Dear New Students:

In just a few short weeks, you will arrive at Amherst College. In preparation for your arrival, please review the information below and complete the outlined tasks:

1. **Pre-Orientation Responsibilities**
   
   - **3 Online Courses:** All new students are expected to complete the AlcoholEdu and Prescription Drug and Sexual Assault Prevention Courses, which were emailed to you with instructions. The due date was August 1st; if you have not completed these, please do so shortly.
   
   - **Student Stories on Social and Academic Life:** Next week, you will receive an email containing letters from current students and recent alumni. You will need to read these letters and complete a brief reflection before coming to Orientation.
   
   - **The Hub:** Log in today to activate your login using your email credentials! Use it to browse over 100 Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) and learn about upcoming campus-wide events. It will be used throughout Orientation. [Click here](#) for a detailed instructions on how to use The Hub.
   
   - **Resource Videos:** Please watch these [helpful videos](#), which will assist you in your transition to campus life and feature a variety of offices and resources available to you.

2. **DeMott Summer Reading:** The 2019 DeMott Summer Reading is Pachinko by Min Jin Lee, who will be a visiting professor this year. Please read the book before the DeMott Lecture on September 1st.

3. **Draft Orientation Schedule and Move-In Day Information:** The draft Orientation Schedule is now available [on our website](#). We also invite all students to access the Orientation schedule online by signing into [The Hub](#) with your Amherst login or on your mobile phone by downloading the [Corq App](#).

Plan to arrive on campus on **August 27, 2019** during your designated time block (below), based on the floor of your housing assignment:

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.: Fourth floors of all halls
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.: Third floors of all halls
- 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.: Second & First floors of all halls
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Basement of all halls and late arrivals

All students will begin their move-in process from the South Parking Lot by the tennis courts and be directed toward your Hall after checking in. Note that once you reach your Hall you will not be allowed to
park your car near your residence hall. Instead, fellow students will quickly unload your car and carry your personal items to your room. Your vehicle will then need to be moved to a designated parking location. Shuttle services around campus will be running throughout the day. Since students and staff will help you move your things from your car to your residential hall, we ask that you clearly label all belongings with your name, building, and room number.

4. **Family Interviews:** We are offering the opportunity to record an interview with family members on Move-In Day. This is a moment for you to mark the transition to college by sharing memories of the past and expectations for the future. For further information and to sign up for an interview, [click here](#).

All new students will be able to participate in a class photo on the first day of orientation. Everyone will receive a digital image; you may also order a print copy online at [panfoto.com](http://panfoto.com).

We look forward to welcoming you on August 27, 2019.

Best wishes,
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