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Tips for transferring between colleges

As the fall semester winds down, some college students may be thinking about transferring to another school. Some students may be finishing one degree and want to get a higher one. Others find the school they chose isn't the best fit for them, or perhaps family circumstances changed.

KHEAA–Alabama offers these tips for making sure your transfer goes smoothly.

You should talk with the financial aid office at your current school to make sure you don't owe anything or to find out if you get a refund. Also talk with the financial aid office at your new school to make sure you've done everything you need to get funding when you transfer.

Also, contact the registrar's office at your new school to find out what credits and grades you earned at your current school will transfer.

If you have more questions about transferring, each college should have a contact person who can answer them. Students transferring from a public Alabama two-year college to a public Alabama university can find help at <http://stars.troy.edu>.

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