

Alfred Today

Tuesday, August 08, 2006

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AU offices closing Wednesday, Aug. 9 at noon

The following AU offices will close at noon on Wednesday, Aug. 9, with all cashiering transactions ending at 11:30 a.m. -- Business Office in Carnegie, Student Service Center in Seidlin, both Student Accounts and Registrar, Human Resources in Greene Hall, Research Accounting in Binns Merrill -- so that staff may enjoy our "Year End Annual Picnic".

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No swimming at Foster Lake for remainder of summer

Foster Lake will be closed for swimming for the remainder of the summer. The rainfall and shallow depths of the lake have contributed to high levels of bacterial growth. It is an unfortunate situation and we regret having to close the swimming area, but the McLane pool will provide extended hours for access pass holders through Wednesday, Aug. 23. We hope that everyone will understand our position is to ensure everyone's safety.

-- Cherise Haase
Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator

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Letters to faculty from Special Academic Services

In the past, our office has distributed letters to all students who have self-identified as having some type of disability. The students have been strongly encouraged to give these letters to their adviser and professors during the first week of classes each semester. We will continue this practice for all returning students.

In response to faculty requests, we will implement a new procedure for new, first-time freshmen who have given me consent. I will be e-mailing the letter directly to the adviser and to faculty as soon as the student registers for classes. As always, I am not allowed to indicate the student's specific disability.

The letter is intended to alert you to the fact that the student has a disability and qualifies for accommodations. It asks that you work with the student in further developing his or her learning strengths and in helping to provide the appropriate accommodations. In the e-mail letters regarding

new, first-time freshmen, I have tried to give slightly more specific information about each student. It is my hope that the student will take the time to meet with you and discuss his/her disabilities, learning strengths, and needs in more detail.

If at any time you have concerns or questions regarding a student or their accommodations, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please keep in mind that not all new, first-time freshmen have given me permission to send out these letters. Also, all information that you receive regarding students with disabilities is confidential.

I hope that you find this process to be helpful.

Thank you.

Dr. Terry Taggart

Director, Special Academic Services

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