

Student Agenda **CUSTOMS 2023**

- 8:30–9:00 a.m.** **CUSTOMS Check-in**
Student Union ballrooms
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- 9:10–9:40 a.m.** **Port of Call 1**
Student Union ballrooms
Everything you need to know about college is shared in this session! This quick refresher course covers key things you need to know to navigate getting enrolled and enjoying your first year. We'll talk about how to get involved on campus, how to deal with financial aid and fee payment, and how you can find support and resources to assist you. We'll cover a lot, and then remind you how and where to look up these answers again later.
- 9:45–10:45 a.m.** **SOA Session and Campus Exploration**
Various locations
This session will allow you to get to know your SOA and other freshmen in your group. You will explore campus, learn your way around, and hear about all the exciting events and activities that happen on campus. This is your chance to feel what it is going to be like as a new Blue Raider on our beautiful campus. Your SOA will guide you during this process and answer any questions you have about campus life.
- 11:00–11:30 a.m.** **Port of Call 2**
Student Union ballrooms
You CAN succeed in your classes! The administration from Academic Affairs will explain the simple, straightforward actions students should take to be academically successful at MTSU. Also, learn about the incredible support available to all students, like advising and free tutoring, that can help you excel as a Blue Raider.
- 11:35–11:45 a.m.** **Announcements and Updates for the Day**
- 11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.** **Lunch on your own**
Student Union food court offers several options such as Bento Sushi, Dunkin Donuts, Panda Express, and Steak 'n Shake.
McCallie Dining Hall at the Keathley University Center offers an all-you-can eat service and is one of the locations that will accept the Freshman Meal Plan.
The Middle @ Corlew offers several options such as Chick-fil-A, Pizza Hut, and Subway.
- 12:45 p.m.** **Meet Your SOA**
Location determined by SOA
Your SOA will pick a place to meet that is close to your Meet Your Major session and then walk you to your academic informational session.

1:00 p.m.–until completed

Meet Your College Advising Staff and Register for Courses

During this session, your academic advisors and the dean for your college will introduce the curriculum and requirements for your major. You will be advised and register for classes during this session.

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| Basic and Applied Sciences | Student Union Ballroom |
| Behavioral and Health Science | Academic Classroom Building |
| Business | Business and Aerospace Building, Rooms S126 and S128 |
| Education | College of Education Building, Room 160 |
| Liberal Arts | Walker Library, Rooms 272 and 264A |
| Media and Entertainment | Business and Aerospace Building, Room S102 |
| University College | Business and Aerospace Building, Room S274 |

Optional Honors advising will be available after your meeting with your major advisor from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Honors Building, Rooms 227, 228, 229

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Taking Care of Business (options)

Now it is time to take care of individual things necessary for a smooth transition in the fall. We have many things planned to give you a glimpse into campus life and the resources and experiences you have available to you. We encourage you to spend some time participating in some, or all, of these options:

- CUSTOMS Yard Party: Meet many departments and learn about resources and ways to connect on campus (at the Student Union Commons).
- Tour campus housing. A map for this self-guided tour is in your CUSTOMS bag.
- On campus housing will be available in the lobby of Cummings Hall for housing related questions.
- Visit campus offices and take care of unfinished business.
- Pick up your BlueID in the Student Services and Admissions Center.
- Optional walk-in Honors advising or questions about Honors in Honors Building, Rooms 227, 228, 229

3:00–4:30 p.m.

Campus Interest Session Options

These 20-minute sessions allow you to get additional information about how these programs can assist and benefit you:

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| 3:00 p.m. | MT Choral and Vocal Programs | SU 221 |
| 3:30 p.m. | Aerospace Pro-Pilot | BAS S102 |
| | MT Choral and Vocal Programs | SU 221 |
| 4:00 p.m. | Band of Blue | SU 210 |

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Campus Rec Tours

MTSU Campus Recreation offers a wide variety of recreation activities in our 180,000-square-foot state-of-the-art facility. Fitness is not just exercise, it's a lifestyle. Come join us!

We hope you have enjoyed your time with us learning about and diving into our campus history and culture.

Parent/Guest Agenda

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| 9:40–9:55 a.m. | Break |
| 10:00–10:50 a.m. | Parent and Family Association Presentation and Q&A Student Union ballrooms Learn about the programs, services, and networking provided by the MTSU Parent and Family Association. Parent Orientation Q&A Take this opportunity to ask our Parent Orientation Assistants any questions you may have. They will share their personal experiences and give you information about campus from a current student’s point of view. |
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Meet Your Student's College Advising Staff

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The POAs will pick you up from the Academic meeting at 1:30 and guide you to your next session.

1:45–2:45 p.m.

Parent and guest meeting with MTSU administration

Student Union Building, ballrooms C, D, and E

We will share some of the questions parents ask most often about the student experience at MTSU. We will discuss some of the developmental milestones of the college years, as well as nuts and bolts issues like campus safety, student support resources, and next steps to prepare for the new semester. Time will be left at the end of the hour for any questions you may have that weren't covered in the session or earlier in the day.

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