WELCOME:

It is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to the vibrant community of McNally Smith College of Music! You will soon be joining fellow students who understand the importance of acquiring a well-rounded college education and learning real-world skills in entrepreneurship, technology, and artistry to help them pursue their goals. The faculty and administrators are here to support your endeavors and are devoted to helping you obtain the tools and skills necessary to create a meaningful life in music.

To ensure that your transition into college life is a smooth one, McNally Smith has developed an immersive, team-based orientation experience to introduce you to our community and help you build a network of peers. Fall 2016 Orientation will take place beginning on Sunday, September 4 through the end of Tuesday, September 6. Those of you who will be living in the Residence Hall will move in on Saturday, September 3.

Orientation is a mix of both required sessions and optional, fun, social activities. We believe the orientation process is really important to help all students get acquainted with life at McNally Smith, so please make all efforts to be here for the entire orientation.

- Please plan your schedules in advance
- New and transfer students are required to attend orientation
- Students may choose to opt out of non-mandatory activities
- The more prepared you are for coming to college, the more you will enjoy the experience

PSEO Students:
If you are a high school student seeking post-secondary credit (PSEO), you are encouraged to attend orientation. We understand that you may have high school classes that conflict with some of the daytime events, but please keep us informed if you need to miss any of the required sessions.

International Students:
International students will meet with Kathy Hawks on Sunday, September 4 at 9:00 am.

Enclosed with this letter is an overview of the Fall 2016 Orientation schedule, a checklist of things you need to do before and during orientation, and other information to support your transition to McNally Smith.

Prior to Fall Orientation, you will be contacted by one of our Orientation Leaders (O.L.). This is a nice opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have and to connect with an upperclassman before you arrive. Our O.L.s are dedicated students who love the College and want to make your orientation experience a positive one. If you have any
questions for us in the meantime, please feel free to email or call the Office of Student Affairs at studentaffairs@mcnallysmith.edu or 651-361-3425.

Lastly, please note that if you have any questions with regard to your application status, please contact your Admissions Representative as soon as possible. The phone number for the Admissions office is 800-594-9500.

We look forward to seeing you at Orientation this fall!

Sincerely,

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