To the parents and guardians of first-year Yale College students,

My colleagues and I in the Yale College Dean’s Office are looking forward to welcoming the Class of 2022 to campus on Friday, August 24, the official move-in day, and we hope that we will have the chance to say hello to you, too, if you plan to be here then. In the meantime, let me give you some information about move-in.

Arriving

Plan to arrive in the morning if you can, between 9:00 a.m. and noon, so that you can participate in the afternoon events, beginning with the Information Fair on Cross Campus, from 12-2 p.m. Move-in does not begin until 9 a.m., and arriving earlier means that you will have to wait. If you are unable to arrive in the morning, move-in will continue until 7:00 p.m. Students who will be arriving after 7:00 p.m. should write to or call their residential college dean ahead of time.

Drop-off and parking

If you will be traveling by car, please read the Transportation and Travel directions for instructions on unloading your car and parking. Yale Police officers will be in the area to direct traffic, and representatives from each residential college will meet you at the designated spot to help you unload and carry items. Once you have unloaded your car, move it as quickly as possible so that the next car can unload. Please see the instructions for unloading your car and where to park for free on the Transportation and Travel section of the first-year website.

Keys and identification cards

Room keys and IDs will be available beginning at 9 a.m., but not before. Students living on the Old Campus may pick up their ID cards and room keys in the center area of Old Campus, in front of Dwight Hall. Students in Timothy Dwight, Benjamin Franklin, Pauli Murray, and Silliman Colleges may pick up their ID cards and room keys in their college courtyard. Parents or guardians of students attending the FOOT program (FOOT students return to campus at noon) may pick up room keys and ID cards beginning at 9 a.m. Students in shared bedrooms should wait until everyone has arrived before choosing beds.

Health Holds

Students who are on health hold should go directly to Yale Health Center, at 55 Locke Street, to get health hold clearance or an extension before they pick up their ID card and key.
**Property insurance**

Students are encouraged to obtain personal property insurance to protect against loss of or damage to their belongings. If you do not carry other insurance, Yale has arranged for an insurance program for students. For more information, please visit the [Office of the General Counsel website](#).

**What to bring**

Finally, if you are wondering what to bring (or not to bring) to campus, please review the [Moving In section](#) of the first-year website.

**Events for you**

If you will be in New Haven on move-in weekend, I hope that you will come to the events designed especially for parents and guardians; you will find information about them in the [Calendar for the Opening Days of College](#). I particularly encourage you to attend the panel discussion about undergraduate education and the residential colleges, the colleges' open houses, the Yale College Opening Assembly, the president’s reception, and the complimentary lunches in the residential colleges. Review the [Orientation section](#) of the first-year website for more events for families and the virtual welcome bag.

Please note that the Yale College Opening Assembly on Saturday morning is held in Woolsey Hall, which is not air-conditioned. No backpacks, luggage or bags larger than a 12x12 purse will be allowed in the hall, and all bags are subject to inspection.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please email [first-year.affairs@yale.edu](mailto:first-year.affairs@yale.edu), or call the Yale College Dean's Office, at (203) 432-2907.

With best wishes from New Haven,

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