Recommended Talking Points for Accepted Student Parties:

Accepted Student Parties are a great opportunity to promote the University of Virginia to students that are considering attending in the fall. UVA Clubs are encouraged to incorporate several important pieces into their Accepted Student Parties. Please don't ask “Are you attending Virginia?” as it may make the prospective students uncomfortable. We don’t want this to be a high pressure push for students to enroll. It's meant to be celebratory and congratulatory.

Here’s what you can do:

- Welcome the students and their family.
- Congratulate the students on their acceptance to the University of Virginia.
- Talk about why you came to the University of Virginia. Here are a few ideas:
  
  **Academics** - The University is considered one of the premiere academic institutions in the United States. It is consistently ranked as a top public University by *U.S. News and World Report.*

  **Student Self-Governance** - The emphasis on student self-governance has produced one of the most actively involved student bodies in the country. Students have a hand in the day-to-day running of the University, and leave UVA with valuable leadership and management experience as a result.

  **Technology** - UVA has led the way in integrating technology into the learning experience through special initiatives.

  **Diversity** - The University is composed of a diverse student population. In 2016-2017 the student body represented 48 U.S. states and 124 countries.

  **Study Abroad and Service** - 35-40% of our students study abroad. UVA is known as a university exceptionally committed to service, both on-Grounds and around the globe.

  **Thomas Jefferson** - Our founder, Mr. Jefferson, said of his University, “Our aim from the beginning has been to make this establishment the most eminent in the United States, in order to draw to it the youth of every state.” The University still bears the imprint of his far-ranging intellect: his love of every species of learning, scientific and artistic, beautiful and useful.

- Talk about your UVA Club and how the club activities are for all alumni, parents and friends of the University.

- Thank the host(s) for the party.

- Thank everyone for attending and answer any remaining questions.