So we'll go ahead and get started. I notice the Q and A component. The questions are coming in a little bit. Som we're gonna go ahead and start with the presentation and there'll be a break at some point, to answer some questions, we'll have about 45 minutes with each other. Some of it will be very quick. We'll talk a little bit about the exciting opportunities at Suffolk University and go over a very, very high level overview as you're still making a decision around where to attend, or what what to do. And so we're really excited about showing you a little bit about Suffolk and what we can offer. And then also, we'll have some time for students to be able to answer some questions that you may have. So, we'll be happy to direct those questions to Turner and Gavin that are here too. And, I will have them introduce themselves a little bit later and we'll get through the boring parts of the presentation first, in order to get to exciting parts with Gavin and Turner at the end. So, here at Residence Life and Housing Services, we're really excited that you're taking part of this webinar for incoming students and families of people that are accepted to Suffolk University. We're really excited that you're taking part of this and getting to know us a little bit more. When you live at Suffolk University, you're really living right downtown, right? You're in the right in the thick of it, right in the middle of the city. When we say, downtown is our campus. That literally means that you step outside and you are exposed to the downtown life. And you're part of an experience, which is part of a very cosmopolitan, large city experience, where students are growing up much faster than they would anywhere else. You walk out of your residence halls and you're walking into the financial district, or in the Nathaniel Hall, or North End, or Washington Street, or downtown crossing and steps away from a T-stops, or parks. Major parks, or historical locations where revolutions happened. This is the major opportunity that you would have at Suffolk University, because being on campus means that, you're part of a vibrant community. And we can't wait for you to experience
that when you are here at Suffolk.
One really interesting question
that we're continuously getting is,
when will I be able to start my housing application?
The housing portal opens for all new students,
starting May 19th, 2022.
So, do not rush on anything,
if you've already made your deposit,
you do not have to do anything else.
All you have to do is wait until May 9th, 2022,
and you'll get an email saying
"It is time for you to start filling out
your housing application".
And then on June 2nd, housing applications,
housing assignments will come out
and you will know where you will be living.
You will be living in one of the three residence halls
oh, before you do that,
in the housing application,
you will not be able to predict which building
that you want to live in.
However, you can select room types.
So, you can select either a single, double,
triple, quad, five person room,
six person room and eight person room.
And you can pick roommates
to be part of those groups of people.
So if you were in a four person group,
you can select a quad as your first priority,
so that you can all be placed in a quad together.
One cool thing is that we match people based on,
their personality,
or how they answer their housing application questions.
Are you clean?
Are you not clean?
Are you an early riser?
Are you a sleep in person?
do you mostly do your work at night?
Do you need a quiet room to study,
or do you like activities happening?
do you like overnight people to come and visit you often?
Or do you like your own space?
Tons of questions that people have to answer
and what we start to do is pair people up based on that.
You do not have to have a roommate group.
You can go at it individually
and we can pair you up with somebody,
that answers a question similarly to you.
Or, you can select somebody that you really
are connecting with and you can get into small groups,
and select rooms together as well.
Or actually we will select the rooms for you,
in those tiny little groups as well.
If you are looking for a single room, notice that little one is there, for single room types. You, would wanna go through the Office of Disability Services and fill out a housing accommodation form. And if you go just type in Google Suffolk University ODS, or Office of Disability Services, you'll get to their page, click on the page of accommodations and there'll be a form for housing accommodations and you can click on that and somebody from the Office of Disability Services will reach out to you and talk to you about that as well.

First and foremost, Smith Hall. This is one of the buildings at first year students can be assigned to. 455 students live here and almost all first year students and transfer students will be living in this building. We have singles, doubles and quads in this building, and I'll go over that a little bit more. Very, active building, community style living as well as suite style living. The community style usually means that your door opens up and goes into a hallway and then there's a large restroom that a lot of the community shares. You have a lot of interaction in the building. And RA's do a wonderful job of creating programs, you walk away from this building knowing about two to 300 students, almost within the first month, because your common interactions. There's also a dining hall in the first floor. So, there's a lot of interaction with a lot of students. If you're looking to be really great friends with a lot of people in the community, Smith Hall is a really, really great place for you. Secondly, Nathan R. Miller Hall, or commonly known as Miller Hall, home of 331st year students, also are community for honors living, learning community and leadership living community. A lot of common questions that we've been getting about "Can honor students, do they have to live in Miller Hall"? No, the honors living learning community, is the opt in community. So, if you are interested in being part of the honors living, learning community, you will be assigned to Miller Hall, but honors students do not need to sign up for the honors living, learning community. Other than that, the entire building is suite style residence hall.
So, what that usually means is that two students, two rooms are connected with a bathroom in the middle. So you're sharing a bathroom with four people, or sometimes three, or sometimes three as well, if there's a single on one side. Again, 331st year students, it's a very active building as well. This is one of the closest buildings to our campus classroom buildings. And so it's a very active and a very communal feeling, because a lot of students are taking classes and walking into classes together. And it's a very, very close community of 330 residents. Again but not least, One Court Street building, it's the newest building that just opened up in fall 2020, formerly the Aims hotel, but then renovated into One Court Street or Residence Hall, home of 299 first year students. This is entire, each room has their own bathroom, because it was a hotel renovated into a residence hall, very active communities. These are where you find some of the larger rooms, like five person, six person, eight person rooms too and it's a really interesting community. A lot of students are really, really excited about what being in here because it's, one it's new and exciting, but it's the neighborhood is, you're right in the middle of right across the street from Nathanial Hall, right down the street from Washington Street, right across the street from the Old State House. A lot of historical locations, are right around this building. A very beautiful masonry building, coming outta the entrance. So, we're really excited about what this building offers as well. Going back to the room assignments. Here are the room types that are available, this the same slide from earlier, single, double, triple, quad, five, six, eight. So in your application, you will have a chance to rank, one, two, three, four, five, six, eight in a ranking order. Smith Hall has singles, doubles, triples and quads, Miller Hall singles, doubles and quads. And One Court Street has two,
three, four, five, six and eight person rooms. If you notice, five person rooms and six person rooms, and eight person rooms only exist in One Court Street. So if you know that you want it to be in One Court Street, one way to guarantee that, is to sign up for the five person, six person, or eight person rooms. So if you and your seven other friends wanna get into the eight person room, that's one guaranteed way, that you might be able to get assigned to One Court Street. A lot of people say, "Hey, how can I guarantee "to get into One Court Street?" Well, yes, if you sign up for the five, six, or eight person room, that doesn't exist anywhere else. So that's one way to guarantee your space. So, lemme talk and you feel free to keep throwing in the questions about any of the housing information. But, because the fact that our time is limited, I wanna toss this over to our students. I'm gonna have our students introduce themselves, of where they live and where they're gonna be working next year and all those other kind of things. So, I will toss it over to Turner. Hey guys, my name's Turner Mitchell. I'm a sophomore RA in Miller right now, and I'm currently, on the 12th and 13th floor. And then Gavin. Hey guys, my name's Gavin. I'm a junior RA. I live in and Miller right now. I'm on the fourth and fifth floor and next year I'm gonna be working in Smith Hall. Excellent. So, I see some questions coming in. I don't know if they're meant for students. "Does it cost more, or less to live on campus?" I'm not 100% sure what that's in comparison to, but if it's comparison to living on campus, or off campus, usually it comes out to be about the same amount of cost, depending on where you're living. If you're living all by yourself in a high rise, luxury apartment with a doorman, then yes, it's gonna be more expensive to live off campus. But, if you live in a four bedroom with three other friends off campus in a North End apartment, it usually comes out to be the same amount of price, if not sometimes cheaper to live off campus, but keep in mind that it is usually a 12 month lease, rather than a six month, a nine month lease,
like an academic contract would be.

"If I pay the deposit"

Dimitra, are you going to be navigating the questions, or do you want me to just read the questions and just answer the questions over and over, over?

I can navigate the questions, so I can type some of the responses and then if there's a question, I dunno the answer to, we can save it for the end and I can read them off to you if that works?

Okay.

So, I have some questions for Turner and Gavin.

What's your experience like at Suffolk University?

What's your favorite parts of living on campus, or being part of the campus community?

So, my favorite part of being on campus is how connected you are to everything within the city.

Last year, my freshman year, like a lot of other people, I was a commuter.

So I commuted about 45-ish minutes from my house to Boston. So, one of the great things when I was a commuter was, being able to go to the third floor lounge and the commuter lounge and all that stuff, and really meeting everybody and really being a big part of the community in that sense.

Another big thing, if you are on campus, is how can I do (indistinct) with the city? Kinda like I mentioned before. You have pretty much everything at your fingertips. You can grab whatever food you want. You can go to whatever fun spots you'd like to. And there's really a bunch of opportunities that not a lot of other campuses offer, other than Suffolk.

Yeah, sorry, going off that a little bit Turner covered the same things I was gonna talk about. Just the community aspect of living on campus is awesome. In the dorms, you get to meet so many different kinds of people in the dorms and especially if you go to RA events, like the ones we throw, you get to meet a lot of people, which is a really fun experience.

And then yeah, being so connected to the community. I mean, the Fenway is right down, you just take the green line down to it and the Boston Marathon was just the other day. So, there's so many things in the community that happen that's just outside your front door, which is just incredible, I think.

Okay.

What's been one of your favorite memories on campus so far? For me, I think it's just being on campus in general. It's kind of vague, but I was a commuter my freshman year,
so it was really nice to just get on campus,
kind of experienced the whole city life
and everything that entails,
just because there's so much to do.
There's a lot of opportunities to get an internship.
There's a lot of opportunities to get out
and meet new people.
You can go to other colleges, other campuses,
all that kind of stuff.
So, one of the greatest things that I enjoy is,
just holistically how much you can really do,
and really,
envelope yourself within a community,
as you'd like it.
Yeah, one of the best things I've done so far,
or one of the things I think that led me
to all the great things that I've done,
is just becoming an RA
and getting involved on campus as much as I have.
I don't think if I didn't do those things,
I don't think I would be where I am today.
So, putting myself out there in different ways
definitely has just opened me up to so many opportunities
on and off campus.
Speaking of that,
what can you tell me a little bit more,
about why you applied to be an RA?
I applied to be an RA because,
I wanted to get involved in the community.
One of the big things that Suffolk tries to
instill, is that each person has their own way
and each person has a different fit to someone else.
No matter what college, or campus you decide to go to.
If you're wanting to go the more administrative way,
then you might become an RA, or a TA,
or something like that.
Or, if you wanna get involved in like diversity,
inclusion, racial justice, stuff like that,
you can visit a bunch of other clubs.
There's a lot of different sports clubs,
all that kind of stuff.
So, one of the big reasons I became an RA in particular,
was just the connections you can make with other people
and the massive impact you can have on
a bunch of different people.
So, I actually came in as a transfer student to Suffolk
and so that was something that was really important to me,
was getting involved on campus.
I didn't get to be here as a freshman,
so I didn't get to make these different connections,
or different friendship with people.
So coming in and taking that step
and getting involved as an RA opens you up
to so many opportunities again, 
on and off campus, like I said before, 
but that was one of the main reasons I chose to be an RA. 
Okay. 
So, what are your favorite things to do in Boston? 
Outside of eating. 
Or maybe eating. 
I mean, eating's definitely a big thing. 
There's so much to do there. 
There's so much food to eat. 
The freshman 15 is real. 
One of the big things that I enjoy doing, 
in the middle of the city is just exploring. 
One of the greatest things about Boston is 
that it's so darn old and it's not like blocked off, 
like Chicago, or New York City or something. 
So, you can take like a random street 
and it'll leads you to some crazy place, 
you never thought you'd see in your life. 
But, if you wanna go to like different places, 
like the Esplanade, the Charles River, 
Cambridge, all that kind of stuff, 
you can take a trip with a lot of people. 
And, I think, just in general, 
exploring is a big part of it, 
just because the campus is so old, 
or like the city is so old 
and there's just so much access 
to be able to do what you'd like. 
Yeah, I love going, 
I love getting on the T. 
I love riding the T, for some reason 
and just going all over the city, 
you can go so far so quickly on it. 
And I gotta say, 
I think one of my favorite things to do in the city 
is to go see the Red Sox play. 
I always have a good time going to do that 
and just going to any big events going on, 
like the marathon, like I said, 
it was just the other day. 
So, going to see things like that, 
and like over in Austin, there was the new balance facility 
and Team USA actually just ran there 
and broke a world record. 
So, going and doing things like that, 
just random oddball events has gotta be 
one of my favorite things to do. 
Gavin, there seems to be a lot of transfer students 
in this webinar as well. 
What made you choose Suffolk University 
as a institution to come to, 
when you were deciding where to transfer to? 
Yeah, so my last school, I wasn't a big fan of it,
mainly because I grew up in a very small town and where I went to school was also a very small town. And so kind of felt almost like 13th grade, a little bit. Kind of didn't really feel like I had left and gone to college yet. And so, Suffolk being located in the heart of Boston, I mean, we're in the center of the city was a big draw for me, definitely. Being a part like being so close to all four of the major T stops and getting on each of the lines and being right next to Nathanial Hall and all that, it was, the location definitely was a big draw for me as a transfer at least. That was one of the biggest reasons that I wanted to come here.

And Turner, I'm sure you had tons of choices for attending Suffolk University. What made you choose Suffolk as well? Suffolk, for me, one of the big draws for, was first of all, the athletics being a part of the track and field team, but another one of it was, just how inviting the campus was. They kinda mold your experience to how you want. Like, I don't necessarily view myself as trying to live someone else's life, or trying to live a certain like expectation that like some brand or institution sets. I think it's important for me, to be able to set the standard that I want to have my own experience in college and Suffolk is a really great campus to do that, just because of all the opportunities and the community and culture that it's built upon here. There were some questions coming in about pricing and so let me just unilaterally answer that question. If the single, the single is the most expensive room and the eight person is the cheapest room, in the sense of pricing goes. So, the more students you have in your room, the less expensive it is, and the less students that you have in your room, the more expensive it is. So that's just, there's several questions around pricing, so I just wanted to make sure that I answer that question and we can dismiss all the questions around pricing. What, so I'm trying to, there was some questions about, what do the RAs get as benefits of being an RA? Can you explain that a little bit? Listen Gavin, if you wanna answer that question? Yeah, so as an RA, we get our own single room, like here in Miller,
we're connected through a suite to another room, but we get our own single, which is nice. So we don't have any roommates and then we get also a meal plan also. So, we can go to the dining halls just like everyone else and tap our card and get all the meals we want over there, which is really nice.

Yeah, I think that, it's nice because there's a lot of amenities that are provided to you by the school and they really try to make you feel at home, like as an RA. So it's, they're receptive to feedback. Like we had a meal plan change, this past semester. So, very receptive, very looking forward to getting feedback and receiving that well. But at the same time, we do have a job to uphold. So it's like, I'm making sure that that's a mutual agreement between the two. So let me scan through some questions for the students. "Are there any tips for getting around the city for someone who might not be able to use, might not used to be using public transportation?"

Okay, actually I have one for this. My, first year here, my RA actually showed me this. There's an app called City Mapper. I don't know if you can see it on my phone there. It shows you every piece of public transportation in the entire city, 'cause I was so lost when I came here, I had no idea how to get around. And within a few weeks of having this, I have the whole place mapped out now. So City Mapper, if you get it on your phone, it shows you all the bus routes, the T routes, which is the subway. All of the bikes, all the blue bikes all over the city that you can rent. So, that's a very, very helpful resource.

If you wanna know how to get around and commute the city well. Yeah, I think it's also nice because, Boston has a bajillion different landmarks. Like you have different specific graveyards, or like random stuff like that. You have like different spots, of like different res halls, you can point to like as landmarks, or like the State House, or something like that.

So, if you are allergic to technology, then you can use more like,
22:09 navigational signs,
22:10 but it's like, it's pretty easy,
22:12 once you take the same path couple of times in Boston,
22:15 to know where you're going
22:16 and kind of flush it out from there.
22:19 So, yeah.
22:21 So what are the items that are included in a room,
22:25 typical room?
22:27 So, typically in Miller,
22:31 I can't speak for other res halls,
22:33 but I assume it's relative the same.
22:35 Everything pretty much wooden is assigned to you.
22:39 So, you get this desk that this computer's resting on,
22:42 you get a bed frame with a mattress,
22:46 you get a dresser, you get like a bigger dresser
22:50 and you get like a little,
22:52 I don't know what it's called.
22:55 Little, space covered thing.
22:56 So you get all that, you get blinds.
23:00 So it's a really,
23:06 it's nice, because it definitely opens
23:08 the room up a little bit,
23:09 but it also gives you enough space
23:11 to be able to have whatever you need in it.
23:16 Yeah, I was gonna say, going off that,
23:17 it has everything that you would need coming in,
23:20 but it leaves a lot of space for like customization
23:22 for your room.
23:23 I don't know if you can see,
23:24 I have like Christmas lights hanging
23:27 and I have just posters all over my room.
23:28 I've done a lot to it so,
23:30 it comes with everything you need
23:32 and then it leaves tons and tons of room
23:34 for you to just make it your own
23:35 and make it very you, which is nice.
23:55 I think you're muted (indistinct)
23:59 Sorry about that, of course I'm muted.
24:02 It was really cool to see that on the chat,
24:04 there was a lot of people saying,
24:05 that people have downloaded the City Mapper app.
24:09 So what you put in the world is being received,
24:12 very well, so thank you so much.
24:16 There was a couple questions that came through about
24:20 how do I apply to be an RA?
24:22 And every year we open the RA application
24:25 in spring semester.
24:27 So, and then we select RAs for the following year.
24:30 There is no requirement to live on campus to apply,
24:33 but it definitely helps to understand the knowledge
24:36 of what communities are in the residence halls.
24:39 However, you do not have to have lived on campus,
24:42 but you have had to have attended Suffolk University,
24:47 before you can apply.
24:49 So, during your first year student, or freshman year,
24:51 you can apply to become an RA sophomore,
24:54 or sophomore to become a junior RA
24:56 and subsequently that way.
24:58 A lot of RAs, a lot of people will apply
25:00 during their first year.
25:01 Not very many people will get it their first year,
25:03 because there's tons of applications.
25:05 Just for context, we have about 120 applications this year
25:08 and only about 20 students became RAs.
25:11 So the chances are, it's a very tough process,
25:15 but, there are people that can apply and become RA's
25:18 after their first year,
25:20 Turner was one of them.
25:21 Turner became an RA and did not live on campus,
25:24 but became an RA after his first year as well.
25:27 So, let me try to see if,
25:28 "When's the official move-in date?"
25:30 So the move-in date can potentially vary,
25:33 depending on where you are actually calling in from.
25:37 But generically speaking,
25:39 September 3rd and fourth are gonna be,
25:41 or the Saturday and Sunday,
25:45 Friday and Saturday before Labor Day weekend
25:47 will be the move-in days.
25:50 I think it's the September three and fourth.
25:51 It could be September two and three, but it's Friday,
25:56 Those are your official move in days.
25:59 Students will be able to select their own move in time
26:02 and so they may select the second or the third,
26:04 depending on if it's a Friday or Saturday
26:06 and students, once they are assigned,
26:08 they'll get another up email saying,
26:10 now select your move in time
26:12 and you will be able to move in.
26:13 International students, however,
26:15 will be moving in on the 28th of August,
26:19 because of the fact that international students
26:21 have an international orientation on the 29th and 30th.
26:25 And so the international students will move in on the 28th.
26:28 If you are a student athlete,
26:30 needing to come in for early spring, or fall practice,
26:33 or summer practice,
26:35 there are times that students will move in
26:37 as early as August 18th or 19th,
26:42 because practice or spring or fall training starts earlier
26:45 than the school begins.
26:47 And sometimes even game schedules start before
26:49 the semester starts.
26:51 So there are different students moving in
26:54 at different pockets of times,
26:56 but generically speaking the Friday and Saturday
before Labor Day is the major move in day for everybody.

Okay, so there's tons of questions.

"If I'm doing the August orientation,

"but non international,

"can I still move in on the 28th?"

Yes, I believe all students that are registered

for the last orientation can still move in,

on the 28th and will just continue to just attend

their orientation at that time.

I'm trying to look through the questions

to see if there's any more questions for our students here.

Here's a good question for RAs.

"Can I use stick and peel wallpaper in the dorm rooms?"

I just got a question.

What do you say, RAs?

I'm pretty sure that's a no go.

I'm gonna go out on a limb on that one, but.

Yeah, I mean, if it sticks on a wall,

if it's just a little tiny patch, I think that's okay.

But if it's going onto an entire wall

and you're covering up an entire wall,

it's not that we're concerned about you peeling up the paint

or anything like that.

It just becomes a fire hazard.

Anytime there's kind of a piece of paper on the walls,

our walls are protected with fire code,

sort of layers of protection.

So we wanna just make sure that,

we do not break the rules around certain things like that.

I did get a question about microwaves and fridges.

Turner or Gavin, how many microwaves or fridges,

do you think people bring in?

Do almost every room have them,

or how does that come out to be usually?

Typically it's about one per room.

I mean maybe if you're in a big room,

maybe two or three, but really it's like,

you kinda only need like one or two.

You can and have one per person,

but it just kind of depends on your personal preferences.

We don't really see too many per room, per suite.

There was a question of,

"Can you be an RA for more than one year?"

Yes, you absolutely can be.

Absolutely.

You can be it for up to three.

So I got a question about Ram Academy

and those dates have not yet been announced.

So stay tuned.

You will find out more about that

during your orientation or once your May 1st

deadline passes, there'll be tons of information coming

as soon as you are officially a Suffolk student

and you get your Suffolk email address
and a tons of emails will start showing up in your Suffolk email address. So stay tuned on the Ram Academy information. There will, and there will also be tons of information of what you can and cannot bring. Please, don't start thinking about what you can and cannot bring just yet, because there will be a tons of lists that we will send out as far as things to pack, things, not to pack during move in day. And we will make sure that you have all that information out there.

I just got another question about what is Ram Academy? Ram Academy is information for students that wanna jumpstart their college career and come early a little bit and get involved in a lot of programs and activities and do a little sort of experience and meet some new people before school starts and, but there are tons of more information available about that. Once you're officially converted into a student and have your Suffolk email address as your official sign of a Suffolk University student.

I got a lot of questions still coming. I had a lot of questions coming in about honor student housing. So let me just clarify one more time about honors housing. Honor students in as a rule, can live anywhere. Well anywhere where first year students can be assigned. One Court Street, Miller Hall, or Smith Hall is anywhere they could be assigned, in any building and any room type, or anything like that. However, honor students can opt in, select in. They must select an option to live in the honors living, learning community. If they want that. They do not have to have that, but if they want that, they can sign up for it and they can be placed in the honors living, learning community, located in Miller Hall. A lot of questions have been coming in and be like, well, but I have a roommate that I wanna live in and they're definitely not in the honors program. Can I live together in the honors program? And if you sign up to live in the honors, living, learning community and cannot answer, if your roommate is not part of the honors program, then you definitely will not be able to pull them into that community because the honors living, learning community can only be for honors students. So those roommate matchings for will not work out, if one of you is in the honors community
and the other people, the other side is not.

So, please choose and have that conversation very wisely and make sure that you talk about the honors community as something that you wanna live in. And, when you're filling out the profile, you can fill out your profile to include, I am part of the honors program. I want to live with another honors person, and there is a narrative component that you can fill out for your housing application as well. Let me see if there's other questions in here. Gavin, and I can answer some questions that are in the chat if you want. That'll be great. I'm just trying to keep up with all the chats.

"How safe are" there's a good question. "How safe are the residents halls?" Gavin and Turner. And I mean, I have to put it out there, that probably Gavin and Turner have a little bit of a bias, because they're part of the people that help keep our residents halls safe. But, how safe do you think they are?

I think it's very safe. So, in each of the buildings at Suffolk, we have a security guard, especially in the residence halls, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. And when you come into any of the Suffolk buildings, your ID lets you tap in. So it means you have to be a Suffolk student and if you don't live in the residence hall, you have to be signed in by someone who lives there. So, as far as people coming in, it's very, very safe. And then you have RAs like me and Turner, who are always around, making sure if anything bad happens, we're helping you out and taking care of it. Can you talk a little bit about the guest policy, or guest sign in process maybe?

Yeah, so the guest policy you're allowed two guests, I think it's three nights in a row, or five nights in a month for overnights, but you can have them during daytime whenever you'd like, according to roommate agreement. That's something else that we saw a question with. Like if the roommate match isn't working out. So we have roommate agreements, where you decide with your chosen roommate, like what sort of amenities, like what sort of allowances you wanna have and that really plays into the guest policy as well. Like if you want guests at any certain time,
if you want guests to sleep over, whatever,
all that kind of stuff.
So, each individual student gets their own liberties
and freedoms to whatever they'd like to do.
So it's, varying.
It definitely molds to whatever lifestyle
you wanna live individually.
There was a question about people,
that don't have disabilities
that want to have a single room.
Unfortunately right now,
based on our elevated number of students that have
an accommodation need,
we are not allowing students to select a single on their own
unless they get very, lucky at the very end,
then we might be able to sort of squeeze somebody
into a single at the very end.
However, right now we make our way
to make sure that all of our students that need a single
for accommodation purposes
to get their single accommodation first
and then if there are any singles left after that,
we will assign them to students.
Usually we don't have any singles left after that process,
because usually even with the people
that have accommodation,
there's a long list of people waiting for accommodations
to be met as well.
So, Gavin and Turner, this question came in
and I'm assuming, I'm gonna add certain things
to the question here.
How do sports at Suffolk University work?
So, sports we play at a division three level.
So sports work pretty much as any other sports program,
or athletic program where we have trainers offices.
We have staff all the time.
We have a Ridgeway.
It's the Ridgeway building.
It's an entire building dedicated to athletic center.
There's a nonathletic weight room
and there's a varsity weight room upstairs.
So it all depends on whether you're into sports or not,
that's contingent on that.
But it's a very, intensive,
it's a very involved part of the community,
that a lot of students try to get involved in
as quickly as they can, once they learn about it.
There was something related to another sports.
They were talking about how, is East Boston
the only place where people can play sports,
or are there other locations that people can play,
participate in sports?
So East Boston is not the only place that it happens.
I think it's typically soccer, track,
baseball, I'm pretty sure, I think are the only ones that actually like formally practice at East Boston, but here's a bunch of different spots around. There's parks. There's different basketball courts. There's, a whole plethora of things to do and places to go in the middle of Boston. So you, you just gotta find the little nooks and crannies and you'll find some little niche thing within the city, but typically, yeah, in terms of like actual sports, like actual like turf for track sports, are played out East Boston on the Memorial field and then basketball is played in the basement of Ridgeway. There was a great question that came in. There are different, there are three different meal plan types that we offer. It's A, B and C meal plan types. And the only difference in A, B and C, is the amount of money that you have on your card. We do not have a meal plan that involves swipe cards. So for example, you can't go, we don't have a dining hall that you swipe and get in and all you care to eat. We have dining halls that are more like cafes, where you go in and order a cup of coffee and a donut, and you swipe $3.50 cents and walk out, because it's an declining balance meal plan on campus. So, when you get to C meal plan, it's approximately 1400 to $1,500 and it subsequently goes up by three to $400 higher. So the B meal plan might be $1,600 and C meal plan would be $1,800 a semester. The meal plan monies do transfer from fall to spring, but do not transfer from fall, I mean, from spring to fall. So, we recommend to always start with a smaller meal plan and then add on a little bit later, but don't start with a larger meal plan, unless you know that you are absolutely, you're gonna be eating all the time on campus. However, we always recommend start small and then work your way up to a larger meal plan. We are getting close to our end of our time here, but I think there's some time for a couple more questions. Let's see if there's any more questions. "The eight person rooms I heard that were really large suites with a living year area". So they're really large rooms and so you can create a living area and a sleeping area and separate them, and there's enough room to do that, but it's not sectioned off as a living area and a sleeping area or anything like that. There are eight person suites in Smiths Hall, but they're considered doubles, or triples,
or singles, depending on what rooms are inside the suites, because the larger Smiths Hall suites, are rooms that have a little living rooms, like what you’re talking about with this living room area. But there are several rooms attached to that, but those would be considered a double, or a triple, not an eight person suite. So, you can't go in and sign up and be in eight person group on that one. You are signing up as a double, or triple in those smaller suites. So "Is the weight room open for non-athletes?" Yes. Yeah. It's in the first floor, so right as you walk in, you'll see it. And "Can you change your meal plan at any time"? Yes. You can change your meal plan up at any given time, but you cannot decrease your meal plan, until after the time is over. So, until the first two weeks. So unfortunately you cannot decrease your meal plan. However, you will be able to talk about increasing your meal plan at any given time. Is there any other questions, that you can see that we haven't answered? (indistinct background chatter) Are there any other questions, that I haven't been able to answer for you? If not, I would allow like to conclude this webinar. There will be people saved, this webinar will be saved, so please make sure that you come back to the admissions website at some point, and we will be able to check out this webinar. If you need anything else, our email address at residence life, is res life R-E-S-L-I-F-E at suffolk.edu. And you will be able to, you can send us an email at any given time, and we will be able to happy to answer them as quickly as possible. Have I missed any last minute questions, that anybody can think of? There's a couple on the chat. I can answer one of them. The rules for decorating, you can find that in the Suffolk website for the actual, like little discrepancies, but it's typically just like fire hazard stuff. Virtual meeting spaces. There there's a library,
virtual meeting spaces.
I'm not exactly sure what you mean,
but typically it's just like a library,
you can reserve something there
and that's usually how it goes for that.
Otherwise, just set up a zoom or a link such as that.
Okay.
So, great.
Thank you so much for attending today's webinar
and have a wonderful night, everybody.
Goodbye.