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Upcoming Dates

September 5
Labor Day (No Classes)

September 8
Mustang Success Night

September 9 - September 11
Family Weekend

September 26
DUE DATE FOR FALL. If on an
*SMSU Payment Plan (\$30 charge
will apply), and 1/2 of account
balance must be paid*

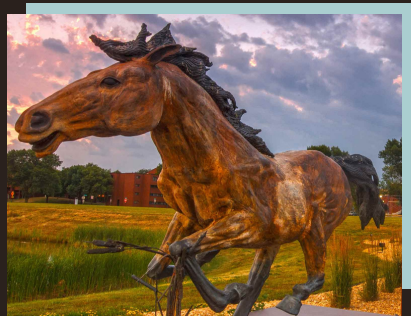
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Greetings from SMSU:

Hello, First-Year Mustang Parents/Guardians!

I hope you are doing well and staying healthy. As our Mustangs settle in for a new academic year at SMSU, I thought I would share some information with you through our monthly newsletter on available resources and support.

For our new students who are adjusting to life on campus, they may begin to experience some additional stress/anxiety from being away from home for the first time. As we approach the third week of the semester, your student may have an increased amount of exams to study for, papers to write, or presentations to prep. Here at SMSU, we have many tools and resources to ensure our students are supported. In this newsletter, I have highlighted a few of those support services that your student may find beneficial.

As always, the success of your student is our mission! If you have any questions or concerns about your student's overall experience at SMSU, please contact me directly at (507) 537-7290 or Brittany.Krull@SMSU.edu.

Go Mustangs!



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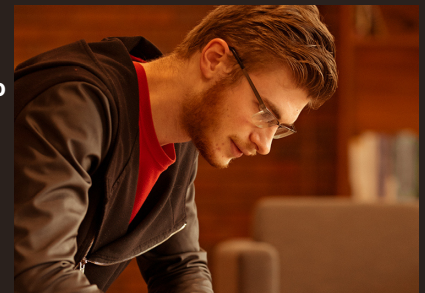
Success Strategy: Strike a Balance

The first semester of college is full of many opportunities for students to expand their horizons, but it can be difficult to learn how to manage growing studies and a growing social life. In order to stay healthy physically and mentally, students should work to create balance in their new environment. The following tips make finding that balance more manageable:

Budget your Time: Make sure to allot enough time in your schedule for all of your classes, studying, and work. After you lay out all of your necessary commitments, you can see how much free time you truly have for joining clubs and socializing.

Set Actionable Goals: Setting goals helps students prioritize for the year. If they want that 4.0 GPA, they will need to spend more time studying. If their goal is to meet one friend per semester, they will want to be more active on campus. Every time they meet their goal, they should celebrate by treating themselves with something like ice cream.

Source: Study USA, 2020



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