



## **Ashley, '20**

**Hometown:** Weston, CT

**Major:** Psychology / Special Education

**Personal Interests:** I enjoy cheerleading, horseback riding, going to sports games, being outside, and staying active.

**Campus Involvement:** I'm involved in Residence Hall Council, Teachers of Tomorrow, Campus Ministry, Best Buddies, Autism Speaks, and take Zumba classes.

**How I Can Help As Your Peer Mentor:** I was so scared of being homesick when I came to Marist. I didn't think my roommate and I were going to be that close because we were placed randomly. I was so wrong. I wasn't homesick at all because I was so busy with all of the programs, clubs, classes, and friends. My roommate and I have become best friends! I can help you through any struggles you might encounter.

**What I Was Nervous About:** I was worried I wouldn't feel comfortable participating in my classes. However, the professors and students are all very welcoming and I have not felt uncomfortable in a class yet.

**What I Was Excited About:** I was so excited to be closer to starting my dream career. I couldn't wait to meet new people and start new classes.

**Advice for the Class of 2021:** Don't stay in your room—get involved and be open to meeting new people! Stepping out of your comfort zone is okay. You can do this! Cherish every moment because the year will be over before you know it.

Enjoy your summer! Make time to spend with your family and friends. See you soon!

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*The end depends on the beginning*