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Hello future Antiochian!

I am Alyssa Johnstone, the Assistant Director of Student Success and Academic Resources. Although August is still a month away, we are very eager to welcome you into our community! This email is to provide resources as well as the orientation Google calendar that you will have access to view.



Student Support: Here on campus, we aim to provide support for the academic, community, and personal wellness aspects of your time here.

1. Academic Support: During your time at Antioch, you may find use in utilizing one of our academic support systems, such as peer tutoring, student success events, or recurring meetings with myself. For more information about these resources, please see our webpage for the [Center for Academic Support Services \(CASS\)](#).
2. Community Support: Entering a new community can come with a set of unique challenges, and although the experience of entering college brings a lot of opportunities for personal growth, it is also important to acknowledge the potential for obstacles. Luckily, there are supports in place to help you navigate this exciting transition. Our [Residence Life](#) team, including professional staff and our fantastic team of RAs, are available to help you throughout your Antioch experience. Members of this team are the perfect first-step to reach out to when you need to be connected to campus resources, but aren't exactly sure who to reach out to or how to receive support.
3. Personal Wellness: We have many programs that seek to provide support through difficult times and help students flourish. Surrounding our campus, there are plenty of [local medical resources](#) for students. Additionally, [counseling services](#) staff are located in Pennell House and offer inclusive and holistic ways to heal and grow. If you ever want to spend some time increasing physical activity, we have our spectacular [Wellness Center](#) full of various amenities and activities for students to prioritize their wellness.

Accommodations: At Antioch, accommodations are generally divided into two categories, academic accommodations, which are done with the goal of making the classroom an accessible space through addressing specific student needs, or housing accommodations, which are made for ensuring students can be safe, comfortable, and successful in the campus living environment. This includes requests for emotional support animals (ESAs). If you would like to discuss the possibility of receiving accommodations or additional resources, please reach out to myself, Alyssa Johnstone, utilizing the contact information listed in my signature. If you would like to begin the process of receiving accommodations, please feel free to fill out [this form](#).

Student Billing/Accounts and Financial Aid: On campus, there are two main folks you'll be working with when it comes to finances. The first, who you may have already heard from in the application process is [Alina Olson](#). Alina is our Director of Financial Aid, and is the person to talk to for questions about your scholarship, overall costs, and loan distribution. For more information, see the [cost and financial aid webpage](#). On the other hand, for questions about accounts, paying bills, or student health insurance, you'll want to reach out to [Paige Babb](#) in the student billing office. If you have a question about finances but

aren't completely sure who to reach out to, feel free to reach out to either of these folks and they will be happy to help you out or get you connected to the right person.

Orientation will start on **Sunday, August 24th** the same day as new student move-in. For the orientation schedule you will be provided a paper copy the day of orientation in your folders. The best option is to follow this link to the [New Student Orientation Schedule](#) and add it to your Google Calendar by following these steps:

1. Click on the link above
2. Hit Add Calendar
3. When looking at your calendars on the side check mark New Student Orientation
4. This will now allow you to see the events for New Student Orientation

In the meantime, if you have any questions, concerns, or just need someone to process this information with, please don't hesitate to reach out to me! Thank you again for keeping an eye on your inbox, and we're looking forward to meeting you when you arrive in Yellow Springs in August!

Best wishes,

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