

Tiger Orientation

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2026



Friday, August 14, 2026

8:00AM - 12:00PM

Chickasaw Business
and Conference Center

Orientation and Residence Hall Check In

Kick off your first day at ECU by checking into Tiger Orientation! If you are living on campus, you will also check into your Residence Hall and receive your room key here!

1:00PM - 1:30PM

Hallie Brown Ford
Fine Arts Center

Commuter Student Check In

Not living on campus? You will check into Tiger Orientation here before Student Convocation.

1:30PM-2:30PM

Hallie Brown Ford
Fine Arts Center

Student Convocation

Hear from East Central University's Administration as they welcome new students to campus! Required for all new students. Families are encouraged to attend.

2:30PM - 3:30PM

Hallie Brown Ford
Fine Arts Center

Meet your Major

After Student Convocation, students will be led to Academic Sessions around campus based on their major.

Parent Info. Meeting

Parents will stay in Ataloo Theatre to hear how they can support their student.

3:30PM - 4:30PM

University Center
Estep Room

Housing Hotline #1

Have Housing questions? Come meet ECU Housing & Residence Life Staff to see how you can have the best experience living on campus.

3:30PM - 6:00PM

On Your Own

Use this time to grab some food, finish moving into your Residence Hall, or do some last minute errands!

6:00PM - 7:00PM

Hallie Brown Ford
Fine Arts Center

Community Life Meeting

Meet campus leaders and hear about the ECU policies that help everyone stay safe on campus.

7:00PM - 8:00PM

Residence Halls + Estep

Floor Meetings

Head back to your Residence Hall to meet with your RA and RD.

Commuter Student Seminar

Hear from current students at ECU about how they navigate college life as a commuter student.

8:30PM - 10:00PM

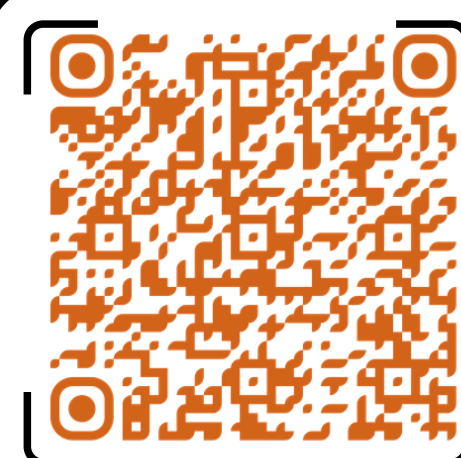
University Center Lawn

Outdoor Movie

End your first day as an ECU Tiger with free snacks and a showing of GOAT. Bring your own blanket!

Mandatory Events

Optional Events



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Saturday, August 15, 2026

9:30AM - 10:30AM

Chickasaw Business and Conference Center

Orientation Group #1

Meet your Tiger Orientation Leaders and Orientation Group to learn about how to get acclimated as a new ECU Tiger.

10:30AM - 11:30AM

Hallie Brown Ford Fine Arts Center

Health Services Presentation

Join your PAW Leaders for an interactive presentation on the different Health & Wellness Services that ECU offers.

11:30AM - 12:30PM

Lunch

Use this time to grab some lunch in Taff Cafeteria or take a break!

12:15PM - 1:15PM

University Center Estep Room

Housing Hotline #2

Have Housing questions? Come meet ECU Housing & Residence Life Staff to see how you can have the best experience living on campus.

1:15PM - 2:00PM

University Center

Build - A - Roary

Stop into the University Center to build your own Roary plush! For new ECU students only - while supplies last! Bring your Orientation nametag.

2:15PM - 3:15PM

Chickasaw Business and Conference Center

Orientation Group #2

Meet back up with your Orientation Leaders - learn how to navigate the technology that ECU uses and how to be successful in your academics.

3:30PM - 4:30PM

Chickasaw Business and Conference Center

Break Out Sessions

Check out different areas and resources on campus in a breakout session! The line-up will be given out in Orientation Group #2

4:30PM - 5:15PM

Tiger Fountain

Find Your Classroom

Head over to Tiger Fountain where Tiger Orientation Leaders will take you to find your classrooms for the semester!

5:15PM - 6:30PM

Dinner

Use this time to grab some dinner in Taff Cafeteria or take a break!

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6:30PM - 8:00PM

Kerr Dome

Welcome Home to the Dome

Join the ECU Athletic Teams and coaches in the Dome for a preview of Tiger Athletics.

8:30PM - 10:30PM

Chickasaw Business and Conference Center

GLOW! Tigers Party + Laser Tag

Dance the night away with a GLOW party and laser tag!



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Sunday, August 16, 2026

10:00AM - 2:00PM

Various Locations

Spiritual Connections

Spend the Sunday morning exploring different faith-based organizations near ECU or take the time to prepare for the evening activities! Students will receive the information in Orientation Group #2.

12:00PM - 2:00PM

Lunch

Use this time to grab some lunch or to prepare for the evening festivities!

2:30PM - 4:00PM

Chickasaw Business and Conference Center

Orientation Group #3

Meet up with your Tiger Orientation Leaders one last time to learn about Campus Life at ECU and the importance of resilience in college.

4:00PM - 5:30PM

Linscheid Library

Library Open House

Visit the Linscheid Library to meet the staff and to learn about all the services, programs, and tools they offer.

5:30PM - 8:00PM

Campus Mall

Mall Crawl

To close out Tiger Orientation, all ECU Student Organizations and Departments gather at the Campus Mall to kick off the Fall 2026 semester! There will be free food and giveaways!

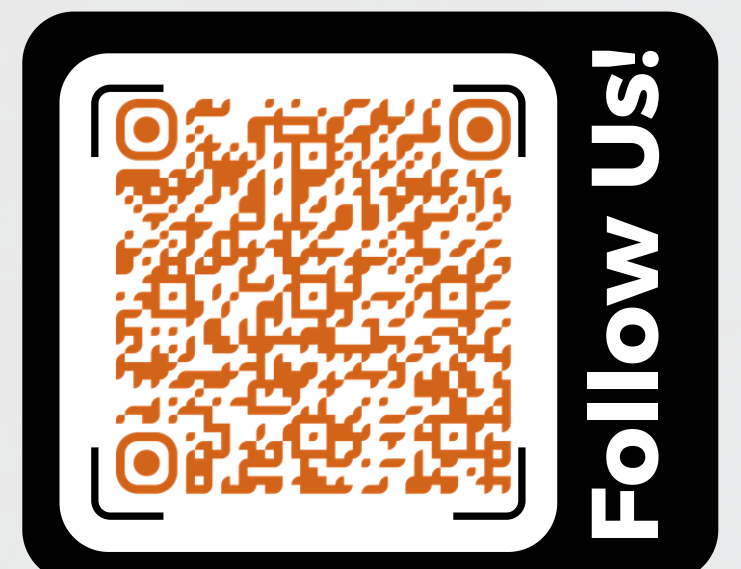
Thank you for being a part of Tiger Orientation! We are so excited to welcome you to campus and hope this experience helped you begin to feel at home here at East Central University.

As you start your first semester of college tomorrow, take chances, introduce yourself to new people, and get involved in things that interest you. There may be moments that challenge you, but those are often the ones that help you grow the most. Remember that asking for help is a sign of strength, not weakness—we are all here to support you!

Most importantly, believe in yourself. You earned your place here, and you are capable of more than you think. Take it one day at a time, celebrate your small wins, and don't forget to enjoy your time as an ECU Tiger!

Once a Tiger, Always a Tiger.

♡ *Tiger Orientation Team*



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