



Stanford University: Essay 1

“Virtually all of Stanford’s undergraduates live on campus. Write a note to your future roommate that reveals something about you or that will help your roommate – and us – know you better. (100 to 250 words)”

Hey Soon-To-Be-Fountain-Hopping-Partner-in-Crime,

I hope you found the Ale-8 soda bottle attached to this letter. It’s a little piece of Kentucky that I know you’re going to love. Don’t let my lack of the typical slow, southern accent fool you: I’ve lived in small towns surrounded by acres of farmland my entire life. Obviously, I’m dying to explore the Bay Area. Down for a day trip to SF? Boba run maybe? Let’s go bicycling around campus – this place is just so beautiful.

Let me apologize in advance: my desk may be a tad cluttered. Most of my organization exists digitally in the cloud. But don’t worry, I keep things running efficiently with my trusty whiteboard, where I write out my lofty goals for the week along with cheesy motivational phrases like, “Think like a proton, always positive” – they actually work! I’m sure our late night conversations will consist of both discussions about Tevin and Briaa from MTV’s *Are You the One?* And if they’re actually a perfect match (but what about Brett and Asia!) to debates about the economic impact of universal healthcare.

I have one last secret: I am an optimist at heart. I really believe that things will always work out in the end. That’s why I don’t sweat the small stuff like losing my wallet (it always turns up eventually!).

All of this is so new to the both of us, but here’s to all the exciting adventures ahead of us.

Your Boy,

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