To UM Faculty,

Please join us at **UM Convocation 2023** on **Monday, August 28**, to help welcome new students to UM. This event provides students with a fun and meaningful introduction to their new academic home, and we hope you will be part of this fun experience!

Academic Convocation is a welcoming ceremony to officially welcome our new students to campus and to celebrate the start of the academic year. **The event will be held on the Oval in front of the Davidson Honors College.** We ask that you gather in the center of the oval 6:45-6:50 p.m. to locate the sign for your colleges. The UM Marching Band will lead students to the Oval beginning around 6:30 p.m. Everyone who’s not a student will gather near the center of the Oval to welcome students as they arrive. As students finish processing in, we invite you to take a seat/stand behind the student seating.

The program will feature remarks by President Seth Bodnar, presentation of the “Most Inspirational Teacher of the Year Award” to Christina Yoshimura, and a video produced by KPCN, our student production team. Afterward, students will break into smaller groups around the Oval to meet the faculty and staff from their intended programs of study. Each unit will be identified by signs. UM employees are asked to gather at these sites to greet students. Ice cream/popsicles will be served, and students will have the opportunity to collect their Convocation pin.

Your attendance will help make this a memorable experience celebrating the beginning of the academic journey for the Class of 2027!

Sincerely,

Registrar’s Office Team

*This message was sent by the Office of the Provost to all UM faculty.*