2014 SPRING INVITATIONAL

This information sheet is supplemental to the 2014 LSU Spring Invitational [SPIN] poster and letter that you have received. Please keep it in a convenient location and use it as a reference should you or your students have any questions about SPIN.

When is SPIN?

LSU's 2014 Spring Invitational is **Wednesday, April 9, through Friday, April 11, 2014**. Students have until April 1, 2014, to register. *Space is limited, so register early!*

What is SPIN?

Spring Invitational is an invitation-only orientation program for students with outstanding academic records. Students who attend SPIN:

- · Can earn college credit before taking a college course;
- · Can schedule classes early;
- · Will meet faculty and staff and will learn about daily life at LSU; and
- Do not need to attend orientation in June and July.

Who is invited to SPIN?

Seniors who have been admitted to LSU and who have:

- Level One: ACT 28/SAT 1250 or higher and an academic GPA of ≥ 3.20
- Level Two: ACT 28/SAT 1250 or higher and an academic GPA of ≥ 2.90
- Level Three: ACT 27/SAT 1210 or higher and an academic GPA of ≥ 3.20

What do invitees need to know?

- · All LSU admission application materials are due before January 6, 2014.
- If grades were self-reported, an academic GPA of ≥ 3.50 is required.
- · ACT and SAT scores must be on file at LSU.
- Eligible seniors will be invited during the last week of January or during February following the February ACT test.
- Seniors attending SPIN receive many personalized, printed documents. Of those, the personal exam schedule and the "Profile of Academic Abilities" placement sheet may be used as verification of attendance. After they have scheduled their classes, seniors can also obtain a letter from the LSU Office of Orientation that will verify their attendance.

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First Year Experience Office of Orientation

November 1, 2013

Dear Senior Counselor:

The 2014 LSU Spring Invitational Program is April 9 - 11. Invitations to the program will be e-mailed to eligible students during the last week of January. Once again this year, attendance at Spring Invitational is limited to 1,700 seniors.

We have included a Spring Invitational poster for you to display on your school campus to assist you in recruiting students for this prestigious event. The poster will direct students to our website at www.lsu.edu/spin for more information on the program. If you would like more posters sent to your school for display, please email me at ksteve7@lsu.edu with your request. We will do our best to accommodate you while supplies last!

For your reference, we have included pertinent information in this letter as well as in the enclosed information sheet. Please use these documents as references regarding Spring Invitational requirements, reminders for seniors, how to verify your students' attendance, and questions regarding early departures from the program.

INVITATION REQUIREMENTS:

Only those seniors who meet the following eligibility criteria and have had their SAT or ACT scores sent to LSU will receive initial invitations:

- Level 1: Students with an ACT score of 28 (SAT of 1250) or greater and academic HSGPA of 3.2 or greater.
- Level 2: Students with an ACT score of 28 (SAT of 1250) or greater and academic HSGPA of 2.9 or greater.
- Level 3: Students with an ACT score of 27 (SAT of 1210) or greater and academic HSGPA of 3.2 or greater.

Note: A student's academic HSGPA is computed on academic courses only. If grades were self reported, a 3.5 HSGPA minimum is required.

Deadline: The students will have until **April 1, 2014 to register**. Since space is limited, please encourage your students to register early.

New ACT scores: The results of the February ACT test administration or a transcript may make additional students eligible. Throughout February, as we receive these updates, invitations will be mailed immediately. These seniors will then have the same April 1 deadline to register.

REMINDERS FOR SENIORS

Please remind your seniors interested in attending Spring Invitational that:

- All participants must be <u>admitted</u> to LSU before attending the program. Therefore, <u>admission</u> applications, and necessary documents are due before January 6, 2014.
- Official ACT or SAT scores must be on file at LSU. (To request ACT scores, call 319-337-1313. For SAT scores, call 609-771-7600. LSU's code is 1590.)
- The final deadline for receiving on-line reservations for Spring Invitational is April 1.



Office of Orientation

VERIFICATION OF ATTENDANCE

While attending Spring Invitational, students receive several personalized printed documents. Any one of the following could be used as verification of attendance:

- Upon arrival, each student will receive a personal exam schedule listing the exams, times, and locations.
- Before departing on Friday, each student will receive a placement sheet entitled "Profile of Academic Abilities" that will list the student's test scores, credits earned, and course placement.
- About three weeks after Spring Invitational, we will have a list of your students available, along
 with a summary of their test performances. If you would like a copy of the report, call our office at
 225-578-2634 and we will e-mail it to you.

Should your school require additional documentation, please instruct your students to request a letter of verification which will be provided on the Friday afternoon of Spring Invitational.

EARLY DEPARTURES

An advantage of Spring Invitational is the privilege of scheduling classes before other LSU students. **That advantage is lost by leaving campus early.** Please impress upon your students the importance of remaining on campus until they schedule classes. Our intent is to schedule classes for all participants on Friday, April 11, 2014; however, we realize that some students are required to depart before the conclusion of Spring Invitational. If they alert us to this fact on Wednesday, we will try to accommodate these students.

LSU appreciates your support of Spring Invitational. We especially want to thank you for cooperating with our efforts to ensure all interested and eligible seniors are invited. If you have questions or need additional information, call the Office of Orientation at 225-578-2634. We can also receive your inquiries via fax at 225-578-7899 or e-mail at orientation@lsu.edu. Additionally, if you need more information on any of our other orientation programs for incoming freshmen, please visit our website at www.lsu.edu/orientation.

Sincerely,

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