



Hello Future Gamecock!

We're so excited to see you on your way to becoming #JaxStateBound! Thanksgiving has us thinking about delicious meals and reflecting on everything we're grateful for. This week's *Your Journey to Jax State* email will give you a taste of the dining options available on campus. We'll also share what we're most thankful for this year, as 2024 brought many exciting changes to make the student experience even better!

## Dining at Jax State



With **11 dining locations** on campus, there's something for everyone at Jax State! Whether you're in the mood for a quick bite, a coffee, or a full meal, our diverse dining options have you covered.



Plus, we've added exciting new features like DEX Robot food delivery and a convenient mobile ordering app, making it easier than ever to grab your favorites on the go. Our **brand-new dining hall** also offers plenty of space and great food for you and your friends to enjoy. Today, the Jax State community came together in the dining hall to enjoy the annual Thanksgiving meal—a delicious tradition we all look forward to!

#### **Student Favorites:**

*"My favorite spot on campus is the Theron Montgomery Building food court. Every time I go, I get some amazing lunch with my meal plan, and I see a friendly face that always lifts my spirits." – Avery Bowman*

*"My favorite spot on campus is WOW American Eats. I really like to get their buffalo chicken wrap combo." – TaShauria Morris*

*"My favorite spot on campus is Merrill Hall. It's a gorgeous building with so many spots to study. And you can grab a Starbucks drink before class there! – Maddie Kate Parker*

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**We're Thankful!**



This year at Jax State, we have so much to be thankful for:

- We opened [North Village Residence Hall](#), designed specifically for freshmen, and our new [Jax State Dining Hall](#). These new facilities provide modern spaces for living and dining!
- Gamecock athletics continues to shine with exciting upgrades to the football stadium, including new turf and the addition of the state-of-the-art [Loring and Debbie White Football Complex](#). Jax State has also entered an unprecedented partnership, as Jax State, AmFirst, and the Jax State Foundation have signed a multi-year agreement to rebrand the home of Jax State Football as [AmFirst Stadium](#). This marks the first time in the university's history that the football stadium has been named. All Jax State students get free admission to every home game!
- Our [Women's Bowling Team](#) made history, winning the **national championship** in their very first season!
- The **Marching Southerners** performed in Normandy, France, in June 2024 to honor the **80th anniversary of D-Day**. Learn more about the trip [here!](#)
- We celebrated breaking another [enrollment record](#) this fall, with over 9,900 students now calling Jax State home.
- [Jax MIX](#), Jax State's innovative **new general education program**, launched this semester. This program allows students to earn badged microcredentials through select courses and events, providing unique opportunities to showcase their skills. Jax State is proud to be the first university in the nation to offer this groundbreaking option as part of general education.
- Jax State climbed the ranks in the 2025 **U.S. News Best Colleges** list, now at #55 among Regional Universities in the South. The university also secured a spot among the Top Public Universities in the South, tying at #25 out of 58 schools. These achievements affirm Jax State's reputation as a leader in public higher education and its commitment to excellence for students. Learn more [here!](#)
- We opened the [Victory Center](#), a dedicated space for veterans, active-duty service members, and their families.
- The [Student Symposium](#) showcased incredible work from 70 Jax State students, a tradition we've proudly continued since 1995.

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## What's Coming Next...



From all of us at the Jax State Office of Admissions, we wish you and your loved ones a wonderful Thanksgiving! We have so much to be thankful for this year, and our #JaxStateBound students are at the top of that list. We love supporting you on your college journey!

Stay tuned for the next edition, where we'll dive into the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and share all the information you need to get ready for filing.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Go Gamecocks!  
Jax State Admissions

*Missed a 'Your Journey to Jax State' message? Check them all out [here!](#)*

