

Hey Ladies!

I hope this letter finds you in the middle of having a wonderful summer break! Welcome to Eastern and to five north in Carman Hall! My name is Marissa Becker and I will be your Resident Assistant, otherwise known as RA, this upcoming year and I cannot wait to meet you all! I am a sophomore Speech Pathology major with a minor in psychology. I am from Mokena, Illinois and I graduated from Lincoln Way East High School. I have been an RA since the beginning of the second semester of my freshman year. I love to read, listen to music, spend time with my friends, and I am obsessed with quotes. Now that you know a little bit about me, I can't wait to get to know you better!

My door will always be open to you if you have any questions, need help studying, want to talk about something or just hang out. I'll always be there if you ever need me for anything. I hope for us to build a great community and to get involved with activities in Carman. I am very excited to start decorating our learning community and make it look awesome. I would love for our community to grow close to each other and for you all to make life long friends. You will be around many other girls going through the same college experiences so don't be nervous about anything!

The best way to make sure your experience this year is great is to get involved. There are a bunch of groups and clubs on campus for you to join. There will also be many activities for you to participate in the first few weeks so take them as opportunities to make new friends and do what you love. This year we will be hosting many activities on our floor so if you have something you're strongly interested in let me know and we can build a program around it!

One very important for you all to do this summer is to contact your roommate(s) as soon as possible. It is a very good idea to get to know each other and find out who is going to bring what for your rooms. By planning ahead with your roommate you will make your move in and transition a lot smoother. It will also be a lot easier when you know your roommate(s) a little bit before you move in. Having a friend to start the year off with will make things more enjoyable.

As your RA, I will always be here for you along your journey this year at EIU. Any time you have issues, concerns, or just want someone to hang out with I will be there for you. If you can think of any questions that you have feel free to email me at mlbecker@eiu.edu or add me on Facebook. Hope you have a fabulous rest of your summer break and get excited for this upcoming year!

See you soon!

Marissa Becker