

June 20, 2019

Dear Freshman,

Greetings, and **Welcome to Austin College!** We are very excited to have you join us, and we look forward to welcoming you in person for the coming semester.

This letter contains information pertinent to your transition to Austin College, opening of school weekend/orientation, and other topics. Please read this letter carefully and keep it for reference.

There will be many activities associated with orientation, both for freshmen and parents. Parents will receive a separate mailing later in the summer with schedules for freshmen and parents.

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW – ACTION REQUIRED BY SOME ()**

**** HEALTH SERVICES INFORMATION – **RETURN OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED****

Please go to www.austincollege.edu, click on **Campus Life** (located in the black banner), then on **Health Services/Health Forms** in the drop-down boxes for the documents cited below.

1. **Health Insurance** – All students are required to have health insurance. If you have active medical insurance, follow the instructions for waiving the policy offered by Academic HealthPlans. Students who do not waive the Academic HealthPlans policy will automatically be enrolled and charged \$2346 for the Academic HealthPlans' policy. **The deadline to waive or enroll is July 1.** Contact Health Services at 903.813.2247 with questions.
2. **Health Information – proof of immunizations, insurance information, health forms, and Emergency Contact/Authorization form** will all need to be returned to Health Services by July 1, 2019. Returning the information by the deadline will make your check-in process in August much more efficient. If you have questions about any health services related issues, please contact 903.813.2247 or email health@austincollege.edu.
3. **In accordance with State law, prior to attending classes, all students must verify having a Meningitis (MCV4) vaccination on or before August 13, 2019.**

****HOUSING & MEAL PLAN REGISTRATION AND THE MYERS-BRIGGS TYPE ASSESSMENT.**

For *residential students*: If you have not already done these online, please make sure to do so in a timely manner. If you have questions regarding this information, please contact the Student Life Office at 903.813.2306 or studentlife@austincollege.edu.

For *commuter students*: If you would like to get information concerning meal plan options, or to purchase a block meal plan, please call the ARAMARK office at 903.813.2366, or email Ms. Sylvia Nicholson at SNicholson@austincollege.edu.

IMPORTANT REQUIRED COURSES TO BE COMPLETED ONLINE BY AUGUST 1

By July 1st, you should have received an email at your Austin College email address from Student Success providing a link and log-in information regarding three online courses *required of all incoming freshmen and transfers*:

"Not Anymore"

"Not Anymore: Alcohol and Other Drugs"

"Not Anymore: Prescription Medication Addiction/Opioids, Stimulants, & Depressants".

The email subject line will say "Student Success: *Not Anymore*. REQUIRED PROGRAMMING."

These programs are innovative, engaging, and informative courses designed to promote a healthier and safer campus environment for everyone. These courses, created with students for students, are video-based programs that provide critical information about Consent, Bystander Intervention, Sexual Assault, Dating and Domestic Violence, Stalking, and Alcohols Effects on GPA and the Brain, and much more. Featuring personal insights from fellow students and numerous recovering addicts, viewers will also learn how the misuse of stimulants and depressants can lead to disastrous outcomes

for health, relationships, schoolwork and more. *Not Anymore* programming will help you better understand how vitally important these issues are and what you can do to help make your campus safer. **Completion required by August 1.**

EMAIL

If you haven't already done so, please set up your email account at <https://mail.austincollege.edu>. Your Austin College email account is the primary communication channel for important notifications throughout the summer. Your faculty will use your Austin College email account to communicate with you regarding classes as well.

When do I move in?

You will move into your residence hall on Friday, August 23rd between 9AM and 9PM. When you arrive on campus, go directly to your residence hall to receive your key and instructions. There is another brief opportunity to move in on Saturday the 24th, from 8AM – 930AM. However, we urge you to arrive on Friday to get settled before orientation activities begin on Saturday.

When do I find out what's going on during orientation?

On Friday from 9AM-7PM (and again on Saturday morning from 8AM-930AM), you will pick up your orientation material in Mabee Hall on the second floor of the Wright Campus Center. You will receive the **final** schedule for the weekend, along with a nametag which will include the name of your mentor and where you will meet with your C/I group. Representatives from various offices – Financial Aid, Business Office, Health Services - will be there to insure that all of your information is accurate and up-to-date. Campus Police will make ID cards and register vehicles and bicycles. If you are on a meal plan, you will use your ID card for meals beginning with lunch on Friday. Parents will also check in and receive their orientation materials – more information to come in their letter later this summer.

When do I register for classes?

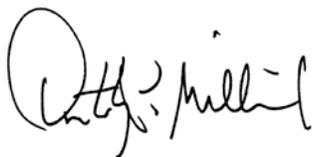
Your next opportunity to register for courses in person is **Saturday, July 6th** during Room Preview. Sign up for a registration appointment at <https://admissions.austincollege.edu>. If you are unable to make it to campus, you may continue to register for courses online at <http://www.austincollege.edu/coursereg/> through July 31st.

For students who do not register for classes during the summer, there will be a time during orientation weekend for you to do so. Your mentor will assist you in the advising and registration process. If you have already registered but you have a need to change your class schedule, your mentor will assist you with that as well.

I hope you are as excited about beginning your college career at Austin College as we are about meeting you and getting to know you over the next four years! If you have any questions, please call my office and speak with me or my assistant, Ms. Kristi Lucchese, at 903.813.2228, or you can send an email to klucchese@austincollege.edu.

See you in August! Go 'Roos!

Sincerely,



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