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To: The Board of Trustees, Wright State University

From: Chris Taylor – Dean of Students

Re: Division of Student Affairs - Fall Semester 2022 Good News

- Campus housing opened in the fall with almost 300 more students living on campus than in the fall of 2021. Two communities (Forest Lane & The Village) opened at 99% occupancy.
- Over 2,000 students attended Welcome Week events, including 400 commuter students.
- Student Involvement and Leadership saw a 43% increase in program attendance this fall as compared to the same time period the prior fall semester. The majority of these programs are planned by student organizations.
- Student Involvement and Leadership created an “Involvement Mentor” program in which trained mentors reached out individually to the entire first year class and provided information on ways to get involved at Wright State. Mentors also met individually with students in an effort to help students evaluate their involvement capabilities, assist with time management, coordinate involvement planning, and make recommendations for involvement.
- When the Raider Food Pantry fell low on supplies, the division took the lead in a campaign in which WSU students, faculty, and staff came together to provide significant support to help meet students’ needs in food and monetary donations (including a \$5,000 donation from Wright State Public Safety). 1,072 food items were donated and more than 1,500 items were purchased thus far using the monetary donations.
- Counseling and Wellness Services were able to meet increased demands for service that were up 8% over the same time period last fall.
- Last fall, Residence Life instituted a Residential Academic Ambassador (RAA) program of live-in study coaches that provide programming including study tables, study skills, and time management skills. The program has seen more attendance this fall than in all of last year.
- The Division of Student Affairs, in partnership with University Libraries, the Division of Inclusive Excellence, Chartwells, and others brought back Family Weekend (September 23-25) after a lengthy hiatus. A variety of programs, performances, and other opportunities were offered and enjoyed throughout the weekend.
- The Fitness Center is maintaining an average of 1,200+ attendees each week. Additionally, Campus Recreation reports that group fitness class participation is up 68% and use of the climbing wall is up 109% as compared to the same time period last fall.
- In partnership with the Raj Soin College of Business, Student Advocacy and Wellness launched a Financial Wellness program within their center.
- Student Legal Services awarded \$28,000 in scholarships for next semester (Spring 2023) to a total of 13 recipients, varying from \$1,250 to \$3,000. This is a continued endowment which SLS is committed to awarding annually to eligible WSU students.