Welcome! We are excited for the 11th Annual Summer Bridge Program and look forward to having you in the program. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information regarding the program. Please read through this packet carefully and if you have any questions or concerns, please don’t hesitate to contact us.

Summer Bridge Dates: Saturday, July 26th through Saturday, August 16, 2014.

- **Move-in day** is Saturday July 26, 2014, starting at 12:00 p.m. (more information will follow).

- **All students are required to stay on campus for the duration of the three-week program.** Students will be residing in Selene and Buckingham during the program.

- **Please review the AOS LLC information sheet in this packet.** If you do not intend on staying in the AOS Living and Learning Community for the academic year, you must let me know by Thursday July 10, 2014. Those of you who chose to live in the AOS LLC, you will move into your permanent room on Saturday July 26, 2014.
• **Please complete your housing and board contract** for fall (before Summer Bridge). If you do not, you will be required to complete it on orientation day and place a $100.00 deposit for your room. *Residential Life will not allow you to charge this to your bill, so come prepared to pay when you arrive!* If you have already paid your dorm deposit for the fall semester, you do not need to pay this again.

• **If you need any academic or physical living accommodation(s):** please contact Pam Ekstrom (507)-537-7672 or pam.ekstrom@smsu.edu by Monday July 14, 2014. Even if you have been in contact with her, please check with her to ensure that all of your accommodations are in place. (i.e. pca care, note takers etc.)

• **Be sure to have the following list of items when you arrive:** personal toiletries, insect repellant, sun screen, laundry money ($1.75 per load W&D), alarm clock, fan, phone & cord, paper, pens, pencils, phone card or cell for long distance, extra long twin size bed sheets, towels, swim suit, and comfortable shoes for walking. **Required items include:** swimming suit, and water shoes/old sneakers.

• **Mailing address during Summer Bridge:** Please do not have letters or packages mailed to your room address during Summer Bridge. The Residential Life mailrooms are not open at this time and any mail sent will take longer to be delivered or will be returned. Please send mail to our office in c/o Michele Knife Sterner – 1501 State Street, Marshall MN 56258.
• **You will be receiving a letter in July** with the move-in information, daily and weekend schedules, and additional information concerning Summer Bridge.

• **If you DO NOT plan on attending Summer Bridge, you must contact Michele Knife Sterner (507-537-7382 or michele.sterner@smsu.edu) by Friday, June 27, 2014; if you do not, a $203.58 charge WILL be placed on your fall bill to cover the cost of the Mini Voyage.**

Summer Bridge 2014 promises to be an exciting and beneficial time for participants and instructors alike. We are looking forward to getting to know you and working with you to help you achieve your educational goals! Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns that you may have.

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