July 23, 2018,

Angelo State University Parent,

Welcome to the Angelo State University Ram Family! We eagerly anticipate your student's arrival at ASU and look forward to a lasting relationship with you both. This new beginning will be a transition not only for your student, but also for you as a parent and for your family. So much about the college experience is new for both students and parents. College-bound students have the opportunity to explore newfound freedoms and the responsibilities attached to those freedoms. They are often confronted with decisions about alcohol use and how to navigate relationships. Their parents learn what it means to be parents of a young adult.

We at Angelo State University are committed to ensuring your student receives an exceptional education and can be successful not only in the classroom, but also in becoming a successful member of our campus community. As part of that commitment, we have implemented a comprehensive training program to help our students make safe decisions related to alcohol use and relationships, including preventing sexual assault. Many students at ASU refrain from using drugs or alcohol. Some students consume alcohol responsibly, while others make poor decisions and misuse alcohol or drugs to varying degrees. Sexual assault is another issue that statistics show affects college campuses nationwide. ASU is dedicated to maintaining a safe and healthy campus, and in doing so, offers multiple prevention programs for students.

One way in which we address these issues is through mandatory training courses required for all first-year and transfer students. These courses are offered through the company *Everfi* and are called *AlcoholEDU* and *Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduate Students.* These trainings are innovative, interactive and informative and are created especially for students. Students will learn about the interconnected issues of hooking up, substance abuse and sexual misconduct, as well as how to be an effective bystander in a college setting.

AlcoholEDU provides detailed information about alcohol and the effects it has on the mind and body. It includes three surveys that assist students in measuring their attitude and behavior as it relates to alcohol. Your student will also have the opportunity during this training module to develop skills that help in handling situations involving peers and their use of alcohol.

Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduate Students is intended to educate students about healthy relationships, the importance of consent and good communication. It will also

empower your student to become an effective bystander. *Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduate Students* contains information about warning signs for sexual assault/misconduct and interpersonal violence and includes multiple surveys related to these topics.

All responses to surveys or quizzes offered through the training modules are completely confidential. ASU will collect information from the student body as a whole to assist us in our prevention and education programming, but an individual student's answers will never be shared with the university.

We believe that parents play a significant role in influencing their student's behavior. We encourage you to open a dialogue about alcohol and relationships with your student and to continue that dialogue throughout their time at ASU.

Should you have additional questions about these training modules, or how to talk to your son or daughter about these topics, please utilize the resources listed below, visit the FAQ on the Title IX website or contact our Director of Title IX Compliance at michelle.boone@angelo.edu or 325-942-2019.

Sincerely,
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Resources for Parents of College Students

AlcoholEDU® for Parents from Everfi	www.everfi.com/alcoholeduforparents/
ASU Office of Title IX Compliance	www.angelo.edu/titleix
ASU Health Clinic and Counseling Services	www.angelo.edu/healthclinic
The Partnership at DrugFree.org	www.drugfree.org
What Parents Need to Know About College Drinking	www.collegedrinkingprevention.gov
National Sexual Violence Resource Center	www.nsvrc.org
Love is Respect.Org	www.loveisrespect.org