

Welcome Transfer and Pauline E. Drake students,

The New Student Orientation schedule has suggested activities highlighted. I encourage you to participate in the new student orientation activities that you feel will benefit you. The Associate Deans and I want you to be actively involved as a member of the Spelman College sisterhood.

To begin your Spelman journey, we encourage you to join us for the "Welcome to Spelman, When and Where I Enter" program on Saturday evening at 7:00 pm in Sisters Chapel. Monday, August 10th, begins the academic activities, such as placement tests. If you have not completed a math or foreign language course and did not complete the foreign language placement exam before August 10th, you should take the placement exams. On Monday afternoon, you should plan to attend the "Academic Fair." On Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, you should plan to attend the session with Provost Burnett on "Being a Part of an Intellectual Community." Additionally, on Wednesday, *there is a special advising session from 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm in Cosby 233 for transfer and Pauline E. Drake students only.* If you are living off campus, be sure to note the Commuter Student Dinner and Sleepover on Friday, August 14th and Operation Olive Branch on Saturday, August 15th. Remember to attend Olive Branch, you should have completed the modules on sexual violence prevention and financial literacy that were sent to you by Student Affairs. And most importantly, don't miss the History and Traditions session and the Induction into the Spelman Sisterhood on Sunday, August 16th. You will need to wear your white dresses all day on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

A lot has been planned and we want you to take advantage of all the activities. Again, I encourage you to participate in all the activities but especially the ones you find interesting and the ones highlighted in the schedule.

If you have questions about orientation or Spelman College in general, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by phone at 404-270-5701 or email at [dpedescl@spelman.edu](mailto:dpedescl@spelman.edu).

I look forward to meeting you during the New Student Orientation period.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Desiree S. Pedescleaux". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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