grocery Bingo Stock up on fun at Grocery Bingo! Play for a chance to win grocery-themed prizes and dorm essentials while connecting with other new students. There will be multiple rounds so come and go as you please.
301 A Central Park Loop Sunday, January 18 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.	Local Market: La Cima Farmers Market Explore the San Marcos community by checking out the La Cima Farmer's Market! Discover local vendors, fresh finds, and a great way to explore what the area has to offer.

CAMPUS SERVICES

Please see the hours of operation for these campus services of note from January 16 - 18.

TIME	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
LBJ Student Center	7:00 A.M. - 11:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	9:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.	CLOSED
Student Recreation Center	6:00 A.M. - 8:00 P.M.	12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.	12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.	12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Texas State Dining Commons Dining Hall Harris Dining Hall	CLOSED	11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.	10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.	10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.



Join events after orientation!





FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND CAMPUS

- Alkek Library
- Jones Dining Center
- LBJ Student Center
- McCoy Hall
- Student Rec Center

- Residence Halls
- Student Health Center

Dining at NSO

PARKING

- P1 Blanco Garage
- P2 Moore St. Parking Lot
- P3 Speck St. Garage
- P4 LBJ Parking Garage (Pay-to-Park)

CAMPUS MAP

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