

# FALL 2024 - SPRING 2025 HOUSING REAPPLICATION



February 11-18, 2024

Dear Resident,

In my previous email last week, it was stated that the 2024/2025 Reapplication process for current residents will be conducted February 11-18, 2024. The information for that process will be emailed to you on Saturday, February 3, 2024 and posted on the Housing website. In preparation for the Reapplication process, I want to share some of the exciting changes occurring within on-campus housing for next year. Over the last two years, the demand for on campus housing has increased, and the University's goal is to accommodate as many current residents and new incoming first-year students and transfers as possible. In order to accomplish this goal, the University is increasing the overall housing capacity for next year while providing a pleasing, desirable environment for living and learning. The strategies that are being implemented are outlined below.

First, there are several renovation and reconfiguration projects occurring over the summer of 2024.

- We are addressing heat and air issues in West Hall and Dossett Hall, by replacing the HVAC units.
  - In summer 2024, the units on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floors of both halls will be replaced.
  - During the summer of 2025, the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor HVAC units will be replaced.
- Beginning fall 2024, each room in West Hall will accommodate 3 residents.
  - Another bed, a bunk or single, along with a desk/chair will be added to accommodate 3 residents.
  - West will remain a female hall and the per person per semester rate will be reduced.
- The Powell Hall renovation project will be completed summer 2024 and back on line for fall 2024.
  - The ESPORTS Living-Learning Community will be housed in Powell for fall. This community is open to all students interested in gaming, E-sports, and digital game design.
    - If you are interested in joining this community, please select "Powell" on the Reapplication.
- Stone Hall will undergo renovations over summer 2024.
  - These renovations include: floor replacement, new closets, and new desks in resident rooms.
  - Stone will reopen for fall 2024 only, and will be vacated in December 2024 for additional renovations during the spring/summer 2025 to reopen for fall 2025. Fall residents will be relocated elsewhere on campus.
    - These additional renovations will include bathroom upgrades and HVAC replacement.
- In Buc Ridge, the HVAC units in Phase 1 and Phase 2 will be replaced over summer 2024 and summer 2025.
  - In Summer 2024, all of Phase 1 (with the exception of A&B buildings) and Phase 2 apartments will be off-line for this remodel.

- For fall 2024, most of the two-bedroom apartments in Buc Ridge Phase 1 and Phase 2 will be converted in to 4-person (Quad) apartments with two residents per bedroom.
  - The bedrooms will be furnished with bunk beds, desks, chests and closets.
  - The per person per semester rate will be reduced.
  - This change will open up additional opportunities for residents to live at Buc Ridge.

Additionally, there will be changes in some of the Living-Learning Communities beginning in fall 2024.

- The Pre-Health Living-Learning Community will move from Stone Hall to Buc Ridge into the new 4-person (Quad) apartments. This will allow for the LLC to grow their numbers and provide apartment living.
- The Transfer LLC that has been housed in Buc Ridge will expand to allow for more participants in the 4-person (Quad) apartments.
- The Public Service LLC that has been housed in Governors Hall will move to Buc Ridge in the 4-person (Quad) apartments.
- A ROTC Living-Learning Community is being formed in partnership with the Military Science Department and will be housed in the 4-person (Quad) apartments.

Rooms that can accommodate additional beds have been identified to provide additional on-campus residential space for current and incoming students. For residents who may need or want to select a new room location as a result of these changes, we want to retain you on campus and work with you during the reapplication process to accommodate your housing need for next year. If you are being affected by this process, you should have already been notified by our office. Please be advised that due to increased costs in utilities, maintenance, staffing, renovations, and food, there will be an increase in the housing/dining rates for 2024/2025. In the Reapplication process information, there will be a link where you can view the proposed rates; however, they have to be approved by the Board of Trustees before they are final.

Please read the Reapplication process information carefully as you receive it, and do not hesitate to contact us, if you have a question.

Best regards,  
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