What’s up, Class of 2013? I hope everyone is having a great summer so far! Xavier University cannot wait to welcome you into our community and provide you with your “home away from home”. I hope all of you are ready for the most exciting years of your lives because Xavier will definitely mold and shape you into the men and women you will become.

Commuter Students
For all commuter students out there, your favorite place on campus will be the Gallagher Student Center! This is pretty much at the center of campus and is a commuter’s best resource. In Gallagher, there are lockers available for your books, bags, jackets, etc. so you don’t have to take everything to class with you. You will also find computers to use: either laptops from the front desk of Gallagher or the computer lab. Gallagher also provides food options, including Subway, Blue Gibbon, and Ryan’s Pub. Commuters can also buy the Commuter meal plan which includes 45 block meals and $250 in board points. Visit www.dineoncampus.com/xu for more information on meal plans.

Commuter students must purchase a parking pass to be able to park on campus. Parking passes are available from Campus Police, located in Flynn Hall on Herald Avenue. Commuter passes are $100 for the entire year and entitle students to park in any of the commuter parking lots. For more information on parking, visit http://www.xavier.edu/xucp/parking

Commuter Services hosts a number of events for commuters such as dinners and short trips. This is a great way to connect with other commuters. To get more information about Commuter Services, check out the website at www.xavier.edu/commuter.

I really encourage commuter students to get involved on campus. Being involved in clubs, activities, and sports is the fastest and most effective way to meet other XU students (well, besides Manresa). It will also ensure that you are making the most of your college experience.

Resident Students
For residents students, living on campus can be one of the most enjoyable and memorable aspects of life at Xavier. More than 2,000 students live on campus in residence halls. Numerous students also enjoy living off campus in the surrounding neighborhoods, many of which are serviced by our student shuttle buses. Fall housing information usually arrives in mid-summer. If you haven’t yet, it would be wise to contact your roommate(s) to figure out who is bringing what (i.e. TV, carpet, refrigerator, microwave, etc.). You should be getting a list of those things in the mail, or you can visit the residence life website at http://www.xavier.edu/reslife. This might also be a great time to discuss your expectations of one another and set any preliminary rules or boundaries.

First-year students may have cars on campus. Resident students who wish to bring a car to campus must purchase a parking pass. Parking passes are available from Campus Police, located in Flynn Hall on Herald Avenue. Resident passes are $120 for the entire year and entitle students to park in any of the resident parking lots. For more information on parking, visit http://www.xavier.edu/xucp/parking.cfm.
Please call us at (513) 745-3662 or email us at Manresa@xavier.edu with any questions. We look forward to meeting you soon!

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