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Freshman reflections...

Spencer Williams of Madison Twp. reflects on his first year of college at Robert E. Cook Honors College at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

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Resident or Commuter: Resident



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Q. Are you a member of any school clubs?

A. I participate in IUP's housing department. I was part of my residence hall's Residence Hall Council last year, and am a Community Assistant this year.

Q. What is the most important life lesson college has taught you?

A. No matter how sure you are about some part of who you are, you're going to encounter something that will challenge that. Even small things! I thought I was a morning person, but college taught me that anything before 8 a.m. is absolutely exhausting!

Q. If you live on campus, what is the one thing you miss most from home?

A. Just the community I came to love at home. College was my first time really living away from home, and suddenly being away from the friends I've known all my life was a little disorienting. Not to mention local restaurants whose food you just can't beat when you're eating on-campus!

Q. What are your summer plans?

A. The only thing I had planned this summer was going camping in the Adirondacks, and that's done with already. The rest of this summer is reserved for relaxing; next summer is when the working and planning and stuff starts.

Q. What are your future plans?

A. The only definite plan is to graduate and start teaching, which is something I've wanted to do since kindergarten. I suppose I'd also like to travel some, too, if given the opportunity—there's just so much to see in this world.

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