Congratulations on registering to attend Purdue’s Summer Transition, Advising and Registration Program (STAR)! It is important that you read this message thoroughly. It provides you with the detailed information you will need to make your STAR program visit a success.

Please note that, although individuals’ schedules may vary, students and their guests should expect to be on Purdue’s campus from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. during their STAR session.

STEP 1 – Return to the MyPurdue portal and complete the following activities if you have not done so already:

- **Register your guests.** STAR attendees are welcome to bring up to two registered guests to participate in the STAR Guest Program. Please be sure that you have registered your guests by name so we are prepared to serve them. Only two guests per student will be allowed into the program. Please visit the Purdue Parents and Family website for more information or contact parents@purdue.edu.
- **Take the ALEKS Math Assessment.** All new students are required to complete ALEKS. If you do not take this assessment seriously, you may be unable to register for your desired math course, or any math course. Plan to take ALEKS at least two days before your STAR visit; and plan on two hours to complete the exam. For more information about ALEKS, visit the math placement page.
- **Complete the Student Information Form** – Complete this form at least three days before your STAR session. Your Academic Advisor will use the information you share on this form to prepare for your academic advising meeting during STAR.
- **Religious Preference** – Students are invited to share their contact information with one or more of the religious student organizations affiliated with Purdue. More information can be found on the MyPurdue portal.
- **Upload your ID Card Photo** – When you come for your STAR date, you will pick up your ID at check-in, but only if you have uploaded a photo! Make sure it is a good picture as it will be the one you have for all four years on campus. See more information regarding your Purdue ID at Purdue’s ID Card Office website.
- **Complete MyCareerPlan** – Prior to your STAR date, please complete at least one of the three MyCareerPlan career exploration activities. Whether you have chosen an academic major and career option or you are still looking for what fits you best, these exercises will help you learn more about your career options and yourself.

STEP 2 – Please print and fill out the medical history form located at Purdue’s health center website. You will be able to drop this off at STAR Check-in at the Purdue Student Health Center (PUSH) table. For instructions on completing the medical history form and to learn important information about accessing healthcare services at Purdue, please read the Welcome Letter from the Health Center Director, which also may be found on the PUSH website.

STEP 3 – Go to the STAR website and print the following documents; read and bring with you to STAR:

- **Preparing for Your STAR Visit** – this document provides information on what you should bring, what you should wear, where to park, lodging possibilities and other areas of interest. Most importantly, the map within this document tells you where to go to check in.
- **Print Parking Pass** – Just what the title says! Print, write in the required information and display on your dashboard when parking in the areas designated on the parking pass. During STAR, your parking pass grants you free parking in the University Street, Northwestern Avenue, and
Harrison Street parking garages. Please note that if you park in the Grant Street parking garage (across from the Purdue Memorial Union), you will be responsible for the charge. If you choose to park elsewhere, you may get ticketed or towed.

STEP 4 – Consider the following as you prepare for your journey to campus:

- Purdue is on Eastern Standard Time (EST).
- Bring all of the items discussed above.
- Be prepared for whatever weather might come. Early morning rain storms are not uncommon!
- Be prepared for an active day moving about Purdue’s campus. We encourage anyone who requires mobility assistance (wheelchairs, etc.) to bring their own equipment.
- Students who need specific accommodations during STAR must contact the Disability Resource Center in advance of their STAR visit. Parents and other guests who need accommodations during STAR may indicate that on their STAR registration form.
- There will be a student ambassador posted near the entrance to each parking garage (listed on your parking pass) in the morning. They can direct you to check-in site once you park.
- The first event of the day (after you park) is STAR Check-in and Information Fair, 7 to 8 a.m. Please be sure to arrive early enough so that you can get checked in and spend time at the Information Fair before the program begins. At the Information Fair you will be able to purchase athletic tickets, drop off your medical history forms and learn about student employment, information technology, getting involved and living on campus just to name a few. The University Welcome presentation begins promptly at 8:15 a.m.
- Review the Daily Agenda at the STAR website. This will give you an idea of the sequence of events during each STAR day. As a reminder, individuals’ schedules may vary, but students and their guests should expect to be on Purdue’s campus from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. during their STAR session. Please note additional information about Purdue’s Foreign Language Testing at the bottom of this email.

STEP 5 – If your plans have changed and you need to reschedule your STAR session, please consider the following:

- STAR sections are organized by college, department or program. If you change your major or program AFTER registering to attend STAR by revisiting “Select Your STAR Session” in the MyPurdue portal. If you fail to do this, your new college, department, or program will not know you are coming and may not be prepared to assist you when you arrive.
- STAR sections will be near or at capacity as the event approaches. If you are considering changing your date of attendance, check section openings via myPurdue BEFORE you change your travel plans. Please keep in mind, all sections will close five working days prior to the date.
- If there are fewer than five working days before your scheduled date of attendance, contact the Student Success at Purdue Main Office at 765-494-9328 or studentsuccess@purdue.edu to see if there is room in another section.

Have a safe journey and see you at STAR!

Student Success at Purdue
765-494-9328
**Foreign Language Placement Testing STAR 2016:**

Placement testing will be offered throughout STAR for French, German, Japanese, Latin, Russian, Spanish and Heritage Spanish. Exams vary in length with Japanese taking approximately 45-60 minutes, and other exams approximately 25-35 minutes. Results will be available at the conclusion of the exam.

Students transferring in dual credits in a language, or with AP language exam scores of a 3 or higher should contact their advisor to inquire about credit and registration. Students with dual credits in a language or with AP scores of a 3 or higher will not be eligible to sit for a language placement exam.

Language placement exams do not offer credit by exam—this means that no credits will be awarded for exam results. In order to earn departmental credits through placement, students must enroll in the course into which they place, and complete that course with a C- or higher in order to receive the back credit for courses skipped in placement.

Additional information and details for testing in other languages may be found on the [Language Placement Testing website](#). Please direct any questions to Dr. Jason Baumer ([jbaumer@purdue.edu](mailto:jbaumer@purdue.edu)) in Purdue’s School of Languages and Cultures.