

TAKING CHARGE OF YOUR CAMPUS HOUSING TOUR



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STEP ONE

PREPARE FOR YOUR TOUR

Find a supportive adult to take with you.

Some examples:

Foster Parent, Mentor, CASA, Caseworker, Education Specialist, Ris4Thursday Campus Advocate

Name: _____

Phone/Email: _____

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Why should you take someone?

1. They can ask questions.
2. They bring another set of ears.
3. They can help you carry all the campus swag.

Check out their website and answer these questions for each:

- The cost of options you like
- Access to parking
- Food options nearby
- Campus location
- Your dealbreakers

What are housing dealbreakers?

Some examples:

- Is smoking allowed?
- Number of roommates?
- Do you have to share a bathroom?
- How far is the walk around campus?
- Is there cooking space?
- What is the visiting policy?
- Are there quiet hours?

What should you look at:

- More than one housing option (Include your #1 choice)
- Laundry
- Common areas
- Housing services
- Food options

Recommendations from alumni:

Speak up for what you want to see. Always follow up with your supportive adult. Be present. This is going to be your home, and you want it to be the right fit. Do not leave without all your questions being answered.

What you should ask:

- Do furniture/appliances come in any rooms?
- What additional furniture/supplies are allowed?
- What does security look like at the dorm?
- What is a Resident Advisor or R.A.?
- When does housing close on school breaks?
- Can you stay over breaks? If so, does it cost extra? Is there anything open when it's closed, like food?
- When can you move in/move out?
- How does the school assign roommates?
- Are there coed housing options?
- Freshman requirements to live on campus? Are there expectations?

STEP TWO

TAKE YOUR TOUR