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Prospective Students Welcome at Fall Open House

High school students and their parents are invited to Fall Open House Saturday, Oct. 18, from 9 a.m. - noon at the Campus Activities Center at the corner of 2nd Street South and 6th Avenue South.

Prospective students can attend information sessions about admissions, financial aid, and residence life; talk with admissions and financial aid counselors, current students, and faculty about student services and programs of study in the colleges of Arts & Sciences, Business, and Education; and tour the campus and the residence hall. Students who apply at the Open House will receive a waiver for the $30 application fee. Participants may park free of charge in the parking garage.

"Students who are looking for smaller classes and the chance to know their professors have found us to be a good fit," said John Vassel, director of prospective student outreach. "Students and parents can visit and try us on for size."

Freshman Surge

While maintaining its small college atmosphere, USF St. Petersburg has grown in recent years. Admissions applications have increased by more than 25 percent in each of the last two fall terms, and USF St. Petersburg’s freshman class surged this fall to more than 350, up nearly 50 percent over last year.

Highlights of the freshman class profile include an average GPA of 3.5; average SAT score of 1108 and an average ACT score of 24. Minority students represent nearly 25 percent of the freshman class. The ethnicity profile of the freshman class includes an increase in students who self-report as Black Non-Hispanic, Hispanic and Asian.

Additionally, freshmen represent a broader mix of hometowns from throughout the state, and students graduated from 142 different high schools, up from 76 last year. For more information about the Open House, please visit gousfsp.org.