

Julie's Uber-Complete College Dorm Packing List*

The Practical Mom's Guide to Outfitting Your Student for College: Dorm Life

BED STUFF

Sheets (Flannel too)
Mattress pad
Comforter
Blanket(s)
Pillows
Pillowcases
Pillow protectors
Lamp for next to bed

DESK STUFF

Stapler
Tape/dispenser
Mechanical pencils
Pens
Highlighters
Lamp
Jar for pens
Daily Calendar
Scissors
Ruler
Stickies
Push-pins
Paper clips
Drawer Organizer

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Paper
Notebooks/Binders
Folders
Hole punch
Crayons
Calculator
Backpack

DECORATIVE STUFF

Pictures/frames
Cards & Stamps
Candles
Stuffed Animals
Floor Lamp (if needed)
Trashcan (if needed)

Couch/futon
Rug

TECHNO STUFF

iPod
iPod charger
Computer
Computer cables
Ethernet cable
Mouse
Mouse pad
Camera
Camera computer plug-in
Batteries
Battery charger
DVD player
TV
Cell phone
Cell phone charger
DVDs
Printer?

BATHROOM STUFF

Shampoo (pool and room)
Conditioner
Face Wash
Body Wash
Shower Caddy
Face Cream
Razors
Shaving cream
Lotion
Hair ties
Toothpaste
Toothbrush(es)
Floss
Mouthwash
Flip-flops
Brush
Tweezers
Tampons
Nail clippers

Deodorant
 Hair straightener
 Blow dryer
 Contacts
 Contact solution
 Contact case(s)
 Glasses/case
 Hair ties
 Bathrobe
 Towels
 Hand/face towel
 Water bottle(s)
 Dixie cups/other cup

MAKE UP

Foundation
 Eye shadow
 Mascara
 Blush
 Nail polish
 Nail polish remover

MEDICINE

Aleve (naproxen)
 Ibuprofen
 Allergy medicine
 Tylenol PM
 Vitamins
 Cough med
 Cough drops
 Band-Aids
 Benadryl gel
 Antibiotic ointment
 Bug Spray
 Hand sanitizer (large)

BOOKS

Journals
 Reading Books

CLOTHES

Laundry Hamper
 Laundry Detergent
 Bleach (Bleach pen)
 Mini sewing kit
 Purses

Jewelry
 Shoes
 Jeans
 T-shirts
 Tank tops
 Skirts
 Dresses
 Underwear
 Bras
 Socks
 Shorts
 Bikini
 Sports bras
 Throw on t-shirts
 Pajamas
 Coats/sweatshirts/jackets
 Umbrella
 Boots
 Sunglasses
 Hats
 Mittens/gloves
 Scarves
 Shoe Hanger
 Laundry soap
 Bleach
 Clothespins (hanging laundry)
 Laundry Line
 Hangers
 Space Bags
 Mesh bags

KITCHEN

Mug
 Plates
 Forks/Knives/Spoons
 Paring Knife
 Small cutting board
 Bowls
 Microwave
 Plastic wrap or ziplocs
 Britta water filter

PERSONAL ITEMS

Wallet
 Checkbook
 Change bank

Medical Insurance card/copy of one
Copy of glasses/contact Rx

OTHER

Febreze (good for stinky dorm rooms)
Clorox Bleach Wipes
Paper Towels
Storage Bins/Containers
Extension Cords (cords with multiple
plug-ins)

If You Bring a Car

Tire pressure gauge
Jumper Cables
Windshield Wiper Fluid
Insurance info

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Looking for more information to help prepare your student for dorm life?

You can read in-depth articles from our Practical Mom series on
our website at www.justtherightthings.com.

The Practical Mom's Guide to Outfitting Your Student for College: Dorm Life
General tips and advice on what your student really needs for college.

The Comforts of Home in the Dorm

Information about what your student needs for bed, bath, kitchen.

Practical Storage Ideas and Assembling Health Kits for the Dorm

Information on storage and maximizing space in the dorm room plus everything
you need to assemble a complete health kit for your student.

Dorm Tech, Tools and Office Supplies

Answers about computers and other tech gear. Also, creating a useful tool and office
supply kit that will take your student through all the years of college.

*Got questions, comments or suggestions to add to the list? Email us!
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