READ THE FOLLOWING VERY, VERY CLOSELY!!!

Please provide us with your personal email account. This is absolutely critical so we are able to directly contact you concerning any changes in travel or orientation schedules.

TRANSPORTATION TO SMSU:
Wednesday January 6, 1:00 pm from Minneapolis/St. Paul

Southwest Minnesota State University (SMSU) is located 150 miles (about 325 kilometers) west of the airport in Minneapolis/St. Paul. We arrange transportation ONLY on January 6, 2016. You will be charged just $65 USD for this service. If you do NOT schedule your flight so you can leave with us at 1:00 pm Central Standard Time (NO EXCEPTIONS) on Wednesday, January 6, transportation to SMSU becomes extremely difficult. Unfortunately, this applies to flights that have been delayed. IF YOU MISS THIS DATE, WE ARE ABLE TO HELP WITH TRANSPORTATION BUT WE MUST CHARGE $255 FOR THIS SERVICE. In addition, you may have to spend the night at the Mall of America Ramada Inn hotel. Although they provide SMSU rates, hotel accommodations in the Minneapolis/St. Paul are expensive (about $95 per night at the Ramada).

A taxi to Marshall is extremely expensive and unfortunately there is the possibility of getting a dishonest driver. Students who have missed our transportation and have taken a taxi have paid between $400 to $550 USD for the 3 hour ride. Bus service is difficult to arrange. The bus is scheduled to run 3 days a week and the bus depot is in the city of Minneapolis requiring an expensive cab fare (as well as the possibility of staying at the Ramada for a number of evenings). It is better to arrive a day early than to be late. ADDITIONALY, PLEASE DO NOT SCHEDULE YOUR FLIGHT FOR MORE THAN A COUPLE DAYS BEFORE January 6th. IF YOU ARRIVE A WEEK OR MORE EARLY, YOU WILL NOT HAVE CAMPUS HOUSING, YOU WILL HAVE TO PAY THE EXTRA MONEY FOR TRANSPORTATION AND HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS and there will be limited services available on campus.

The transportation that SMSU provides takes you directly to the campus. You will be able to meet other students, rest and have a wonderful trip to Southwest Minnesota State University. IT CAN NOT BE OVERSTATED – ARRANGE YOUR FLIGHT SO YOU CAN TAKE OUR TRANSPORTATION.

- If you are with an agent, be sure to follow these guidelines. Your agent does NOT arrange transportation, SMSU has that responsibility.

More information on Orientation will be sent you via email