Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

Congratulations and welcome to the Saint Anselm College family! As we prepare for the 2021-22 academic school year, we are diligently preparing programs to help your son or daughter successfully make the transition from high school to college. It is important to us that we help them develop and enhance their skills, while providing them with vital information they need to navigate their way through their first year.

The **Transitions Program** was designed to strengthen the academic, social, and cultural experiences of first-year students. It is a collaborative effort spearheaded by the Intercultural Center in conjunction with over twenty different offices on campus. It was created with the four R’s in mind: Relationships, Resources, Real Skills & Respect. Students will be provided an opportunity to make valuable connections with current students, faculty, staff, and alumni. They will be educated about the plethora of resources that exist at the College to aid them on their journey toward graduation. They will also learn valuable skills to help them be successful in and out of the classroom. Additionally students will be paired with a peer mentor who will use their familiarity with campus life and resources, as well as their personal experiences as Saint Anselm students, to provide valuable advice and guidance to mentees.

The **Transitions Program** will be held August 16-18, 2021. It is a supplement to the New Student Orientation Program which will be held August 19 – August 21, 2021. Transitions was not created to replace the larger program. Students who participate in the program are strongly encouraged to attend all New Student Orientation events.

If you are a residential student, you will be permitted to move into your assigned residence hall beginning at 9:00am on August 16, 2021. Families and friends are invited to attend the **Welcome Reception and Parent Session**; they should plan to depart after these events.

Please review the tentative schedule and have your son or daughter complete the registration form and return it to the Intercultural Center by **Monday, August 9, 2021**. Registration can be completed online at [https://admission.anselm.edu/register/transitions](https://admission.anselm.edu/register/transitions). Space will be limited; therefore, students are encouraged to register early. There is no cost to attend the program. Participants are required to attend all program events.

I hope to hear from you and meet you soon. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Intercultural Center at (603) 222-4282 or email interculturalcenter@anselm.edu.

Sincerely,

Wayne C. Currie
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