

College Life Organizing Tips

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August is back to school month for our college student followers and their parents. This year, I have many relatives and friends that are embarking on their first adventure in the real world— college campus life. I had the opportunity to go away to college and I highly recommend it to anyone who can afford it. For the first time, I felt I was a 'grown-up' and could make my choices without the influence of my parents. It also made me feel like everything was new and exciting.

To all the parents and students out there, here are some of my favorite tips that I learned when I first embarked on the college life adventure.

1. Collect various useful tools and bring them with you. Tape, glue, hammer, screwdriver, nails, command strips, and other useful little items from your parent's tool room or buy a kit. You really do not know what you need until you are there, however, this will help you get by until you can get what you need. I remember, fondly, using my wooden shoe sole to hammer a nail in the wall my first year.
2. Get the checklist from your school. The school's website usually has a list of the recommended items you should have. Check off each item that you have purchased. Start shopping early, before caddies and other things are sold out.
3. Make sure you organize your first year class paperwork well. I remember referring to the previous year's paperwork at the beginning of my second year..
4. Be sure to have a well organized 2 page 8 1/2 x 11 weekly planner. One that has a place to write appointments, assignments, and information that needs to be at your figure tips. This will give you enough room to write everything you need.
5. The dollar stores are a wonderful place to find items for those snack time munches when the cafeteria is not open. Choose things like a snack bin, can openers, bottle openers, forks, knives, etc.. For 20 dollars, you can get many items that are useful for this purpose.

Above all else, be sure to purchase items that will last for an entire year or two, this will eliminate the extra expense each August. Enjoy your new adventure!

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Albert Einstein

Source: thinkexist.com/quotation

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