It’s Fall, Y’All!

After a long summer break it’s great to finally see our Cardinals return to campus!

In accordance with CDC guidelines, Lamar University encourages students to get vaccinated and encourages students without the vaccine to continue to wear their mask. And of course, all students should wash their hands thoroughly and frequently!

The first week of school was Week of Welcome! Students participated in a wide variety of events including New Student Convocation, Academic Success Conference, Casino Night, and Late Night Events to help welcome them back to campus! We had a great turn out at events and hope your student enjoyed WOW!

First-year students were placed on one of five teams at their Orientation Session based on a Pokémon Type: Electric, Bug, Water, Steel, or Ghost.

The First-year students competed throughout Week of Welcome in "First Year Games." They received points for their team by attending specific events, and more points by winning games! We had a great turnout at these events, and the Water Team won overall!

The students ended Week of Welcome with Lamar University’s first football game of the season, where we won 47-3 against North American University.
Mark Their Calendar

Listed below are the dates that your student should have saved for Fall of 2021:

- **September 24th**
  Last Day to Drop Course without Academic Penalty

- **October 18-19th**
  Fall Break

- **November 1st**
  Early Registration for Special Populations for Spring 2022 Courses

- **November 8th**
  Open Registration for Spring Courses!

- **November 12th**
  Last Day to Drop or Withdraw With Academic Penalty

- **November 13th**
  Homecoming & Cardinal Family Day!

- **November 25-26th**
  Thanksgiving Break

- **December 3rd**
  Last Class Day

- **December 7-14th**
  Final Exams

- **December 22-January 5th**
  Winter Break

Cardinal Family Day

Cardinal Family Day will be held on **November 13th**! Join us for fun activities for the entire family and spend quality time with your student!

Tickets for Cardinal Family Day will go on sale October 1st at lamar.edu/parents

To stay up to date with Cardinal Family Day announcements and ticket sales, follow us on social media!

- [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/LUParents)
- [Twitter](https://twitter.com/LU_Families)

Cardinal Families

Parent and Family Programs is a program within the Office of New Student and Leadership Programs that focuses on creating a pleasant environment that stimulates engagement for students as well as our cardinal parents and family members.

The goal of Parent and Family Programs is to provide resources and tips to help you adjust to your student's transition to college, and to provide an outlet for you to connect with your student.

Stay engaged in campus life and informed about events on campus through our social media and this newsletter!
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Students are required to meet with their Academic Advisor before they can register for Spring 2022 classes. Freshman and Sophomore students will meet with their advisor from the Undergraduate Advising Center (UAC); Juniors and Seniors will meet with their advisor from their college. Students will receive an email from their appropriate advisor to schedule an appointment. If they have not heard from their advisor by the end of October, encourage them to contact their advisor.

Undergraduate Advising Center:
Phone: (409)880-8822
Email: advising@lamar.edu

Students can look at their degree progress and an outline of what is to come on their Degree Audit in the Self-Service Banner.

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STARS also hosts REDtalks throughout the school year based on the academic topics that students request.

STARS has other locations on campus! These include the Math Lab in the Lucas Building, the ASL Lab in the Communication Building, and the Writing Center in the Library!

To get connected with STARS, visit lamar.edu/stars
LU Athletics Home Games

**Men's Football**
- September 25th vs Abilene Christian
- October 23rd vs Central Arkansas
- November 13th vs Jacksonville State
- November 20th vs Stephen F. Austin

**Women's Volleyball**
- October 2nd vs UT Rio Grande Valley
- October 14th vs Sam Houston
- October 16th vs Stephen F. Austin
- October 22nd vs Chicago State

**Men's Tennis**
- October 1st Ron Wesbrooks Invitational

**Women's Soccer**
- October 3rd vs Sam Houston
- October 9th vs UTRGV
- October 28th vs Chicago State
- October 30th vs Abilene Christian

**Men's Basketball**
- November 3rd vs St. Thomas
- November 9th vs Wiley College
- November 19th vs Stetson
- December 5th vs Our Lady of the Lake

**Women's Basketball**
- November 6th vs Jarvis Christian
- November 12th vs Howard Payne
- November 28th vs Longwood
- December 4th vs Loyola New Orleans
- December 7th vs McNeese
- December 10th vs Texas State
- December 15th vs Prairie View A&M

**Women's Softball**
- October 1st vs Galveston College
- October 2nd vs Lamar State College
- October 9th vs Houston

Get Involved!
We encourage our Cardinal Families to get involved on campus by cheering on our Cardinals at athletic events, and by enjoying theatre and dance productions!

Theatre & Dance

"The Book Club Play"
- September 30th- October 3rd in the University Theatre

"So You Can Look Ahead"
- November 4-7th at the Studio Theatre

Fall Dance Concert
- November 19-20th

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit lamar.edu/theatre

Cardinals Activities Board
CAB plans events for LU students including Big Red Mania, Movie Nights, Stress Relief, Cardinal Craze, and more. CAB also bring talented comedians, bands, and performers to campus. Students can look at CAB events on LUHub!

For tickets, visit lamarcardinals.com!