## **Advice to Students**

- 1 Leave time during the summer to be with friends—to say goodbye.
- **2** Fill out roommate and housing questionnaires carefully. Open and answer all mail from your college.
- **3** Bring part of home with you—pictures of friends and family, yearbook, posters.
- 4 Get to know physical environment of campus and campus services.
- Seek out faculty members and your advisor. Take advantage of office hours.
- Remember, being independent doesn't mean you have to do everything yourself. Seek help when you need it.
- **7** Explore academic options. Most college freshmen do not know what they want to major in. Most will change ideas about majors; not to know is normal.
- **8** Remember, new friends can't immediately fill the gap left by separation from long-standing friendships.
- **9** Get involved in at least one campus activity first semester.
- **10** Make time in your schedule for exercise, sleep, and "sit-down" meals.

Additional information can be found in Letting Go: A Parents' Guide to Understanding the College Years by Karen Levin Coburn and Madge Lawrence Treeger (paperback, \$14.99, 9780061665738).

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