Welcome to Lake Superior State University--we are pleased to have you on board!

For your reference, a schedule of events related to the meetings and activities that kick off our new academic year is attached. I would like to highlight a few of these events.

- **New Faculty Orientation** - As stated in your appointment letter, attendance is required. Orientation is on Monday, August 21, and begins at 8:00 a.m. in the Faculty Center for Teaching (FCT), Library 245. Plan to arrive about 7:45 a.m. for a continental breakfast and an opportunity to mingle with the President, Provost, and Deans. Lunch will also be included. Please prepare by doing these two things:
  - Complete a brief needs assessment survey so we can best tailor the day's activities: [https://goo.gl/forms/E2qJMfalktW2i2eH2](https://goo.gl/forms/E2qJMfalktW2i2eH2)
  - Go to the following website and take the Teaching Perspectives Inventory (TPI). Start by going to [www.teachingperspectives.com](http://www.teachingperspectives.com) and click on the yellow "Take the TPI" button. This is a survey with 45 rating questions and should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. When you have completed, please print your TPI Profile sheet and bring it with you on Monday. We will use this information during one of the sessions.

- **University Convocation** - Tuesday, August 21, we convene at 8:30 a.m. in the Arts Center Auditorium. Introductions of all new employees will be made at this event. Lunch (free of charge) will follow at the QuarterDeck Dining Hall in the Walker Cisler Center.

- **School/Department Meetings** - Your Dean will provide the time and location.

- **Professional Development Day** - On Thursday, August 24, short sessions on various topics are offered from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
If you have any questions whatsoever as you review the attached schedule, please do not hesitate to contact me or Marcia Jenkins-Ball at (906) 635-2211.

We look forward to seeing you at these important activities.

Regards,

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