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You're here! I had a great time meeting lots of you at move-in and throughout the weekend at events!

It's time to follow your interests and find your people. First, think of all the stereotypes that come with the college experience. You know, everything that is highlighted in movies... drinking, parties, and pulling all-nighters. Got it? Good...now forget about them. One of the best parts of college life is that YOU get to decide what college looks like, who you spend your time with, and how you'll contribute to this campus.

Welcome Week will keep you busy and help you meet a ton of people, but it's not the only way to get connected to campus. You can find clubs and activities that meet your interests and identities using MyNDSU. Campus jobs are another great way to meet friends and mentors, while also making a little cash. Faculty and staff want to connect with you too. Introduce yourself and get to know them-everyone is here to help you thrive as a new student at NDSU.

Good luck as you begin classes and reach out at any time with questions and concerns!

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