Move-In Day Festivities Begin Week-Long Orientation Welcome for Class of 2005

A sea of parents and first-year students enjoyed lunch in front of Hamilton Hall on move-in day, above. A procession of students, above right, marched through the gates at Broadway and 116th street after the second annual production of “Class Act,” a show that introduces new students to Columbia past and present.

At right, a student checks her room assignment. Below right, Kathy Alexander of Dalton, Mass., unpacks clothes while her family helps move boxes in her new room. Below, a trail of carts overflowing with possessions wait to be moved into the dorms.