2016 Eligibility Pre-STAR Checklist

This checklist will be e-mailed to the Purdue, personal, and parent e-mails on file for the student so you can access hyperlinks.

STOP: Have you activated your student career account?
Before you can move through the following checklist you must have activated your online career account so that you can gain access to myPurdue. If you have not done so, review instructions on how to activate your account.

☑ Accept your offer of Admission to Purdue, West Lafayette by May 1, 2016.
Do this by clicking on “Accept Your Offer” in myPurdue. You must plan to enroll in the fall 2016 semester (unless you have been admitted to Summer Start). You cannot defer admission to spring 2017 and be eligible for Purdue Promise. If you did not accept your admission by May 1 and are still interested in attending Purdue, please contact Admissions at (765) 494-1776.

☑ Register for and attend Summer Transition, Advising and Registration (STAR). Sign your participation agreement.
Register by clicking on the “Select Your STAR Session” link on your myPurdue New Student tab. If you need help, review instructions on how to register. This is a mandatory advising and registration day, held June 13 - July 8, 2016. (Note: All Summer Start students will be automatically registered for July 8.) When you attend STAR, make sure to meet with Purdue Promise staff in the Armory room 101 between 10:15 am and 3:15 pm to sign your participation agreement.

☑ Register and attend Boiler Gold Rush (BGR).
All new students are expected to participate in a Purdue new student orientation experience. BGR is an orientation program that takes place August 16-20, 2016 with move-in occurring on August 15-16. It is required for Purdue Promise scholars unless you qualify for an exemption (see below). Register for BGR on your myPurdue New Student tab after you accept your offer of admission. Do not pay the registration fee up front. Purdue Promise will cover the cost after you sign your contract at STAR.

- Purdue Promise scholars planning to participate in orientation programs run by Purdue Bands, Purdue Athletics, and Purdue Musical Organizations may receive exemptions for this requirement. Please contact Michelle Ashcraft at mashcraf@purdue.edu to request an exemption before registering for another orientation experience.

☐ Optional: Apply for a Learning Community.
Many first-year students participate in learning communities, which give you the option to live with other students in your major and/or take connected courses with the same students in your major. View profiles of learning community options for your major and apply as soon as possible if interested. The priority deadline is May 5, 2016 and placements will be sent out June 1, 2016.

☑ Sign a housing contract (if you plan to live on campus for 2016-17).
After accepting your offer of admission, allow up to two business days to gain access to the housing contract site. As you are selecting your housing and meal plan, be sure to verify that your selections are less than or equal to Purdue’s standard cost of attendance for room and board (noted on your Financial tab in myPurdue). When selecting your room type, know that Purdue Promise covers a standard double room with air conditioning, and we will work with University Residences to prevent you from being placed in other rooms that will cause you to incur out-of-pocket costs. The deadline to sign a housing contract and be guaranteed housing in University Residences for the 2016-17 academic year is May 5, 2016 at 11:59 p.m.

☑ Complete any FAFSA / financial aid edits with the State Division of Student Financial Aid (SFA) if requested.
FAFSA edits must be received by the deadline of 11:59 PM EST on May 15, 2016. Continue to check the e-mail you listed on the FASA, your eStudent account, and your myPurdue Financial tab for updates. Read and follow instructions carefully until you receive confirmation that you have accurately completed edits. Make sure Purdue is listed as your first choice school in eStudent.

☑ Complete requests for information from Purdue’s Division of Financial Aid (DFA).
DFA may request additional verification information. It is important that you provide the requested documentation. Red flags will appear in the Financial tab in your myPurdue account with hyperlinks you can click on to download instructions.

☑ Complete the ALEKS Math Placement Exam
This math placement exam MUST be completed at least one week before you attend STAR and can be accessed through your New Student tab in myPurdue beginning June 1, 2016. Until then you can read about the ALEKS placement process.

Events to Keep in Mind:
- STAR: June 13 – July 8, 2016 (July 8 for Summer Start)

Remember, in order to be accepted into the Purdue Promise program, you must meet all income requirements and complete all of the required checklist items. Call our office at (765) 494-6357 if you have any questions. We’ll see you at STAR!