May 1, 2021

Dear Bridge to Clemson Student,

Congratulations on your upcoming high school graduation and your acceptance into the Bridge to Clemson program at Tri-County Technical College (Tri-County)! The next step in preparing for your enrollment is to attend orientation. Orientation will include being introduced to Tri-County and Clemson professionals in addition to your future classmates, learning about the variety of programs and services available to you as a Bridge student, as well as advising and registration for your fall semester courses.

Due to the impact of COVID-19, orientation will be in a virtual format. The virtual Bridge to Clemson orientation includes three components: online modules, a virtual small group session (Tiger Talk), and a virtual advising and registration appointment.

**Online modules:** There is no registration for the online modules. Login information will be provided via your College e-mail (@tctc.edu) by June 1. You **must** complete all online modules by **July 9, 2021.**

**Small group sessions (Tiger Talk):** You **must** register for a Tiger Talk session. Registration will open online on the Orientation link on our website ([tctc.edu/clemsonbridge](http://tctc.edu/clemsonbridge)) at **2 p.m. EST on May 10, 2021.** Each Tiger Talk has a maximum number of available seats. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis until a Tiger Talk session fills. Register early to reserve your desired space! To complete the registration process, you will need your Tri-County student ID number (T#). You **must** complete your Tiger Talk by **July 7, 2021.**

**Virtual Advising and registration session:** You **must** register for a Virtual Advising and Registration session. Registration will open online at the Orientation link on our website ([tctc.edu/clemsonbridge](http://tctc.edu/clemsonbridge)) at **2 p.m. EST on May 10, 2021.** Each session has a maximum number of available seats. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis until a session fills. Register early to reserve your desired space! To complete the registration process, you will need your Tri-County student ID number (T#). During this virtual session you will have a short pre-advising presentation and then you will meet with a Tri-County advisor and Bridge staff member one-on one to be advised and register for your fall semester classes. You **must** complete your Virtual Advising and Registration session by **July 8, 2021.**

Please note the importance of submitting the Residency Clarification and Citizenship Confirmation Affidavit and your official transcripts for any dual enrollment and/or any AP/IB score reports, as well as completing your Accuplacer, **prior to the June 1 deadline** to ensure a smooth advising and registration process (see page 5 of the Orientation Reminders Checklist for more information).

Ensure that you thoroughly review the summary of tasks and additional information in this Bridge to Clemson Orientation Guide. Continue reviewing the Bridge to Clemson Enrollment Checklist and complete all appropriate steps by the stated deadlines. Also, be sure to review the Orientation link on our website ([tctc.edu/clemsonbridge](http://tctc.edu/clemsonbridge)). Due to the ever-evolving impact of COVID-19, the Orientation webpage will be continuously updated, as necessary. Continue reviewing your official Tri-County and Clemson e-mail accounts (@tctc.edu or @clemson.edu) daily.

Welcome to the Bridge to Clemson program and we look forward to preparing you through orientation for a successful transition to college!

Sincerely,

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