## **Tulane Bookstore to host VIP Night for students**

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The Tulane Bookstore, located in the Lavin-Bernick Center on the uptown campus, will host its third annual VIP Night Thursday (Aug. 25) from 5-7:30 p.m.

Bookstore marketing manager Mia Buggage, said the goal is to provide new and returning students with a fun, social atmosphere to shop for textbooks and become familiar with all that the bookstore offers.

"Move-in weekend can be so overwhelming and stressful," said Buggage. "We want students to feel welcomed and to know that the bookstore is a comfortable place to hang out rather than just a stop on their errand list."

The evening's activities will include music, food, an on-site manicurist, games, and giveaways, as well as personal assistance with book purchases. Students will also

have the chance to see recent renovations, which include an interactive TV display on the second floor.

"We want to provide a social atmosphere for students to get a feel for the bookstore and be engaged and excited," said Buggage, who believes that by-product of the event is the incitement of school spirit for the fast-approaching football season.

In addition to the student focus of the evening, bookstore staff also have an opportunity to establish connections with new students — a relationship that often carries through the student's years at Tulane, said Buggage.

Summer months tend to be a slower time at the uptown campus bookstore, Buggage explained. "We're are so excited to have the students back on campus. It's been guiet around here."

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