

A photograph of a campus walkway lined with trees and black lampposts. Several banners are hanging from the lampposts, featuring the Tulane University logo and the word 'Tulane'. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022, 6 PM CENTRAL

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OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE



- We help prepare, help prevent, and respond to incidents at Tulane University.
- We perform annual risk assessments, trainings, create emergency plans, and constantly think of all things that could cause business and learning interruptions.

ALL-HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS

- Each year we prepare for the most likely scenarios that might affect the university
- Example hazards:
 - Active shooter
 - Severe weather
 - Fire
 - Bio/chemical spill
 - Pandemics
 - Boil water advisories
 - **Hurricanes**
 - And much more!

Join us on Thursday, July 14th at 6 PM central for a webinar on our all-hazards preparedness!

Register here:

<https://parents.tulane.edu/webinars-tutorials>

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We use an all-hazards approach when preparing for emergencies. Anything can happen and our alert system and response system are both nimble and can be adjusted to meet the needs of each incident. In addition to our all-hazards approach, we also prepare for hazards that are most likely to affect us. These include active shooter, severe weather, fires, boil water advisories, pandemics, and of course, hurricanes. On Thursday, July 14 at 6pm central we will hold a parent webinar to discuss our all-hazards planning; this presentation will focus on hurricane preparedness and actions you and your student should take.

Stay Connected to #beTUready



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One component of preparedness is knowing how we will inform your student and you about emergency situations.

HURRICANE COMMUNICATIONS WITH FAMILIES

PRIMARY METHODS

- Email
 - Sign up at the link below or have your student add your email address in Gibson
 - <https://emergencyprep.tulane.edu/emergency-updates-parents> under Emergency Updates for Parents
- Emergency website: <http://emergency.tulane.edu/>

SECONDARY METHODS

- Social Media
 - @TulaneEmergency on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram
- *Tulane Today*
 - Subscribe here: <https://news.tulane.edu/node/1635031>

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There are several ways we will communicate with you – the parent/guardian/family member of our students – when there is the threat of a tropical storm or hurricane, during a storm, and post-storm. The primary methods used to contact you will be email and the university’s emergency website. To make sure you will receive emails you can have your student add your email address in Gibson, or you can sign up via the link on the screen.

The secondary methods used to communicate with you will be social media (our office’s social media handle is @TulaneEmergency) and we are on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The university’s main social media account (@TulaneU) will also be used. Additionally, Tulane Today will be used. You can subscribe to Tulane Today using the link on the screen.

HURRICANE COMMUNICATIONS WITH STUDENTS

PRIMARY METHODS

- Email (Tulane-assigned email address)
- Emergency website: <http://emergency.tulane.edu/>
- Mass Notification Communication System – "TU Alert"
 - Everbridge App (students should download this app)
 - Text Messages (students are automatically enrolled)
 - Email (students are automatically enrolled)

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The students get an introduction to Emergency Preparedness in one of the required online education modules they must complete by August 22. Then, on the students' first night on campus, Donald Veals, Assistant Director of Emergency Response Systems, will deliver an Emergency Preparedness and Response presentation that focuses on active shooter and severe weather situations. Parents are welcome to share the parent Hurricane Preparedness and Response PPT slides with narration notes and/or the webinar video with their students now to help their families discuss, prepare, and submit the students' hurricane evacuation plans.

When there is the threat of a tropical storm or hurricane, during a storm, and post-storm, there are several ways we will communicate with your student. The primary methods used to contact your student will be through their Tulane email address, the university's emergency website, and through our mass notification system via the Everbridge App, text messages, and emails. When we use our mass notification system these will be titled TU Alerts. Students are automatically enrolled to receive TU Alerts, including text messages. They should download the Everbridge App to receive TU Alerts through it.

HURRICANE COMMUNICATIONS WITH STUDENTS

SECONDARY METHODS

- Housing & Residence Life and Dining Services will communicate with students via their Tulane email addresses
- Social Media
 - @TulaneEmergency on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram
- Students **must** follow directions from university officials, including Student Affairs & TUPD

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The secondary methods used to communicate with your student will be email for groups including Housing & Residence Life and Dining Services. Social media will also have links to the emergency website and updates. It is imperative that students follow directions from all university officials, including Student Affairs and TUPD.

TEXT ALERTS

- Your student should log into Gibson
- Look under "Records"
- Use the link to confirm or correct **their own** contact information (including mobile phone number!)

Gibson
Home
Student
Staff
Billing
Financial Aid

[Clearinghouse](#)

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[TULearn \(Bridge\)](#)

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[Update Confidentiality Options](#)

[Update Address, Phone & Email](#)

[Update Emergency Contacts](#)

[Update Preferred First Name and/or Preferred Pronoun](#)

Resources

[Human Resources](#)

[Student Employment](#)

[View Unsettled Accounts](#)

- Account Activity & eBills
- Payment Options & History
- Refund Disbursement
- Authorized User Signup

Degree Works Audit

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Degree: Master Professional Studies

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Attention Student Workers

Please take a moment to review/update your home address by December 31 for filing income taxes, is mailed to the correct address.

If your address is not up to date in our system, your W-2 will be mailed to an incorrect address.

To verify and update your mailing address, please use the link <https://ebs.tulane.edu>

[Request a Refund](#)

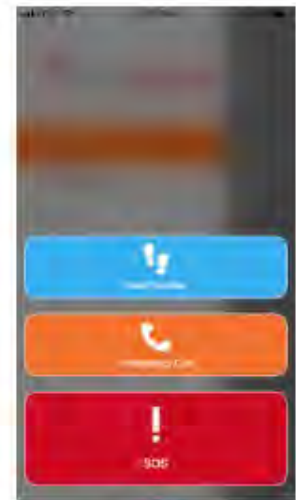
Request a refund if you receive credits in excess of charges or overpayment to your account.

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To ensure your student receives our text alerts they should log into Gibson, look on the left side of the screen under "records," and click the link to Update Address, Phone, and Email. They should confirm or correct that *their* own contact information – including their cell phone number – are listed.

EVERBRIDGE APP

- Available in the Apple and Android store
- Free to Tulane students, faculty, and staff who have a tulane.edu login
- Additional safety features:
 - Safe Corridor
 - Emergency Call
 - SOS



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The Everbridge App is one way we send emergency alerts. It is available for free in the Apple and Android stores. Your student should download the app and log in with their Tulane.edu credentials. Not only can we push emergency alerts through the app, it has three safety features your student can utilize at any time.

The first is Safe Corridor – your student can push this button to set a timer for when they are traveling from one place to another; for instance, if they are walking from the Howard-Tilton Memorial Library to their residence hall. They will be prompted to enter a 4-digit code of their choice, select a time for how long they anticipate it will take them to walk from the library to their residence hall, and then upon arrival at their residence hall they turn the timer off by entering the same 4-digit code they used to set the timer. If they do not turn the timer off, Tulane Police Department will be notified and the TUPD Dispatchers will call your student to find out if they need assistance. There is no penalty if they have forgotten to turn the timer off upon arrival at their destination.

The second feature is Emergency Call. If your student pushes this button, it will call TUPD. They will be able to talk to a TUPD dispatcher and tell them what assistance they need.

The third feature is SOS. If your student finds themselves in an emergent situation and pushes this button the TUPD dispatchers will be immediately notified and your student's name, phone number, and the forward-facing camera on your student's phone will be turned on so the dispatchers can see who is in need of emergency assistance, what

number to use to call them, and what is happening. It will also show the dispatchers your student's GPS location so TUPD can be dispatched to their location to provide assistance, if needed.

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Let's move now to our main topic: hurricane preparedness.

HURRICANE 101

Hurricane season: June 1 – November 30

Atlantic Ocean –

- See these form 7+ days before landfall
- ~5 days before landfall start to have a good sense of the storm's projected path

Gulf of Mexico –

- See these form ~4 days before landfall
- Decision to close and evacuate or close in shelter in place made as soon as possible once projected path forecast



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Currently we are in hurricane season, which officially runs from June 1 – November 30. The peak of the season (when we historically see the most activity) is from late August – mid-September. Just because hurricane season officially starts on June 1 does not mean there can't be a storm in May; June – November is when hurricanes are most likely to form.

When a storm forms in the Atlantic Ocean we see these storms at least seven days before they make landfall. Around five days before landfall we will start to have a good sense of its projected path.

When a storm forms in the Gulf of Mexico, or just south of the Gulf in the Caribbean, we typically only have about four days to prepare.

Regardless of where the storm forms, once we are within its forecasted area of impact, university senior leadership tries to make and announce a decision about if we will close and evacuate or close and shelter in place as soon as possible.

HURRICANE 101

Hurricane Hazards

- High winds
- Storm surge
- Heavy rainfall and inland flooding

Hurricane Impacts

- Power outages
- Loss of internet service
- Water & sewerage pumping station problems resulting in boil water advisories
- Flooding
- Supply chain disruption/interruption
- Fuel shortages



With hurricanes there are several hazards including, high winds, storm surge, and heavy rainfall that can cause inland flooding (along with storm surge).

Hurricanes can also cause multiple impacts such as power outages, loss of internet service, water and sewerage pumping station problems that result in boil water advisories, flooding, supply chain disruptions and interruptions, and fuel shortages.

WHAT WILL TULANE DO?

Options:

- **Close and Shelter in Place** –

- Transition to online/remote classes or cancel classes, cease normal business operations, and shelter on-campus residents in their residence halls
- Expected impacts to New Orleans and Tulane are manageable

- **Close and Evacuate** –

- Cancel classes, cease normal business operations, and everyone **MUST** evacuate
- Expected impacts to New Orleans and Tulane are significant
 - We can declare a mandatory evacuation even if the City of New Orleans does not

*If the first two options, we will run shuttles to the airport

- **Nothing** –

- Storm forecast area does not include New Orleans
- No expected impacts to New Orleans or Tulane

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When a storm is forecast to enter the Gulf and its projected path are forecast, we have several options of what we, as a university, can do.

Our first option is to Close and Shelter in Place. This means that we will transition to online or remote classes *or* cancel classes, we will cease our normal business operations, and we will shelter on-campus residents in their residence halls or another on-campus designated building. If this is the decision that is made it is because the expected impacts from the storm to New Orleans and the university are predicted to be manageable.

Our second option is to Close and Evacuate. If this decision is made then classes will be cancelled, we will cease normal business operations, and everyone **MUST** evacuate. No one (except designated essential personnel) will be allowed to stay on any of the university's campuses. If this decision is made, then we are likely expecting that impacts from the storm will be significant in the New Orleans area and to us. It is important to note that the university can declare a mandatory evacuation for our university population even if the City of New Orleans does not declare a mandatory evacuation. If the City of New Orleans declares a mandatory evacuation, we must evacuate as well.

If we shelter in place or evacuate, the university will run shuttles from campus to the airport. Tulane Shuttles & Transportation will send out information for how students can reserve a spot on one of the shuttles. The shuttles will run until about one day before

the storm is forecast to make landfall.

Our third option is to do nothing. If this decision is made New Orleans is not actually in the forecast area for the storm and there are no expected impacts to New Orleans or Tulane from the storm.

HOW DO WE DECIDE?

- Multiple forecast factors considered:
 - Storm size
 - Storm forward speed
 - Storm surge
 - Storm category
 - Storm direction relative to New Orleans
- Try to announce a decision 2.5-3 days before projected landfall
- Consult with National Hurricane Center, AccuWeather, local meteorologist
- Each storm is unique (*no two storms are the same!*)

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So – how do we decide what to do? There are multiple factors that are taken into consideration including forecasted storm size, current and forecasted storm forward speed, forecasted storm surge, forecasted storm category at landfall, and forecasted storm direction relative to New Orleans. All of these components – which can change as the storm gets closer to landfall – are considered. It is our goal to announce what we will do (evacuate or shelter in place) about 2.5 to 3 days before projected landfall. We want to give you and your student as much time to implement your plans as possible, while also having as accurate a forecast as possible.

We work with weather partners at the National Hurricane Center, AccuWeather, and a local meteorologist to gather all this information. We talk with our weather partners multiple times a day beginning when we see a storm forming through landfall, if we are in the forecasted impact area.

Remember – no two storms are the same, so just because a storm has a similar path or the same category as another storm that does not mean it will act the same way as the previous storm.

SHELTERING IN PLACE

If your student lives *on campus*:

- Residence halls and select other buildings maintain full power, including HVAC
- Students will be provided a three-day supply of Meals Ready to Eat (MREs) – non-perishable food
- Students will **not** be allowed to leave their shelter location from onset of tropical storm-force winds until after damage assessment team completes initial sweep of campus
 - This could last upwards of 24 hours
- Recreation activities (including Reily Center) will be unavailable



If the university decides to Shelter in Place and your student lives *on campus*, our residence halls and select other buildings have backup power that will allow them to maintain full power, including HVAC. Additionally, *on-campus* students will be provided a three-day supply of Meals Ready to Eat, or MREs, which are non-perishable food. This will allow them to continue having meals and snacks while they are sheltering in their residence halls or designated building during and immediately following the storm, which is a period when they will not be allowed to leave those buildings.

From the time we start experiencing tropical storm-force winds through when the storm has cleared our area and our damage assessment team is conducting their initial safety sweep of campus students will not be allowed to leave their buildings at all. This is for their safety and the safety of first responders. Please be aware that this time period could last upwards of 24 consecutive hours.

When we close and shelter in place this also means that activities, including the Reily Recreation Center, will be closed. When we shelter in place the Reily Recreation Center becomes the shelter location for essential employees who stay on campus from before the storm arrives through when it is deemed safe to begin resuming some or all our normal business operations to protect life safety and our physical assets. This group includes members of the Tulane Police Department, Facilities Services, Student Affairs, Dining, and our office.

SHELTERING IN PLACE

If/when your student lives *off campus*:

- Students will need to ensure they have bottled water, non-perishable food, flashlights, batteries, etc. in their homes
- It's a good idea for students to check with their landlords
- Sheltering on campus cannot be guaranteed
- Very likely they will lose power
 - Could be without power for days – weeks
- Boil water advisory and sewerage pumping station issues possible



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If your student lives *off campus* when the university decides to shelter in place, they will need to take the necessary steps to be personally prepared. This means they will need to ensure that they have enough bottled water to last each person (and service animals or pets they may have) multiple days in case there are problems with the water plant that result in a boil water advisory, enough non-perishable food to last at least 3-5 days per person, flashlights, batteries, a first aid kit, portable chargers for their electronic devices, and the like.

They should also check with their landlords to see if their residence has a generator, and what preparatory steps they need to take to prepare their home. This could include securing garbage and recycle bins, bringing in porch and patio furniture, and closing shutters. They should also ask what steps the landlord will be taking to prepare their residence.

If your *off-campus* student does not feel comfortable or safe sheltering in place in their off-campus residence, we **CANNOT** guarantee that we will be able to accommodate them on campus.

Off campus students need to be prepared for the likelihood of losing power – with tropical storm and hurricane-force winds loss of power is not uncommon or unexpected. Part of the charm of this city is its age, but it is an old city and has a very old infrastructure, including above-ground power lines that tree limbs or trees can take down. Power losses can last hours to days to weeks following a storm, so they should

keep this in mind as they prepare their emergency supplies.

Another issue that comes with an aged infrastructure is the increased likelihood of problems with the city's pumping stations and sewerage stations, and if the latter is compromised not only will the city take on a putrid odor, but there can be sewerage backups into people's homes. Lastly, garbage pickup tends to experience delays following storms as removing large debris is the initial priority.

Campus will remain closed immediately following the storm, and at least through the initial damage assessment. This means that as soon as the storm has passed your off-campus student cannot come to campus since it will not yet be determined if it is safe for people to be walking around campus.

EVACUATION - WHAT TO TAKE

Plan to be gone at least 5 days

- Clothes, medications (prescription and OTC), sanitation and personal hygiene supplies (don't forget glasses and contacts!)
- Necessary items to do work/school remotely
- Portable chargers, electronic devices and chargers
- Important documents (government IDs, Splash Card, leases/deeds/titles, proof of insurance)
- Valuables & sentimental items
- Emergency contact list (not just saved on phone)



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If the university decides that we need to close and evacuate you and your student need to immediately implement your student's personal evacuation plan.

Your student should plan to be evacuated for at least five days. When your student is packing to leave these are some essentials we *strongly encourage* them to take with them:

- Clothes
- Medications (prescriptions and over the counter)
- Sanitation and personal hygiene supplies
- Anything they need to do their schoolwork and attend classes remotely/virtually
- Portable chargers for their electronic devices
- Electronic devices and the associated chargers
- Important documents, which includes their Splash Card, government issued IDs and government documents, such as visas, a copy of their off-campus residence lease, proof of insurance, etc.
- Any valuables and sentimental items that cannot be replaced or that they would be devastated to lose
- A written copy of their emergency contacts and associated contact information

They will *not* be allowed back on campus once campus has closed if they have forgotten something. If they are found to be in their residence hall room once the campus has closed, they will face student conduct disciplinary action because they will be putting themselves and others in danger. Evacuation is not something that is taken

lightly and is done because the threat for significant damage and risk for life safety is great.

EVACUATING

- Personal evacuation plans must be submitted by July 15
- Do NOT rely on the university to evacuate your student
 - **WE ARE NOT YOUR PRIMARY PLAN**
 - Tulane will run shuttles to the New Orleans airport until ~1 day before landfall
- Your plan CAN change
 - Example: Original plan is you fly your student home/to relatives/to family friends; then change plan for student to evacuate with roommate/friends
 - Example: Original plan you pick your student up; change plan for relative or friend to pick student up



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As a reminder, your student's personal evacuation plan must be submitted by this Friday, July 15th.

You and your student should *NOT* rely on us to be your student's evacuation plan. You and your student need to create a plan that can be implemented without us. Please note that we will run shuttles to the airport until about one day before the storm is forecast to make landfall. *YOUR PRIMARY PLAN ABSOLUTELY SHOULD NOT BE TO HAVE YOUR STUDENT EVACUATE WITH US. IT NEEDS TO BE SOMETHING ELSE.*

If your plan changes after July 15th, and that is entirely possible that it may, that is OK. For instance, if your student's personal evacuation plan is to fly home or to a city where you have relatives or friends and then when an evacuation is declared your student wants to evacuate with their roommate or friends, that is OK. (Side note: when Meredith was an undergraduate, she once took nine friends home during an evacuation – most of their plans had been to fly home. She and two others who had cars caravanned to Houston and stayed with her parents for five days).

Perhaps your current plan is for you to come pick your student up but later you decide that there is a friend or relative who lives closer who can pick your student up for you – that is OK. Plans can change. But now is the time to think through what is Plan A, Plan B, and Plan C. Having your student evacuate with the university should be Plan Z.

If your student evacuates with the university they will be taken on a bus ride that could take 8 or more hours to sleep on a gym floor at another university where they will most likely not have cots or air mattresses, will have no privacy, and will have to share locker room bathrooms with everyone else who has evacuated with the university. It will be far more comfortable for them to evacuate to you, with friends, with relatives or family friends, or with roommates than to evacuate with us.

YOUR ROLE IN ADVANCE OF A STORM

You and your student need to decide: *are you comfortable with your student sheltering in place during a tropical storm or hurricane?*

- It is REQUIRED that you have an evacuation plan for your student
- It is OK to evacuate your student before the university announces a decision
 - Your student must communicate with their professors.
- It is OK to evacuate your student if the university decides to shelter in place
- It is STRONGLY ENCOURAGED that you ensure your student's belongings are covered under your homeowner's insurance or that your student has property or renter's insurance.
 - We also recommend that you consider this recommended property insurance plan that has good coverage with low premiums and deductibles: <https://www.collegestudentinsurance.com>.

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You are an important component to hurricane planning. You need to discuss with your student if both of you comfortable with your student sheltering in place during a tropical storm or hurricane if the university has decided to shelter in place.

Your student is required to have an evacuation plan. We hope we never have to use any of our evacuation plans, but you should not skip having this important discussion based on our hopes.

As you think about your and your student's preparedness for a storm be aware that it is OK for your student to evacuate *before* the university has made a decision about sheltering in place or evacuating. If you and your student are more comfortable with your student evacuating rather than sheltering in place for a storm, then they should evacuate. If you and your student decide to do this, your student must communicate with all of their professors.

It is also OK for your student to evacuate if the university has decided to shelter in place. We will run shuttles to the airport for students who want to evacuate.

We also *strongly encourage* you to talk with your insurance carrier to find out if your student's belongings are covered under your policy or if your student needs to get a separate property/renter's policy. You should have this conversation whether your student lives on- or off-campus.

Tulane's Office of Enterprise Risk Services offers the following

information on a program, <https://www.collegestudentinsurance.com>, to help protect your student's property:

Protect your student's personal belonging against loss, theft, disappearance, or damages, regardless of whether they live on-campus or off-campus with premiums as low as \$126 for \$5,000 of coverage with deductibles as low as \$25. This includes protection for their cell phones, bicycles, computers, clothing, household items, and other valuables.

For additional questions on this protection product, please contact Tulane's Office of Enterprise Risk Services at 504-865-5653.

YOUR ROLE IN DEVELOPING YOUR STUDENT'S PERSONAL EVACUATION PLAN

Develop a **personal evacuation plan** with your student

- Where will your student go?
- When will you and your student make the decision to stay or leave?
- How will your student travel out of the city?
 - *Rail and bus transportation will not be available options if the city institutes a mandatory evacuation*
- Who is your student's designated out-of-town contact?
- Remember to include your student's service animal, emotional support animal, or (when your student lives off campus) pets in their plan
- Whether on- or off-campus, review your family's homeowner's insurance coverage or secure separate property/renter's insurance for your student

How do you help your student develop their personal evacuation plan? Think through these questions:

- Where will my student go?
- When will you and your student make the decision to shelter in place or evacuate?
- How will your student leave the city?
 - Be aware that if the city declares a mandatory evacuation rail and bus transportation will not be available
- Who is your student's out-of-town contact?
- Have you remembered to plan for your student's service animal, emotional support animal, or (when your student lives off campus) pets in these plans?
 - The university staff who stay on campus during storms to protect life safety and our physical assets do not have the capacity to care for animals so your on-campus student **CANNOT** evacuate and leave their service animal or emotional support animal in their residence hall
- Does your family's homeowner's insurance policy cover your student's belongings? If not, be sure to secure a separate policy for your student.

YOUR ROLE

- Read university announcements, check <http://emergency.tulane.edu> for all official updates
 - The various parent Facebook pages are not official sources of information!
- Watch *local* news (no Weather Channel!)
 - WWL TV
 - Fox8
 - WDSU
- Remind your student to check their Tulane email

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When a storm has formed and is approaching the Gulf, or if we are in the forecast impact area, you have several very important roles.

First: read the university announcements that are sent via email and check the emergency website for all official updates. The parent Facebook pages may be your source for some information, but leading up to, during, and following a storm they should not be your source of information!

Remember that past storms had different dynamics and impacts which required specific responses. Get current information from official Tulane sources rather than unofficial sources on Facebook.

Also, watch local New Orleans news. Donald and Meredith's favorites are WWLTV, Fox8, and WDSU. The Weather Channel should not be your source of information – they and other national news outlets tend to show footage from the last “worst case storm” and remember, all storms are different. Our local news outlets have meteorologists and reporters who can speak with authority about how each approaching storm could impact our area. They are who we trust, and hope you will watch them, too.

Finally, and this one is very important: remind your student to check their Tulane email! In addition to university-wide communications, there may be communications sent only to students or only to students who live on-campus, and these will go to their Tulane email. These communications could come from Housing & Residence Life, Student

Affairs, and others, and they will all have important information your student needs to see. This cannot be stressed enough: they need to check their Tulane email.

OTHER PLANNING RESOURCES



In addition to resources on our website, and we will share that link, there are also great hurricane planning resources available from the city at ready.nola.gov and from the state at getagameplan.org.

POST-STORM ACTIONS

- Students should follow *all* instructions from Tulane administration
 - Instructions and updates will be sent via email
 - Check <https://emergency.tulane.edu> for latest information
- Students should *NOT* return to any of the university's campuses or buildings until expressly told by the university that they may do so
 - Buildings may have power but that does not mean they are safe to occupy
- Students should be prepared to attend classes remotely for multiple days or longer post-storm

Following a storm, it is imperative that your student follow *all* instructions from Tulane administration. All instructions and updates will be sent via their Tulane email. Follow-ups may also be sent via TU Alerts. These will also be posted on the emergency website.

Students should *NOT* return to any of the university's campuses or buildings until they are *expressly* told they may do so by Tulane administration. Just because some or all our buildings may have power that does not mean that they are safe to occupy.

Your student should also be prepared to attend classes remotely for multiple days or longer post-storm. So please remind them when they evacuate to take what they need for their classes!

QUESTIONS ON HOW TO #BETUREADY?

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Check out our website: emergencyprep.tulane.edu

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Please feel free to reach out to us with your questions, follow us on social media (our Instagram is particularly great!), and to look at our website for additional planning resources.