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Atticus Lawrenz (LPS / St. Luke-Watertown WI), **Corey Tipton**, and **Maddie Uhlenbrauck** (FVL / St. Peter-Appleton WI) at the first-year Ballroom Blast.



RA Lexi Dabe (MLS / Beautiful Savior-Cincinnati) gave **Rachel Huebner** (Lakeside / Resurrection-Verona WI) a warm welcome to campus.



Natalie Luebke (KML / Trinity-West Bend WI) couldn't help but crack a big smile as she moved into her new home.

New Kids on the Block

One of the coolest parts about training for ministry at MLC is this time each year, as the campus family gets to know a fresh crop of students. For this week's issue, I asked some first-years about their experience so far. Here's how it went!

What are the perks of a small school where everyone has the same mission?

Natalie Hueske (Nebraska LHS / St. Paul-Plymouth NE) said, "I think it's easy to lose focus in a world filled with instant gratification and information. Being at a small school where everyone is pursuing gospel ministry helps keep you on track toward what's really important. It's so cool to see how God works in spite of our shortcomings to proclaim his glory to all nations."

Corey Tipton, Jr. (WISCO / St. Lucas-Milwaukee) said, "We all have something in common, whether we realize it or not. We're all here to change lives and spread the greatest message ever—that the world is saved by Jesus."

How would you describe the culture here on campus?

Jonathan Harbach (Winona HS-WI / St. John-Dakota MN) said, "Everyone wants you to succeed. The teachers really have a passion for the Bible!"

Stephanie Affeldt (KML / Bethlehem-Germantown WI) said, "I was very surprised by the upperclassmen and how nice they are. I was expecting to feel like the newest fish in the bowl, but they've been willing to help out all the time."

But we didn't just talk shop! I wanted to know my new friends' favorite things about campus so far. **Natalie** loves Compline, our Monday night worship service. **Jonathan** enjoys blowing off some steam with the Ultimate Frisbee Club after classes. **Rachel Huebner** loved the free concert that was offered on campus last weekend and New Ulm's HermannFest. Finally, **Trenton Huffman** (LPS / Faith-Tyler TX) so eloquently said, "The most exciting part would have to be the constant ability to eat almost whenever I want while studying for class."

One of my favorite comments of all came from **Sarah Hoffe** (Luther HS / St. John-Dakota MN), who spoke of the leap of faith it took her to get to New Ulm. She said, "I decided to come to MLC because I think that God can work through me in the classroom. I wasn't sure at first if this was the right decision, but I can already see him working here on campus and in me."

Taking the first step toward a career in the public ministry can seem like a scary notion, but no matter where life takes you post-high school, God will guide your steps! These first-years would be the first to tell you that you won't regret giving our little college on the hill a try. In fact, "You won't regret it" is a direct quote from at least three of them. **Stephanie** added, "The atmosphere at MLC is something I've never felt before, and training to be a teacher here is such a blessing." We know MLC could bless you and be blessed through you too! You can schedule a visit today at mlc-wels.edu/admissions/campus-visits.