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Dear Students and Families,

The day is fast approaching when you arrive on campus and your whirlwind adventure begins. The Residence Life Staff are eagerly preparing for your arrival. We hope you are excited to be new members of the Emory community.

As you are packing for the trip to your new home, we want to provide some important tips and reminders. First, bring less! Even though your room may be spacious, storage and closet space is limited. Speak with your roommate to determine who is going to bring a television, refrigerator, etc. We will also provide maps with directions to grocery stores, Target, IKEA, Bed, Bath, and Beyond, and other stores close to campus. For a list of suggested items to bring and a list of prohibited items, please visit our website at <http://www.emory.edu/HOUSING/UNDERGRAD/bring.html> and <http://www.emory.edu/HOUSING/UNDERGRAD/nobring.html>

As you may already know, Harris Hall and part of the Complex sit on Clifton Road, a major thoroughfare for Emory Hospital, the CDC, and the surrounding Druid Hills community. It can get quite congested at times, especially during big events like move-in day and morning rush hour. Additionally, emergency crews such as ambulances and fire trucks are frequently seen on this road as our hospital and a fire station are located immediately down the street.

What does that mean for you?!? During move-in, traffic may be re-routed, and streets may convert to one-way traffic to allow for easier access to our halls. There will be Emory Police officers directing traffic on Move-In day. You will receive an e-mail with your individually assigned move-in time and location, when you will be allowed to drop off your belongings in your assigned drop-off area. Please note that areas around the residence halls will be for unloading only; no parking is allowed. After unloading your car, you will be asked to park your car in one of our nearby parking decks. Shuttles will be running back and forth from the decks, so there isn't a need to worry about walking in the hot sun or getting lost on campus. Please be mindful when driving around campus of the many pedestrians and limited parking.

Students, please make sure you bring your picture ID in order to begin the check-in process. Our staff will be giving you a lot of materials when you check-in. Take the time to read over them. Also, on Saturday night you will have your mandatory first hall meeting. This meeting will be in the evening after your Orientation activities. The exact time will be posted on your hall. This is a wonderful time to meet your RAs, SAs, and your new hall mates.

If you have any questions before your arrival, do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email. My office number is 404-727-5870 and my email is ben.perlman@emory.edu. We cannot wait for you to join us. Safe travels!

Sincerely,

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