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Dear Incoming Student,

We here at Misericordia University share your exceptional vision and ambition for all aspects of your life, in and out of the classroom. Your personal and professional development, and that of your peers, is the cornerstone of a partnership that will last during your years here and beyond. It is an exciting journey on which we embark together.

As you well know, alcohol is a significant issue in the lives of students in both high school and college and throughout our lives. Whether you abstain from alcohol entirely or not, it is an influence in our lives and in the lives of our family and friends. Misericordia has joined together with many top schools in the country in adopting Alcohol-Wise as a component of our alcohol prevention initiative. This is not an over-simplified, lecture style diatribe about the use of alcohol. It is a thoughtful, educated, and educating program for adults committed to thinking about their life choices.

Your physical and emotional health, now and throughout your life, will serve as a critical foundation for the greatness that your intellect and creativity afford you. And, as always, your commitment to yourself comes with a shared commitment to the health and welfare of others. Just as you have throughout your life, you will have a special opportunity to impact the lives of your peers in positive and productive ways, and we are committed to helping you do so in any way that we can.

To this end, we **REQUIRE** every new incoming Misericordia University student to take a two-part module. The first part is called Alcohol-Wise and the additional course titled Sexual Consent and Respect.

- You may access the course **beginning July 6th**.
- You will need to log onto **myMU** and click on the Student Life Tab. Click on the 3rd Millennium/Alcohol-Wise image in the left column and it will take you to the course.
- You will need to complete **Part 1 of both Alcohol-Wise and the Consent & Respect module** (approximately 1 hour) by **August 27th**.
- **If the courses are not completed, you will be given a First Offense Alcohol Sanction which includes a service hours and attendance at an alternatives educational class to be held on a Saturday.**
- Approximately **30 days** later, you will receive an automated email asking you to complete the course. At this time, you will need to log in again to complete **Part 2** which takes approximately 15 minutes. This completes the course.

Please note that the course includes E-Chug which offers you feedback on your alcohol-related attitudes and behaviors and a section on *Consent and Respect* related to Sexual Assault. All responses for this course are strictly confidential; Misericordia will only receive information about the student body as a whole and will NEVER see any individual student's answers.

Misericordia University is deeply committed to the greatest health and welfare, and ultimate success and happiness, of all of our students. I hope that you enjoy the course. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at crimpfel@misericordia.edu or call (570)674-8318.

Sincerely,

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