Dear Parent/Guardian:

It is my honor to write to you, the parent of an academically talented college-bound student. My goal is to provide you with detailed information about Purdue University Northwest (PNW) and invite you and your child to learn more.

Established in 2016, Purdue University Northwest has roots that go back as far as 1869. As one university with two campuses, Purdue University Northwest offers innovative education to students from the greater Chicago area, the United States, and around the world. Balancing urban and rural campus settings, PNW offers one-of-a-kind proximity to active manufacturing, industry, the relaxing Lake Michigan shorefront, and the nearby opportunities of the third largest city in the United State – Chicago!

Purdue University Northwest is a fully accredited, academically celebrated, comprehensive university. Fostering a vibrant academic community through high-quality, applied undergraduate and graduate education. Purdue Northwest enrolls nearly 10,000 students from 47 different countries, and graduate receive a Purdue University diploma awarded at Purdue Northwest. Whether you are interested in business, natural sciences and engineering, mechatronics engineering technology, hospitality and tourism management, social work, or a degree you customize from one of the university’s 70+ undergraduate or graduate degree choices, your academic experience will be supported with excellent student service.

Completion of the English Language Program (ELP) at Purdue Northwest satisfies the English proficiency requirement, and students can get a head start on their academic coursework through an ELP Pathway Program.

You may be especially interested to learn that outstanding applicants will be considered for the competitive Chancellor’s Merit Scholarship of up to US$30,000 over 4 years (8 semesters). Applicants with demonstrated intellectual curiosity may also apply for the University Honors College, which is designed to enhance leadership and communication skills.

Undergraduate research is encouraged and supported through the Honors College and other special programs at PNW.

Our residential campus is located in the city of Hammond, Indiana, an urban environment set in Northwest Indiana 48km, or a convenient train ride, away from downtown Chicago. Students may also choose to take classes at the PNW campus in Westville, Indiana; accessible through a university shuttle. Hammond, and the greater Chicago area, is recognized for its livability, offering arts, culture, major sports teams, parks, Lake Michigan, the Indiana Dunes National Park, and is not far from one of the nation’s best international airports, one of its strongest city economies where innovation abounds, and is a great place to gain an exceptional education.

Please let us know if you have any questions by contacting us at iadmissions@pnw.edu. We hope you and your child will seriously consider what Purdue University Northwest has to offer.

Sincerely,

Joann Infante
Interim Director of International Admissions