



Dear Football Family:

MARAUDERS! ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

I hope your summer has been enjoyable and filled with excitement for the upcoming season.

This year's theme: **Strong to the Finish!**

Summer camp will begin on August 4, 2008. The first general session with coaches, administrators and parents will begin at 4:00 p.m. in Smith Hall Auditorium. (Mandatory . . . don't be late).

Residence Halls will be available on August 4. It is mandatory for all players to live on campus during the summer camp.

What to Bring:

Bring with you anything that you will need for the remainder of the school year. Please bring all necessary football equipment, including cleats and a combination lock for your locker. Be sure to bring at least two sets of dress clothes for travel and other events during the season.

Registration:

Registration will be available to those not registered on August 4-5, 2008. All players must be registered by August 6, 2008 to participate. All freshman and transfers must be registered with the NCAA Clearinghouse.

Financial Matters: Freshmen and Returnees

Be sure you follow up with any outstanding debts owed the University. Make sure you have enough Financial Aid to cover the cost of your education for the Academic Year. Take care of this now so that you can focus on the season ahead. If you have already registered, please take care of your financial obligation to avoid being purged from the system.

Health Matters:

All freshman and transfers must have a physical prior to reporting to summer camp. You must have a signed copy of your physical examination from a doctor. You will also need a copy of your insurance card. This information must be submitted to Ms. LaShaunta Jones, Athletic Trainer when you arrive on campus August 4. Failure to comply will delay your participation.

Academics:

As a football team, we have done extremely well academically. We have 18 athletes with a G.P.A. of 3.0 or better while many others maintain a 2.5 or better. Freshmen, you will be required to maintain this strong tradition established by members of our program so come ready to learn and compete.

On behalf of all the coaches and myself, continue your summer and come ready to play. **STRONG TO THE FINISH!** Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 1.937.376.6008. Ms. Brown will be glad to direct your call to the appropriate person.

Yours in football,

Coach West and Staff