We are so excited you are considering living at the Sustainability House. This is truly a unique living experience that will enhance your connection to campus, issues of sustainability and others members of the house. This packet includes information on how to apply for a room in the Sustainability House for the 2014-2015 academic year. Please read through this information carefully and direct any questions to Jonathan Hetzel, jhetzel@winona or (507) 474-3700.

How many rooms are available?
There are single and double rooms available for 10 students.

Who lives in the Sustainability House?
The Sustainability House is designed for upper-class students who have a desire to positively contribute their time and resources to living sustainable lifestyles and promoting sustainable living. Selection is a competitive process. Applications, transcripts, and an essay are required and will be reviewed by a selection committee. Once students are selected, a meeting will be held for selected students to choose their specific room in the house.

How do I apply?
Applications for residing in the Winona State University Sustainability House will be accepted until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, November 4th, 2013 for the following lease year (August 15, 2014-May 15, 2015). Applications may be obtained online at the Housing website (www.winona.edu/housing/theme.asp). Interested students must complete an application, essay, provide transcripts, and agree to sign a nine month lease.

What are the opportunities and expectations for students living in the Sustainability House?
Students chosen to live in the Sustainability Theme House:
- Attend Weekly House meetings to discuss matters relating to the house, campus, community, projects and sustainable lifestyles.
- Hosts periodic open houses and other events or tours.
- Enroll for the Sustainability Seminar course (EL 201), which meets once per week for experiential activities in the community and earns students one-credit per term.
- Serve in a House leadership role, where each member is assigned to lead in a programmatic area.
- Commit to upholding the expectations found in the WSU Housing and Residence Life Policies and Procedures located at www.wsu.edu/housing.
- Agree to all terms and conditions of the housing agreement and sustainable student guidelines.
- Agree to follow the Winona State University Student Code of Conduct.

Please Note: If you have already reserved a space in another housing area you may cancel that agreement to reside in the Sustainability House without charge.

How Do I Print Off My Transcript?
A transcript must be submitted for EACH student along with the applications and essay.

Go to https://webproc.mnsu.edu/registration/search/advanced.html?campusid=074
Click on Login on the left side of the page
Enter Warrior ID and Password

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Application

The Sustainability House is a theme-based housing unit that is dedicated to sustainability. It should be noted that when applying for spaces in the Sustainability House, students are obligated to remain in this housing unit for the duration of the entire academic year. The Office of Housing and Residence Life expects interested students to put forth an honest effort to achieve a sustainable lifestyle while living in the house; This includes enrollment and active participation in regular house activities, leadership roles, and the 1-credit Sustainability Seminar each semester, amongst other efforts agreed upon by the residents themselves throughout the year. Once invited to join the Sustainability House, residents are strongly encouraged to extend house activities and programming outwards to the rest of campus to promote sustainability education and living-principles for Winona State University’s broader commitment to sustainability. Students residing in the Sustainability House model superior sustainability practices and participate in the following:

- Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle (and in this priority and order of importance).
- Use only green/non-toxic products in the house.
- Host/attend weekly house meetings to reflect on and assess progress with sustainable-initiatives.
- Assist in advertising, coordinating and executing the Dumpster Diversion event in spring semester.
- Maintain communication through the university website, blog, and email account.
- Collectively present one sustainability program per semester in a residential area or to the campus community.
- Partner with the Community Assistant to enhance and support sustainability programming efforts on campus.
- Research current trends and practices related to green/sustainable living at other institutions of higher learning.
- Enroll and actively participate in the 1-credit Sustainability Seminar courses each semester.
- Facilitate the Opening day Move-In Cardboard Recycling Project.

Name __________________________________________ Phone Number ____________________________
WSU Email ________________________________@winona.edu
Local Address ____________________________________________________________________________
Permanent Address _______________________________________________________________________
Major(s) __________________________________________ Minor(s) ____________________________________
Credit hours expected at end of academic year: ________ Anticipated date of graduation _____________

Please circle the top three positions that you would be interested in holding:

Advisor Liaison    Living Bravely Coordinator    Commons Area Coordinator
Lead Programmer    Social Media/Bloggers

Please list your past coursework, membership in associated organizations, community service projects, or other information that will support your application. A bulleted list is acceptable; please use additional pages as necessary.

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Construct a 1,000 word (maximum) essay stating why you would like to live in the WSU Sustainability House, enumerating your ambitions/interests with activities and events throughout the year, and how your knowledge and experiences would positively contribute to the living environment.

*I have read the Sustainability House Application and Guidelines document and agree to the following as my house agreement if selected to reside in the house.*

Signature __________________________________________ Date ____________________________

Any and all questions may be directed to the Hall Director of the Sustainability House:
Jonathan Hetzel, (507) 474-3700 or jhetzel@winona.edu
Return application to: Office of Housing and Residence Life, 235 Kryzsko Commons

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