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Olivia Flint '21 during move-in last year: "Everyone is very welcoming here – and they're peppy and very well organized," Flint said. "Having their help has meant a lot to me. It makes this big transition much easier."

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There are few things as exciting as moving away from home and being on your own – or as stressful! Luckily, RWU designed a process to make it easy for students and their families. Here's what you need to know.

RWU Move-In officially kicks off Friday, August 24 for first-year students. About 1,100 new Hawks will be arriving to settle in their new home over a two-day span: Friday, August 24 from noon to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 25 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

By Monday evening, close to 3,000 students are expected to have moved into the eight university residence halls.

First Year Move-in Process

First year families should use the North Campus entrance and temporarily park in Lot D, which is the first left after entering. See [Parking map](#) for reference. From there students and families should head down to the Campus Recreation Center (16 on Parking Map), where students will complete the check-in process on their own while families learn about campus resources. Volunteers of students and staff will be on-site to check students in.



RWU Campus Recreation Center.

After the check-in process is complete, students and families will be directed to their assigned residence halls. Public Safety and staff will help direct traffic and parking.

First year residence halls are Cedar Hall (number 4 on Campus Map Key; see link below), Maple Hall (number 3), Willow Hall (number 5), and Stonewall Terrace (number 24). See campus [Campus Map](#) for reference.



RWU has four first year residence halls: Cedar Hall, top left; Maple Hall, top right; Willow Hall, bottom left; and Stonewall, bottom right.

At each residence hall, RWU's move-in crew, comprised of student leaders and athletes, will greet and assist students in the move-in process. Labels with students' name and room number should be attached to all luggage to ensure that suitcases go to the right place.

The unloading process will be fast, about five to 10 minutes, says Tony Montefusco, associate dean of Student Life and director of Residence Life and Housing. Families are often surprised at how fast and efficient it is, he says. "It is a whirlwind."



Last year's move-in crew helping first year families unload luggage on the basketball court of Cedar Hall.

Please note, a family member must stay with the vehicle at all times while the vehicle is unloaded. Once all belongings are unloaded, all vehicles must be moved to one of the auxiliary parking lots: A, C or H.

After that, all that's left is the hard part: Saying goodbye.

Returning Student Move-in Process

Returning students are expected to move back in Monday, August 27 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a small number of students who've received exceptions to move in Sunday, August 26.

Returning students should proceed directly to their assigned dorms. On arrival, they will check in and move luggage into their dorm. Parking will be available in Lots D and C after luggage has been moved. See [Parking Map](#) for reference.

Information for Commuters

Commuter students will check in at the Campus Recreation Center Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and then enjoy a reception at the D'Angelo Common hosted by Commuters in Action (CIA), RWU's commuter student group. At 3:30 p.m. there will be a commuter welcome meeting in room 157 of the Feinstein College of Arts and Sciences building.

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