

Hey Class of 2015!

I am so excited that you have decided to come to Xavier. Trust me, you made the right decision. My name is Clare McGrath, and I am the New Student Programs Coordinator for Manresa 2011. In all of your college preparations, you've probably planned which classes you will take first semester, what you are going to bring with you to Xavier, and you may have even considered some of the clubs and activities in which you would like to be involved. However, one thing you may not have given much thought to is your safety as a Xavier student. Don't worry! I'm here to help. The following is a list of some of the resources and programs that Xavier offers to ensure your safety:

#### *Code of Student Conduct*

As a registered Xavier University student, you have agreed to follow the code of student conduct as outlined in the Student Handbook. This code of conduct covers a variety of subjects ranging from underage alcohol consumption and hazing to hate crimes. During the summer, new students receive a letter from the Dean of Students, Luther Smith, Ph.D., with information on the code of conduct and the climate of respect at Xavier. You will also learn more about these topics during Manresa. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with University policies in our Student Handbook, which can be found at <http://www.xavier.edu/deanofstudents/documents/studenthandbook.pdf>.

#### *Emergency Preparedness*

As part of Xavier's ongoing emergency preparedness efforts, the University established the Office of Emergency Management and Business Continuity. The office coordinates campus processes for the development, implementation and maintenance of the University's crisis/emergency plans. Extensive emergency plans are in place and reviewed often to ensure that campus personnel are prepared to activate the plans in a crisis. The Emergency Response Team (ERT) provides leadership and support before, during, and after a crisis. The ERT, Xaveir University Police, and local police departments participate in training exercises to help us prepare for and work together to manage a crisis. For more information, visit <http://www.xavier.edu/administrativeservices/emergency.cfm>.

#### *XU Alert Me*

Xavier has found a great way to alert everyone on campus when there is an emergency. Everyone who signs up for XU Alert Me will receive a text or a call when there is a snow day and classes are cancelled or when there is immediate danger. So sign up today on the portal under the XU Alert Me tab and avoid getting up for class on a snow day!

#### *Xavier University Police*

In order to maintain a safe environment, Xavier University has its own campus police department that patrols 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. To learn more about our Xavier police and the services that they provide, please visit <http://www.xavier.edu/police/>.

#### *Shuttle Service*

Xavier offers a shuttle service that runs within a one mile radius of campus. The shuttles operate on about 15-minute rotations. While the shuttle service provides a safer

alternative to walking, you should continue to be aware of your surroundings, and always walk with a friend!

*Xavier Advocate Program*

Xavier University understands that unfortunate events do occur. Therefore, the University has an Advocate Program that provides support and resources for victims of stalking, discrimination, violence, or harassment. To learn more about the Advocate Program at Xavier, please visit, <http://www.xavier.edu/advocate/index.cfm>.

I hope that you find this information helpful and informative as you prepare to enter Xavier this fall. Please feel free to contact us with any questions you have about Manresa and the content of this message. Visit Manresa on the web at [www.xavier.edu/orientation](http://www.xavier.edu/orientation), call us at (513) 745-3662, or email us at [manresa@xavier.edu](mailto:manresa@xavier.edu).

Enjoy the rest of your summer. I can't wait to see you all in August!

Much Love and Go Muskies!

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