Taylor University Welcome Weekend 2025

Schedule for New Students, Transfers, and Parents

Friday, August 22 President's Greeting of Vehicles & Welcome Tunnel Each vehicle will receive a special welcome from President Lindsay & University Ambassador Mrs. Rebecca Lindsay when you arrive to campus. Please follow the signs from our Welcome Weekend team.	8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Main Entrance of LaRita Boren Campus Center
Residence Halls Open for Freshmen & Transfer Students Students will check-in at their residence hall at the beginning of move-in. Students living in on-campus apartments (Campbell, Casa Apartments, Residential Villages, and Wolgemuth), please check in at Wolgemuth.	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Residence Halls
Parent's Council Hospitality Corner An open space for parents and families to grab complimentary coffee, meet members of Parent's Council, fellowship with other families, and relax.	9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	Memorial Prayer Chapel
Welcome Social & Information Fair Meet representatives from many campus offices, area banks, and health services. Come enjoy a Welcome Social with cold treats sponsored by Taylor Admissions.	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	LaRita Boren Campus Center & Bond Plaza
Mitchell Theatre Open House Stop by to hear from current students in the theatre program and participate in a tour of the performance spaces, scene shop, and backstage areas.	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Rupp Communication Arts Lobby
Taylor Alumni Legacy Reception & Photo For alumni parents and their incoming student	3:00 p.m.	Euler Garden
Honors Lodge Open House For incoming honors students and their families	3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Ockenga Scholars Lodges
Commuter Student Open House Come and go event for commuter students to receive new student information and meet other commuter students.	4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Wilberforce, LaRita Boren Campus Center
Welcome Dinner for Student & Family Each student will receive two complimentary meal tickets for family members at the Welcome Dinner. Please attend the timeslot that corresponds to your student's last name.	4:00—Any Last Names 4:40—Last Name S-Z 5:00—Last Name N-R 5:25—Last Names J-M 5:50—Last Names D-I 6:15—Last Names A-C	Hodson Dining Commons
Opening Welcome Celebration Service Special chapel service for new students and their families.	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Odle Gymnasium
Welcome to Your Residence Hall Mandatory residence hall meetings for new students and transfers	8:15 p.m.	Residence Halls
President's Cabinet Reception for Families Come meet President Lindsay and President's Cabinet at a dessert reception.	8:15 p.m.	Zurcher Commons, LaRita Boren Campus Center

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Saturday, August 23				
Dedication Service for Student & Family A Taylor Tradition: Special chapel service for new students and their families.	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Odle Gymnasium		
Farewell Brunch for Student & Family Each student will receive two complimentary meal tickets for family members.	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Hodson Dining Commons		
Following the Farewell Brunch, we respectfully request that families say goodbye and depart from campus to begin their journey home. New Student Orientation sessions begin at 1:00 p.m.				
Life Together: New Student Orientation Session *Required for all new students and transfers	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Rediger Chapel Auditorium, LaRita Boren Campus Center		
New Student Gathering For new students and transfers students— dress for outdoor activities.	2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Begin at Rediger Chapel		
Taylor Women's Soccer Game	4:00 p.m.	Turner Stadium		
Dinner with Life Together Orientation Group	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Hodson Dining Commons		
Welcome TU the Neighborhood Party All campus event celebrating the start of the year. Sponsored by Taylor Student Organization.	8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Bond Plaza, LaRita Boren Campus Center		
Sunday, August 24				
All Campus Worship Service	10:00 a.m.	Rediger Chapel, LaRita Boren Campus Center		
Lunch with Life Together Orientation Group	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Hodson Dining Commons		
Life Together: New Student Orientation Session *Required for all new students and transfers	1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Rediger Chapel Auditorium, LaRita Boren Campus Center		
Break	3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.			
Dinner for Transfer Students President Lindsay, Mrs. Lindsay, and their family welcome transfer students to Taylor.	5:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Habecker Hall, Hodson Dining Commons		
Dinner with Residence Hall Wing/Floor	5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.	Hodson Dining Commons		
All Campus Communion Service A special chapel service for all of campus	7:00 p.m.	Odle Gymnasium		

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Monday, August 25 Community Plunge	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Begin at Bond Plaza,
A Taylor Tradition: Serving the local community through various service projects.	9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.	LaRita Boren Campus Center
Math and Reading Proficiency Testing More information to come.	8:30 a.m.	Euler 109
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Music Theory Placement Testing	9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Smith-Hermanson Music Center 148
Music Voice Major/Minor Studio Placement Auditions	11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Smith-Hermanson Music Center 166
Lunch with Life Together Orientation Group	11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	
Student Advising: Music Minor	12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Smith-Hermanson Music Center 151
Student Advising: Secondary Education & All Grades Education Majors Students in these majors will attend the specific content area of their major (e.g. Art, Science, English, History, Math, Music) from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Euler 013/014
Student Advising: Departmental Meetings by Major *Required for all new students	1:00 p.m. – 2:00p.m.	Locations for Departmental Meetings
Honors Student Advising	2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Cornwall Auditorium, LaRita Boren Campus Center
Language Placement Testing See www.taylor.edu/welcomeweekend for more information. To register for placement, please refer to the TU Student Announcement emails sent to your TU email the week prior to testing	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Reade 139
Campus Tours with IAS110 Foundations Teaching Assistants <i>A personal walk through to locate your classrooms</i>	4:30 p.m.	Bond Plaza, LaRita Boren Campus Center
Classes Begin	5:00 p.m.	
Dinner for Transfer Students President Lindsay, Mrs. Lindsay, and their family welcome transfer students to Taylor.	6:00 p.m.	Braden Room, Hodson Dining Commons

Welcome Weekend Details

Complimentary Meal Tickets Information

Every new student will receive a total of four complimentary meal tickets. These can be used at the following mealtimes at the Hodson Dining Commons:

- Friday, August 22, Lunch from 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
- Friday, August 22, Dinner from 4:00 p.m. 6:30 pm.
- Saturday, August 23, Brunch, from 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
- Saturday, August 23, Brunch, from 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m.

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