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Dear Parents and Families,

Greetings from Tufts Latino Center! A home away from home, our center provides resources, support, and guidance to a wide range of students—from the accomplished athlete and gifted artist to the student who experienced an interruption to their educational path. Tufts Latino Center is a family of families.

For many students and their families, the first year of college can be overwhelming. So, in collaboration with the Dean of Student Affairs Office, we work to help ensure a successful college career, from Orientation to Commencement. Our hope is that Tufts Latino Center can be a valuable resource to students and their families. We encourage you to check in early and often. Here’s a quick glimpse of what we have to offer.

Tufts Latino Center is student run, staff led, and community supported. For over 25 years, our signature program, Latino Peer Leaders, has provided leadership development, training, and mentoring to students. Latino Peer Leaders help create a welcoming campus climate to foster a culture that promotes and celebrates diversity. Latino Peer Leaders help plan our annual retreat, which is free and open to all students interested in meeting fellow Latinx, Latin American, and Caribbean students at Tufts.

Tufts Latino Center works in collaboration with academic departments to advance learning beyond the classroom. For example, our residential program, La Casa Latina, provides a unique living and learning environment for students. In collaboration with the Department of Romance Studies, Latino Studies, and the Department of Drama and Dance, we offer helpful and engaging resources to support students who need to complete the language requirement at Tufts. Our fun and helpful resources include foreign film festivals, food tastings, and a textbook loan program. We invite your student to join us for this year’s Winter Potluck on December 10, 2018. Everyone is welcomed.

This Fall, we look forward to bringing your student into our caring and supportive fold. Until then, we hope you enjoy the beautiful summer days in
the company of your loved ones. Our office will be here, planning our programs and events to help ensure your student enjoys a successful transition to Tufts. Please be in touch with us. Know we can be of assistance to you and your student. We’re here to help.

Sincerely yours,

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