Pointers for Parents

## Making The Move To College

(NAPSA)—College enrollments continue to climb, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.

A few tips—including renting the right-sized truck and having a packing plan—can help make the move to college go smoothly. The following suggestions come from Penske Truck Rental, a company with over 30 years in the business.

• **Truck Selection.** Most college students choose the 12- or 16-foot truck for moving into a college dorm or efficiency apartment.

• **Reserve Early.** Remember to reserve your truck and any moving accessories at least two weeks in advance with a company that guarantees a truck with each reservation (not all do). Save time by making your drop-off arrangements when you reserve your truck.

• **Pack Smart.** Bring only what you really need. Load the heaviest items into the truck first. To avoid injury, always bend your knees and lift with your legs; never lift with your back.

• Use Accessories. Boxes, packing tape, bubble wrap, moving blankets and hand trucks are all essential moving tools that can help protect your items during your move.

• Safety and Security. Trucks are taller, wider, heavier and



If your son or daughter is getting ready to make the transition to college life, you may want to explore ways to help that move go more smoothly.

require more stopping distance than the vehicle you are likely used to driving. Drive slower and take extra precautions, especially when the truck is loaded. To ensure a smooth moving day, pick up your truck a day early. Practice driving it. When traveling, park in well-lit areas and padlock the rear door. Penske offers 24/7 emergency roadside assistance and optional protection plans.

Finally, with most belongings packed tightly away, create a travel bag for moving day to keep important paperwork, credit cards, identification, change of clothes, drinks and snacks close at hand.

Additional moving tips are available at www.GoPenske.com.