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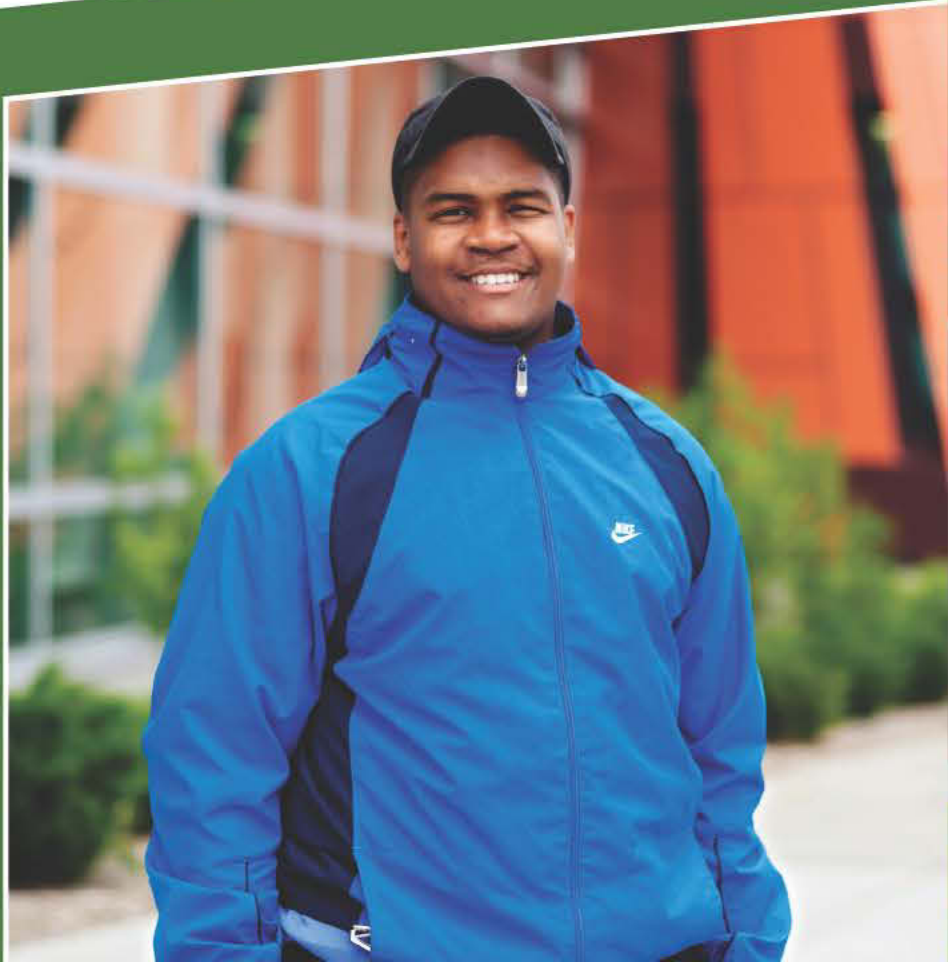
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FALL 2013 – SPRING 2014 HOUSING SIGN-UP

Now that fall semester has ended, many students are focused on where they will be living next year. As your student considers their options, we hope you will encourage them to live on campus. We are confident that they will find value in the support and services that campus has to offer. From neighborhood engagement centers to free laundry service and renovated fitness centers, the residence halls are continually being enhanced to foster student success and interaction with the campus community. Visit rhs.msu.edu/construction for the latest campus construction updates.

Students who wish to live in an on-campus residence hall or apartment next year should visit www.liveon.msu.edu and click on iLiveOn/MyHousing to sign up or contact the Housing Assignments Office at 517-884-LIVE (5483) or liveon@msu.edu. Those students who sign up for housing by April 1, 2013 will be entered into a drawing to win free room and board for the fall 2013 – spring 2014 academic year!

RENOVATED FITNESS CENTERS OPEN JANUARY 2013

The residence hall fitness centers which underwent renovations this fall are scheduled to re-open in January 2013. The new and improved centers will feature upgraded cardio equipment, telephones and windows that provide clear visibility into the room in the event of an emergency. Additionally, the cleaning and maintenance of the new fitness centers will be taken over by Residence Education and Housing Services.

COMMUNITY KITCHENS FOR FOOD, FRIENDS AND FUN

Just like at home, the kitchen is a gathering spot, a place for good food and good friends. Some residence halls have community kitchens where residents can gather or use the space to feed their inner chefs and cook for themselves. Armstrong and Bryan (both opening fall 2013 after extensive, hall-wide renovations), Bailey and Rather (both new fall 2012, after extensive, hall-wide renovations), McDonel (new kitchen in fall 2012), Abbot, Holden, Owen and Williams halls all have community kitchens and others are being added as construction projects progress.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR STUDENT

If your student is sticking around for the summer, encourage them to take advantage of campus' many summer employment opportunities available through Residence Education and Housing Services. Students can download applications for Sports Camp Assistants and Summer Conference Assistants online. Positions are also available in Facilities, Service Centers and more. Visit liveon.msu.edu/employment for more information.

SWEET SPECIALS FROM THE MSU BAKERS

You can help your student ease back into classes this spring semester by sending them a cupcake, cookie, cake or brownie! Send them something sweet from the MSU Bakers! Watch for our Valentine's Day specials coming in February. Order online at www.msubakers.com or call 517-353-9315.

RECYCLEMANIA SWEEPS MSU!

Your student can show their Spartan green colors and help MSU beat more than 600 other colleges and universities in the 2013 RecycleMania Tournament from February 3 to March 30. Students can help MSU collect the largest amount of recycling per capita and achieve the highest recycling rate by bringing their paper, cardboard, cans, bottles and more to the recycling containers in residence hall lobbies. Visit www.recyclemania.com for more information.

NEW! FREE, UNLIMITED LAUNDRY OFFERED IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS

Students who live in on-campus residence halls will soon enjoy free, unlimited laundry. The free service will launch during summer 2013 and will be available in Snyder and Phillips halls, which are located in campus' North Neighborhood and house students taking courses in the summer. Free laundry service will be expanded to all residence halls on campus in fall 2013. Annually, MSU students spend more than \$1.3 million on laundry service in the residence halls. The average student does 18 loads of laundry per semester, which equals a savings of approximately \$90 per year for those students who live on campus in residence halls.

THE VISTA AT SHAW DINING HALL OPENS

After a seven-month renovation, the all-new Vista at Shaw Hall opened in January 2013 for spring semester. The Vista features three new food venues, each with its own daily menu, atmosphere and seating area and serving a complete plate with entrée, sides, salad and dessert:

Main Street will serve homestyle favorites from rotisserie and carved meats to comfort foods and sides.

Garden Wok will offer a fresh mix of vegetarian/vegan entrees and Pan-Asian dishes; from noodles and stir-fry to curries.

Bread Box will feature hearth-baked pizzas, hearty pastas, deli-style sandwiches and full breakfasts to start students' day the right way.

The Vista at Shaw will be a Spartan Green, trayless dining hall as part of the Clean Plates at State food waste program.

