July 20, 2011

Dear Marquette Class of 2015 Parents:

Sending your son or daughter off to college for the first time is never an easy thing to do. In the next four years, your child will grow and change in large part based on personal interactions and the environment in which he or she is living. We recognize that the culture at Marquette University will have a big impact on your student’s growth.

We take every part of the Marquette experience very seriously, and we have implemented a prevention program to help our students – your sons and daughters – make the safest, healthiest decisions possible.

One way we do that is through AlcoholEdu for College, a three-hour, Web-based alcohol education program being used at more than 500 colleges and universities around the country. The program uses the latest prevention techniques and science-based research to educate students about the impact of alcohol on the mind and body. Whether or not your child drinks alcohol, AlcoholEdu for College will empower your student to make well-informed decisions about alcohol and help him or her better cope with the drinking behavior of peers.

Every incoming first-year student will be required to take AlcoholEdu for College and pass the course exam. We will be communicating directly with your student regarding the information and instructions he/she needs to complete this course. We expect Part 1 of the course to be completed no later than August 17, 2011.

While we are committed to making a difference with our students, we also understand that parents are the first line of defense against alcohol misuse and abuse. That’s why we have made AlcoholEdu for Parents available to you. I encourage you to review the course; instructions are attached.

AlcoholEdu for Parents is an online program designed to support your conversations about alcohol that will help shape the decisions your son or daughter must make in college surrounding alcohol use.

The program includes:
- A brief introduction and suggestions on the best way to start conversations about alcohol (15 minutes).
- An overview of the AlcoholEdu for College course structure and key concepts (5 min).
- Direct access to AlcoholEdu for College, in an easy-to-use format that allows you to navigate freely from chapter to chapter (approx. 3 hours to complete in entirety).
- Helpful resources, such as tips on talking to your college student about alcohol, fact sheets on alcohol’s effect on the brain, how alcohol impairs learning and memory, and more.

We are confident that AlcoholEdu for College will help ensure your student’s success at Marquette University and in the future. If you have any questions regarding AlcoholEdu for College, please feel free to contact Sara Johnson, Coordinator of Alcohol Programs, at alcoholedu@marquette.edu.

Sincerely,

L. Christopher Miller, J.D., Ph.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs

P.S. Don’t forget to register for New Student and Family Orientation and for Family Weekend 2011!
Parents Only
AlcoholEdu® for Parents Directions

AlcoholEdu for Parents will be available for your review after July 27, 2011.

To take AlcoholEdu for Parents, you will need a computer with internet access and audio capabilities.


2. Please review the minimum technical requirements available at the bottom of the AlcoholEdu for Parents Login page.

3. Under New User enter the following Login ID for PARENTS ONLY: 11P239105PARENT

IMPORTANT (please read carefully):
• Do NOT share this Login ID with your child, as he/she will not receive credit for signing up under this account.
• We have provided your son or daughter with a separate student Login ID. So as not to interfere with your child’s account, we also ask that you please do not use the student Login ID that we have provided for them.

4. Click “Submit” and follow the on-screen prompts.

5. When you return, log in as a Returning User and enter the same email address and password you created when you first logged into the course.

Need Help?
Should you experience any difficulties or require support, the AlcoholEdu Online Technical Support Center is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Simply click on the “Technical Help” button located in the upper right-hand corner of every AlcoholEdu for Parents screen. You can also call 1-866-384-9062. You do not need to be logged into the course to access the Technical Support Center.

Additional information can be found at www.marquette.edu/dsa/alcohol and learn about ways that your student can be involved throughout their Marquette experience.