

Northeast Community College

2020-2021 Residence Life Housing and Meal Plan Contract Addendum

Northeast Community College aims to deliver its mission while protecting the health and safety of our students and minimizing the potential spread of disease within our community. As a residential student, your housing experience will be impacted by a public health crisis like the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). The below policies and guidelines are incorporated into the residence hall policies and are applicable to all residential students. As always, we will update you with timely information about specific health and safety guidance important for our residential students.

1. Dates of Occupancy

Due to the change in the academic calendar, the occupancy dates have changed for the Residence Life Housing and Meal Plan Contract. The new occupancy dates are as follows for the Fall 2020 semester:

- Friday, August 14, 2020 (by appointment) – Wednesday, November 25, 2020 (5:00 pm)

All residents will need to vacate Northeast Housing by 5:00 pm on November 25th. There will be no exceptions or opportunities for residents to stay on campus, outside of being quarantined, after this day and time. Any changes to the Spring 2021 occupancy dates will be communicated with all residents prior to their departure on November 25th.

2. Health and Safety

We expect that all members of the Northeast community – residents, staff, and faculty – act in a manner that demonstrates respect and consideration for those around them, including respect and consideration for the health and safety of all community members. All residential students are prohibited from creating a health and safety hazard within Northeast and the College may request or require a resident to leave Northeast Housing if their continued presence in the housing community poses a health or safety risk for community members. Residential students are required to comply with health and safety orders, ordinances, regulations, and health and safety guidance adopted by the College as it relates to public health crises, including and not limited to COVID-19. This guidance will evolve as the public health crisis evolves and may include, but is not limited to social distancing, limitations on mass gatherings, wearing a face covering, contact tracing, disinfection protocols, restriction of guests in the residence halls, and quarantine/isolation requirements (including before or upon arrival to campus). Adherence to health and safety requirements applies to all residents, staff, and faculty and extends to all aspects of residence life, including bedrooms, bathrooms, community kitchens, lounges, hallways, computer rooms, laundry rooms, and other common spaces.

3. Guests

Residents will not be allowed to have guests visit their living space (room, suite, apartment, or house) while residing in Northeast housing. Residents may not congregate in public spaces for any extended periods of time. To assist with this, all public gathering spaces will be closed. Residents should not wait for their laundry in the laundry rooms; please put laundry in the machines, set a timer, and return at the end of the wash and/or dry cycle.

4. Limit to Personal Items

To assist with efforts to keep spaces de-cluttered and ready for move-out in a short period of time, residents may not bring excessive, oversized, or larger items to campus. As you start to pack and purchase items for your assigned space, please note the following items will not be allowed on campus: personal minifridges (provided in rooms for students already), large and/or oversized furniture which includes but is not limited to bulky chairs, recliners and couches, lamps, bookcases or shelving units, flat screen televisions over 42", old box style televisions, computer monitors that would exceed 42", and office desk chairs. This is not an exhaustive list. All items should be able to fit in your vehicle so you can remove all items at the time of move-out.

5. Quarantine/Isolation/Separation

At any time, the College may request or require a resident to relocate to an approved quarantine space or leave Northeast when the resident's continued presence in the housing community poses a health or safety risk for community members. Residential students are required to comply with requests from Northeast to leave their assigned space due to COVID-19 or other public health and emergency crises;

Student Initials: _____ Parent/Guardian Initials: _____

failure to do so is a violation of the residence hall policies and may subject a student to emergency removal from their assigned space. Not all Northeast on-campus housing facilities are appropriate for self-quarantine or self-isolation. Leaving your Residence Life assigned housing location to quarantine or isolate does not constitute a termination of a residential student's housing and meal plan contract.

6. De-Densifying Efforts

Residential Students are required to comply with de-densifying efforts needed on campus due to COVID-19 or other public health emergencies, including but not limited to, the relocation of all or some residential students to alternative housing. Relocation does not constitute a termination of a residential student's housing contract. In the event Northeast must relocate students as part of de-densifying strategy due to public health concerns for an extended period of time and alternative housing is not available, Northeast will offer impacted students fair and reasonable reimbursement as appropriate and based on information available at the time.

7. Dining Services

Dining Services, including where and how it will be offered to residential students, is subject to the discretion of the College and is subject to modification to address public health concerns. Due to health and safety guidance adopted by the College, Chartwells Dining Services and Northeast may limit the occupancy of the dining hall, limit the amount of time students may occupy the dining hall, or make other operational adjustments needed to address health and safety concerns.

8. Cleaning

Northeast will continue to implement and modify its cleaning protocols to address COVID-19 or other public health emergencies in the interest of minimizing the spread of disease. Northeast will educate and inform residential students on appropriate cleaning protocols within their assigned space to reduce the spread of COVID-19 within residence halls. Students will be responsible for upholding cleanliness standards and regular health and safety checks will be completed by staff members.

9. Termination

Upon reasonable notice, Northeast reserves the right to terminate housing contracts due to public health emergency needs, including COVID-19. In the event Northeast terminates housing and meal plan contracts due to public health concerns, the College will offer fair and reasonable reimbursements for impacted students as appropriate and based on information available at the time.

10. Hold Harmless

By signing this waiver, you agree to release the College, its agents, and employees from any and all damages, liability, claims, expenses, or loss (collectively, "Claims") resulting from or arising out of your use of space within College housing, including those related to the potential exposure to contagious viruses/diseases like COVID-19, and to indemnify and hold harmless the College, its agents, and employees from any Claims resulting from or arising out of your breach of the terms and conditions of your housing and meal plan contract. You understand that by residing on campus with Northeast, you are assuming the risks associated with communal living and as in any shared living environment, those risks include potential exposure to contagious viruses/diseases, including COVID-19.

Acceptance of Residence Life and Meal Plan Contract. Parent/Guardian signature for students under 19 years of age: By signing below, I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this Residence Life Housing and Meal Plan Contract Addendum and will direct the student to abide by the terms and conditions of this contract. The Addendum must be signed and returned within 3 days of receipt.

(Print Student's Name)

Student ID

Student's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature (if the student/intern is less than 19 years of age)

Date

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