Dear Entering Class of 2021,

We are so excited that you've all chosen to spend your next four years or more here at Pritzker on the South Side of Chicago! As your Orientation Co-Chairs, we are here to make sure you are prepared for the exciting events we have planned this year for Orientation. This year, Orientation begins the morning of Thursday, August 5, 2021, and concludes on Monday, August 9, 2021, with classes starting the following day.

This is the first of three mailings designed to smooth your transition into medical school. These mailings will include information on things like housing, classes, life at Pritzker, apparel, and hospital credentials. We encourage you to take the time to go through each mailing as there will be some tasks required of you all. You can also find the mailing materials on the orientation website: https://pritzker.uchicago.edu/page/mailings. While the mailings will have some action items, they should not be stressful. Please reach out to us if you have any concerns or need clarity on any tasks at our shared email: psmorientation2021@gmail.com, or individually at any of our emails below!

Here is an overview of what you will find in this mailing:

● A letter from Dean Polonsky introducing Dr. Vineet Arora as Pritzker's new Dean for Medical Education
● A note revealing the theme of Orientation 2021
● Information about our four Pritzker societies and a greeting from our MS24 Society Leaders—all of whom would love to answer your questions about medical school, housing, and much more!
● A housing flyer with helpful online resources and a link to the MS25 roommate finder Google document
● A letter from Student Disability Services
● A flyer detailing how the Pritzker student body has responded to the COVID-19 pandemic this past year, both through service and wellness
● A fun compilation of some really good book recommendations by the Pritzker Book Club - for your enjoyment and not required!
We are immensely excited to continue to get to know you! Facebook stalking just doesn’t cut it! You all are entering a phenomenal community that will have your backs throughout all the unknowns that come with medical school (and pandemics)! Enjoy the contents of this mailing and be on the lookout for all future ones coming your way! And please (please) feel free to reach out to us at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

Your 2021 Orientation Co-Chairs,
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