





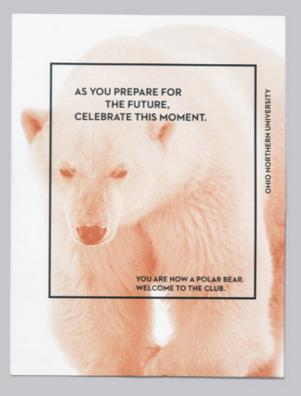




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BIG NEWS, AMY. NOW YOU'RE A POLAR BEAR!

Your future starts here, holding an unfolded piece of paper that has some big news on it. Strange thing to receive from a college, sure. But, then again, maybe this place is unlike anywhere else. A place that's small enough for you to get to know everyone, but big enough to hold all your dreams. It's a place that is missing someone exactly like you-someone that has accomplished an incredible amount just to get this far, and someone that knows that great things lie ahead. And we're incredibly excited to have you here. Let's look at what college might be like for you:

Your first week is a blur. New experiences, new places, new faces. It's all a little overwhelming, truthfully. You aren't sure what to make of everything.

But even through the nervousness of a new place, you recognize that there's something different here.

You make friends at Mud Volleyball. They're strangers when you start, but when everyone gets covered in dirt and their faces are stracked with tears from laughing so hard, strangers turn into friends. Teachers, classmates, loculty-there's no distinction in the mud. You make best friends that day, Friends that will stay with you for the rest of your like.

And then time speeds up. Your experiences, at first so fresh and new, turn to a routine that brings you comfort. You start every day with cutosity and an open heart, and you're amazed where it takes you. You spend every day writing at the limits of your cutosity with actorishingly intelligent instructors and students that push you to personal heights you didn't think possible.

The path you thought you know when you started begins to take on a new direction—and the sureness you feel about your future begins to reaheps tast! But any ou grow, this uncertainty is sensiting that you learn to embrone. Because by now you know that around the edge of uncertainty is entirely new visits. After cill, when you began, you didn't know you'd make the best friends of your life in a pit of mod, and now you can't imagine your life without them.

Time goes even loster still. The weeks are alipping by, and the months piling up one on top of another, until you've goes from an unsure newcome to a resolved groot all films; ONL Below, you knew a you've bashed. You order you cap and gown and penale providing to five of Friends. You torn't you family and make discover reservations. You begin the groots of learning the gas to the basecome as much of who you are, a sessiot to you being.

Pomp. Circumstance. Walk. Shake hands. Smile for the camera. And you're finished. Off to begin the next chapter. Off to live life as a person that you've spent so long becoming.

But always and forever, remember this moment-standing here, holding this letter. Dreaming of the preson you will become at CNU. Wondering how this person will think and les

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P.S. Keep on eye out for your formal acceptance packet, which contains all of the necessary information you need to take your first steps as a Polar Bear. Please out us if you have any questions, concerns, or general wonderments you'd like to show. We can't wait to hear from you. And we can't wait to see where this tourney will take you.

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