# Student Involvement & Living on Campus

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#### Reasons To Get Involved

#### Sav's Top 3 Reasons

- 1. Find a Sense of Belonging
- 2. Build Relationships
- 3. Develop Skills for the Future

#### Aaron's Top 3 Reasons

- 1. Get Out of Your Comfort Zone
- 2. Learn About Yourself
- 3. Have Fun!

# How does living on campus help me get involved?

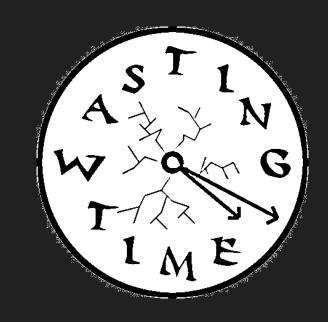
# **Considering Commuting?**

- Finances, family commitments, or additional jobs prevent some students from living on campus, however it doesn't mean they can't have a full college experience.
- O You can still get involved from a distance as a commuter.
- Make connections in your classes and around campus during the day.



#### #10 Convenience

- O Saves you money and time!
- Many things are within walking distance
- O You get more sleep
- Easier access to facilities and activities



#### #9 No Hidden Costs – It's All-Inclusive!

- Room and Board covers everything!
- Includes laundry (some places), electric, common area cleaning, internet, cable, and security



# #8 Close to Everything

- O Again, you can walk to everything!
- Classes, the library, computer labs, activities, sporting events, recreational centers, study group, professors, friends...
- Easy access to food!



# **#7 Safety and Security**

- Priority on all college campuses
- Many buildings require card or key access
- University Police or campus security are available 24/7
- Emergency stations
- Staff is always available



# #6 Support

- O Roommate, floor & hall mates, Resident Assistants, and professional staff
- Friends
- Campus resources (i.e. Career Services, Counseling Services, Health Center, Tutoring Center, Business Office, Financial Aid, Student Life Offices)



# #5 Connection

- Activities Fairs
- Clubs and organizations to get involved with
- Intramurals
- Campus Events
- More connection with school spirit and athletics



# #4 Independence

- Living away from your parents and family
- O Figure out who you are
- You will make mistakes
- O You will be treated as an adult
- You are responsible for yourself



# #3 Academic Success

- Increased satisfaction with college experience
- O Typically earn better grades living on campus
- More likely to graduate from college



#### #2 Fun!

- Most of college is spent outside of the classroom
- Take advantage of all that college has to offer



# #1 The Total College Experience

- Valuable learning experience
- Where else can you eat, sleep, live, study, take classes, make friends, go to events, and broaden your horizons all in the same place?



# Questions?

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Ask anyone from the institution you are looking at about the different housing options and level of involvement the average student takes on.