2016 Pre-BGR Checklist


- **Report private scholarships.**  
  Financial aid regulations do not allow you to be over-awarded. This means you must report private scholarships to Purdue’s Division of Financial Aid (DFA) to have your aid package adjusted. If you have an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) of $0 and are fully funded through 21st Century Scholars and Purdue Promise, contact us before accepting private scholarships and reporting them to DFA. For help, review instructions for reporting private scholarships.

- **Recommended: Sign up for direct deposit. (Or update local address in myPurdue.)**  
  Signing up for direct deposit is the fastest and safest method for receiving your refund if you are eligible to receive one. Direct deposit allows you to have access to your refund faster than waiting for a paper check to be mailed by the Bursar. It also prevents your check from being sent to the wrong address or landing in the wrong hands. We strongly recommend that you sign up, and do so more than 10 days before the start of the semester. If you choose not to sign up for direct deposit, please make sure your local address is updated in myPurdue, as that is where your refund check will be mailed.

- **Contact your roommate.**  
  On-campus housing and roommate assignments are sent around July 15, 2016 to your Purdue e-mail. Contact your roommate to introduce yourself. Decide together who will bring specific items for your shared space. Review things to bring and not to bring.

- **Sign up for a move-in time for BGR.** (Review information about move-in.)  
  You will receive instructions via your Purdue e-mail address directing you to a link to sign up for a move-in time with University Residences. You may move in Monday, August 15, 2016 or Tuesday, August 16, 2016. The BGR fees that Purdue Promise pays for include your room charges beginning August 15, and meal charges beginning Wednesday, August 17. You may use BoilerExpress, cash, or credit to purchase meals in the dining courts prior to BGR meals beginning Wednesday.

- **Provide any final grades and transcripts, and transfer credit as needed.**  
  All new students must provide an official final high school transcript. Work with your guidance counselor to have this sent to Admissions at Purdue. You can also review information on how to transfer credit to Purdue.

- **Accept financial aid loans, as needed, and complete Loan Entrance Counseling and your Master Promissory Note(s).**  
  If you have an EFC, you will be offered loans for your EFC amount in case you do not have that money in hand to help finance your education. You should only accept these loans if you truly need the funds. If so, visit your Financial tab in myPurdue to accept them (in full or in partial amounts). When you accept loans you will have to do Loan Entrance Counseling and sign a Master Promissory Note before funds can be disbursed. These action items will show as red flags on your Financial tab under “Financial Aid Requirements” in myPurdue. It is recommended you complete these items between August 1-5, 2016 after receiving your bill for the fall 2016 semester.

- **Purchase or reserve textbooks.**  
  Many students purchase their books at local bookstores during BGR. Purdue now houses the first staffed Amazon store on campus. You can shop online and pick up your order in KRCH, where Purdue Promise offices are located. If you choose to purchase through a bookstore, we recommend that you reserve books online prior to BGR. A word of caution when ordering online: be sure you are ordering the right edition! The best way to know is to check the ISBN. Do not buy a Purdue Mortar Board (planner). Purdue Promise provides this for all freshmen scholars. You will receive yours the first day of GS 197.

- **View and pay (if necessary) your billing invoice.**  
  Your bill will be sent to your Purdue e-mail address and will be accessible through the Financial tab in myPurdue in late July. No paper statements will be mailed. This bill will be for your fall semester tuition/fees and room/board (if living on campus). If you have not received a bill by August 1, 2016, contact the Office of the Bursar. Bills are due by 5 p.m. the first day of classes.  
  - A negative balance means your financial aid covered your bill, and you can expect to receive in a refund.
  - Your TouchNet portal in myPurdue should show your financial aid crediting to your bill. If it is not, call us immediately!

- **Confirm your enrollment.**  
  Once you are registered full-time and your bill is paid in full, you must confirm your enrollment. If you have a balance due and it is not paid by 5 p.m. the Monday after classes begin and you cannot confirm your enrollment, your registration will be cancelled.

- **Boiler Gold Rush (BGR) Move In:** August 15 – 16, 2016
- **Boiler Gold Rush (BGR):** August 16 – 20, 2016
- **First Day of Classes:** August 22, 2016 (bills and confirmed enrollment due at 5 p.m.)
- **Cancellation for unpaid bills and enrollment not confirmed:** August 29, 2016

Call our office at (765) 494-6357 or e-mail purduepromise@purdue.edu if you have any questions. We’ll see you at BGR!