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Dear future Antiochian,

Congratulations! You are about to make a life changing choice. I love our small, beautiful community at Antioch College. I can't wait to see how you help shape it.

Let me introduce myself and preview some of what is to come and who will help you on your journey. I serve as Provost. That means I am responsible for the faculty who will teach and mentor you, the student experience that will shape you, and the curriculum and meaningful work that will prepare you to make a difference in your community and chosen profession.

Antioch College has always been a college that changes lives. We aren't like other colleges and we don't think we need to be. Our signature approach to classroom, co-op, and community (the "3 Cs") means you will be transformed by our focus on interdisciplinary inquiry, meaningful work, holistic advising, and a shared commitment to justice and putting learning into action. Antioch graduates are prepared to help lead the world into a future that works better for everyone.

We are proud that the world is again beginning to notice that we are onto something:

- Antioch has a unique applied liberal arts curriculum based in interdisciplinary inquiry, experiential learning, and action. This year, that earned us a **2024 Leading Colleges Award for Social Justice**.
- Last year, we scored **4.5 out of 5 on the Campus Pride Index**, becoming the most affirming private college in Ohio. Inclusion matters in our community.
- Last year, we achieved the status of a **Federal Work College**, becoming the tenth in the nation and the first in Ohio. Meaningful work is embedded in all that we do.
- Now, we are becoming a destination for the surrounding community with our **unique "campus learning hubs"** where we put learning in action: a sustainable microfarm, community theater and gallery, literary review, holistic wellness center, student-driven campus shop, and a justice center named after one of our most beloved alumni, the Coretta Scott King Center for Cultural and Intellectual Freedom.

You will begin to receive regular messages from various folks at Antioch as you consider your journey and as we prepare for your arrival. In particular, let me introduce you to the team of Deans who are each responsible for one of the signature ingredients of an Antioch education:

Classroom: Dean Snyder, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, dsnyder@antiochcollege.edu

Co-op: Luisa Bieri, Dean of Cooperative, International, & Community-Based Learning, lbieri@antiochcollege.edu

Community: Sherri Ihle, Dean of Students and Community Life, sihle@antiochcollege.edu

You will get to know each of us – and many more – in your time at Antioch. Always know that we are rooting for you and our doors are open to you.

Generations before you have made this choice, then gone on to change the world. We can't wait to meet you and introduce you to everyone who makes Antioch special, including Jane Fernandes, our President.

See you on campus!

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