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## Email Success Notification: Preparing for Move-in

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Fri, Aug 9, 2024 at 8:30 AM

Dear Administrator,

Your **PFE - Residence Life & Housing: Move-in** campaign was sent on 08/09/2024 around 7:30 AM CST. This email was sent to 1393 recipient(s).

Below is a copy of the message your recipients received.



Greetings, families,

Below is a copy of an email your students recently received from Residence Life and Housing to help them prepare for Move-in Day. It contains a lot of important information, much of which I am sure you are curious about so we wanted to share it with you too. As you and your student embark on this transition, we have also included some suggested conversation topics and starters to consider.

### Conversation Starters

- When you think about your transition to Holy Cross, what things excite you the most?  
What things worry you the most?
- What do you want our communication to look like once your semester starts?
- Tell me about the classes you selected? What made you decide on those?
- How will you communicate with me about academic successes, struggles, and grades?
- How will you know when you are feeling stressed, and what steps will you take?
- What things do you want us to be sure to do as a family before you start at Holy Cross?  
How do you want us to celebrate this transition?

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## EMAIL SENT TO STUDENTS ON AUGUST 8

Greetings, Students:

The College is excited for the Class of 2028 to arrive on campus on Wednesday, Aug. 21 between 8 a.m. - noon. You should review this email in full as it contains important action items and key information as you prepare to arrive.

Before you arrive also [watch this video](#) from President Rougeau and others for five tips to know before moving to campus:



## SIGN-UP FOR MOVE-IN TIME

To assist in your transition to campus, Residence Life and Housing requests that each new student sign-up for a move-in time by 9 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 19. There are limited options available in 30-minute time blocks for each residence hall. To select your move-in time, students should navigate to the [Housing Director - Student Self Service](#), then scroll down to find the options below their room and roommate information.

If you are scheduled to arrive early (before Aug. 21), you will not have access to select a move-in time, because your time slot will be communicated to you in the coming days.

## MOVE-IN SCHEDULE

There are several events for students and families throughout the day. Review the schedule [online](#). Please note, families are asked to depart campus by 5:15 p.m. so that students can begin their Gateways Orientation experience. Last week the College hosted a webinar titled "Preparing to Live On-Campus" that you might find helpful to [watch](#) before you arrive if you were not able to join live.

## GATEWAYS ORIENTATION

Gateways Orientation will officially begin following Mass of the Holy Spirit. This multi-day program will provide new students the opportunity to find connections and begin building community on campus, settle into their residence halls, and learn more about key campus resources and departments prior to the first day of class. Students will receive a detailed schedule of events for Gateways Orientation when they check-in for orientation. Watch for upcoming emails from Gateways Orientation that will showcase a variety of events and programs taking place over the weekend. The program will end with First-Year Convocation and the President's Banquet on Monday, Aug. 26, 2024. For any questions about Gateways Orientation, please email [gateways@g.holycross.edu](mailto:gateways@g.holycross.edu).

## CAMPUS ARRIVAL

**Driving Directions:** Please navigate to campus based on your preferred navigation app: [Apple Maps](#) (mobile use only), [Google Maps](#), [Waze](#), or enter **1 College St, Worcester, MA 01610** into your navigation system. Drivers will enter campus at the Linden Lane Gate on College Street (Gate 2) as pictured below.



*Photo of Linden Lane from College Street*

**Arriving:** When you arrive at campus, you will be directed through the campus roads to the appropriate residence hall to unload your car. You will stop at a check-in tent on Loyola Road where you will receive a placard to visibly display on your car's dashboard. This [map](#) will give you a better sense of the traffic pattern for the day.

**Moving Into Your Room:** Once at your residence hall, volunteers will help you unload your vehicle and bring items to your room. **You should visibly label all of your items with your name, building, and room number, and also please avoid using trash bags as a means of packing your items.**

The student will get out of the vehicle to visit the residence hall check-in table. The driver of the vehicle should remain in the driver's seat and once the vehicle is unloaded proceed to campus parking nearby, and then return to the residence hall to help unpack.

**Completing the Move-In Process:** Once your belongings have been unloaded, please go to the Hogan Campus Center fourth floor to complete the move-in process. You will check in with Gateways Orientation, pick up your Holy Cross ID, verify forms with Health Services, complete student employment paperwork (if applicable), and other tasks.

## PREPARING FOR MOVE-IN

**Reach Out to Your Roommate(s):** If you have not yet, we would encourage you to connect with your roommate(s) before arriving on the Hill. Some suggested items to connect on,

include:

- Who will bring which items for your room?
- What is their class schedule for the fall?
- What about Holy Cross are you most excited about?

**Suggested Packing List:** We want to also provide you with our suggested [Packing Checklist](#) for items to potentially bring with you. You may also want to consider connecting with our selected partners ([MicroFridge Rentals](#) and [Dormi Beds](#)). Some items that we ask you to leave home include candles, air conditioners, pets, contact paper and wall paper, LED lights with sticky adhesive, and extra furniture. For a full list of prohibited items, please visit page 27 of the [Community Standards Process and Procedures document](#).

**Medical Forms and Immunizations:** All required [medical forms and immunizations](#) must be uploaded by Aug. 12. Students may only be permitted to move in if they are compliant with these requirements. Students who have submitted forms, but are missing an immunization, will be able to receive boosters at our Vaccine Compliance Clinic that will be held on Aug. 22, from 1 - 4 p.m. Students should check their [Patient Portal](#) to ensure all requirements are complete, and to review any secure messages sent by Health Services.

**Mailing to Holy Cross:** You may begin shipping belongings to campus. Student mailroom box numbers can be found in their [STAR account](#). Please do not use the words "P.O. Box" when mailing to campus as these are not true P.O. boxes, and packages addressed in this manner may instead be delivered to the central Post Office in downtown Worcester and result in significant delivery delays.

Use the below format for all mail and packages you will send to campus. Simply put the four digits on the same line as the last name.

Student Name – ##### (four-digit mailroom number from STAR)  
College of the Holy Cross  
1 College St.  
Worcester, MA 01610-2395

### **Deadline Reminders:**

- **PAST DUE:** Submit photo for student ID
- **August 12:** Holy Cross 101 courses
- **August 12:** Medical Records and Immunizations - all necessary forms must be uploaded to your Patient Portal. More information can be found on the [Health Services website](#).

If you have any questions as you prepare to move to campus, please reach out as you need to:

Residence Life and Housing at [reslife@holycross.edu](mailto:reslife@holycross.edu) with questions about the Move-In process or residence halls.

Gateways Orientation at [gateways@g.holycross.edu](mailto:gateways@g.holycross.edu) with questions about Gateways Orientation or your transition to Holy Cross.

Dean Bellin at [classdean2028@holycross.edu](mailto:classdean2028@holycross.edu) with questions regarding fall semester courses.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,  
Antonio Willis-Berry '13  
Director of Residence Life and Housing

Patrick Rogers  
Director of Orientation and Transition



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