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Continuing Student Housing Application & Room Selection Process Frequently Asked Questions – Fall 2026

Housing Application Launch & Room Selection Times are approaching soon. Here are some frequently asked questions you will need to know to help prepare for room selection.

Who is eligible for On-Campus Housing? Any full-time registered student enrolled in **12 or more credit hours** and whose course schedule consist of 80% or more in-person classes, is eligible for on-campus housing.

To secure housing, students must complete the following by May 1st:

- Complete the Housing Application through the housing portal, and
- Submit the required Housing Confirmation Fee.

Only students who meet the full-time enrollment requirement, completed the housing and paid the housing confirmation fee will be considered for an on-campus housing assignment and enrolled in the housing lottery.

What is the deadline for continuing students to apply for housing? The **priority deadline for continuing students** to apply for on-campus housing is **May 1**.

Housing applications submitted **after May 1** will automatically be placed on a housing waitlist. Please note that being placed on the waitlist does not guarantee housing for the Fall semester, but it does ensure that students will be considered if space becomes available.

Students on the housing waitlist will be **notified no later than July 15** if they are eligible to receive a Fall housing assignment.

What is the Housing Lottery? The Housing Lottery is a room selection process which allows returning students to self-select their residential space for an academic year.

Current residential students will be entered into the Housing Lottery and given a room selection time based on the order in which their housing application and confirmation fee was received.

Who's eligible to participate in the Housing Lottery? Current residential students who have registered for 12 or more credit hours for the Fall 2026 Term, completed the 2026 –2027: Continuing Student Housing Application through their housing portal and paid their \$100.00 Housing Confirmation Fee.

When can I complete the 2026-2027 Housing Application? Current residential students can visit their housing portal starting April 1, 2026, to complete the housing application.

Housing Application Instructions:

- Go to www.centralstate.edu
- Click on Student Services & Select (Housing and Dining)
- Scroll Down & Click on Student Housing Portal
- Click on the 3-Lined Navigation Tab

- Click on Application & Forms.
- Choose the 2026 –2027: Continuing Student Housing Application
- Take time to read through and agree to the Housing Contract terms and conditions by clicking I Agree and provide an electronic signature at the bottom of the page.
- Complete Personal Preferences. A key entry is required for all questions. (Leave no spaces blank if the section does not apply type N/A or No)
- Select your Student Dining Plan
- Submit your application & close your Browser.

Where can I pay the Housing Confirmation Fee? Current residential students can pay their \$100.00 Housing Confirmation fee via electronic payment through the housing portal when completing the housing application.

Link to pay Confirmation Fee: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/iHwFuEVB>

(For your convenience, this link is also posted on the Central State University website under the Housing & Dining page, just below the Housing Portal link.)

Are all continuing students required to pay the Housing Confirmation Fee? All continuing students are required to pay the \$100.00 confirmation fee. This includes all scholarship recipients, international, and athletes who desire to live on campus. This charge cannot be covered by university scholarships nor posted to your account. This fee must be paid at time in which you complete the housing application. **Please Note:** Housing Confirmation Fee will increase to \$200.00 starting May 1st for students who have not completed the Application and/or paid the \$100.00 Confirmation Fee.

What do I need to do to participate in the housing selection and lottery? To be eligible, you must complete the Fall 2026: Continuing Student Housing Application, pay the Housing Confirmation Fee, and be registered for 12 or more credit hours. Once these steps are completed, you will be entered into the housing lottery for room selection in the order in which your Housing Application was received.

Can I run the risk of losing my selected room if I am not enrollment cleared? YES! Students who do not maintain an enrollment cleared status by July 18, 2026, will be purged from University Housing and will need to start the room selection process over once they have successfully become enrollment cleared. *Holding spacing once a student has been purged will not be honored, student will need to reselect a room assignment based on the available room list once cleared.

- **Tuesday, April 14th – Housing Lottery Number Distribution** (Numbers Generate by 6:00pm EST)
Selection Times by Lottery Numbers:

0 – 100: April 20 th	401-500: May 4 th
101-200: April 24 th	501-600: May 11 th
201-300: April 27 th	601 and up: Every Tuesday Starting June 9 th (Pending Space availability)
301-400: April 30 th	

Will single rooms be available during room selection? Yes. A limited number of single and private rooms will be available during the room selection process. Because these spaces are extremely limited and assigned on a first-selected basis, students are strongly encouraged to complete the housing application requirements as soon as the application opens if they desire a single or private room.

What if I have special accommodation needs? If you require special accommodations due to medical reasons, disabilities, or the need for an emotional support animal, please reach out to the Office of Academic Empowerment and Accessibility as soon as possible to discuss your needs and the necessary

requirements for your request. All requests must be submitted by May 1st to receive priority consideration for the Fall Semester. To request accommodations, please contact Dr. La'Schelle Jefferson at 937-376-6479 or via email ljefferson@centralstate.edu.

Do my future roommate(s) have to complete their “Registration Process” in order for me to choose them as a roommate(s)? YES, your future roommates must complete their Fall 2026 Returning Student Housing Application through the housing portal, pay the Housing Confirmation Fee, and be registered for 12 or more credit hours for the fall term to be entered into the Housing Lottery. To avoid delays in portal activation, it is strongly recommended that all roommates complete these steps around the same time. If one roommate has not fulfilled the requirements, it may impact the ability to successfully select each other in the housing portal.

Important Note: Before selecting a room, you must first complete the roommate selection process. Additionally, the housing system will only display available rooms based on the designated hall type and residential eligibility criteria. (For example, roommates wishing to live together in the Honors Apartments must have a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA and have Junior/Senior Credits for the system to generate a room selection in Wesley Village Honors Apartments.)

How often are lottery numbers generated to select a room assignment. Weekly. The Residence Life office will distribute housing lottery numbers every Wednesday, through May 15, 2026.

How do I locate my housing lottery number? Lottery numbers and housing selections times are in your myhousing portal under the “My Future Housing Assignment” section of the homepage in red.

When can I choose my roommate for next year? You can choose your roommate/suitemates at your designated selection time. Remember, everyone must complete the “Housing Application” process to participate. Once you and your roommate agree to live together, you should decide where you will want to live and who will choose during the housing lottery selection during your appointed time.

What are the requirements for Apartment Style Housing? Students who desire Apartment style housing must have already completed a minimum of 45 earned credit hours and are in at least 15 credit hours this semester. At the end of this Spring Term, residents must have 60 or more completed credit hours to keep their residential selection in apartment style housing (**M.P.C**). Students who desire the **Wesley Village Honors Apartments** must meet the same criteria as listed for MPC but must also be members of the University Honors College and/or maintain at 3.5gpa or higher. Students who desire to reside in **Shorter Road Apartments** must have already completed a minimum of 90 earned credit hours and/or a non-traditional student at least 23yrs or older.

When is Move-In Day for Upperclassmen? Move-In Dates are August 10th & 11th from 9am – 3pm
(Please monitor your emails throughout the summer for additional details)

How many students will be assigned to each room/apartment?

- **Ernie & Della Green Hall, Foundation Hall II:** 2 students per bedroom
- **Harry Johns & Fox Hall (Double Occupancy Rooms):** 2 students per room
- **Marauder Pride Community Apartments (Studios):** 2 students per studio
- **Harry Johns, Fox Hall (Single Occupancy Rooms):** 1 student per room
- **Wesley Village Honors Apartments (Rooms/Studios):** 1 student per room or studio
- **Marauder Pride Community, Shorter Road Apartments, & Wesley Village Honors Apartments (2-, 3-, or 4-Bedroom Units):** 1 student per bedroom

Can I change my housing assignment prior to move-in? Once a resident has made a room selection through the self-service portal and/or have been administratively assigned, that assignment is final. Students who desire a space change may submit a request starting the third week of the Fall Semester.

May I move into the residence halls or apartments early, prior to my scheduled move-in date?

To ensure residential readiness, early move-in requests will not be allowed. Only students who have received explicit written approval from the Director of Residence Life—such as approved student-athletes, band members, and Pirate Ambassadors—may move in early. All other students must arrive during their scheduled appointment times.

When will the residence halls and apartments close for the fall semester?

- **Thanksgiving Break:** Residence Halls will close November 25, 2026 @ 7p.m. (Halls re-open at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 29, 2026)
- **End of Semester:** December 9, 2026, at 7 p.m.

What is the Residential Layout for the 2026-2027 Academic Year?

Residence Halls	Classification	Hall Type	Room Type	Residential Criteria
Foundation Hall II	Freshmen	Female	Double Occupancy	New First Time & Transfer Housing
Ernie & Della Green Hall	Freshman	Male Housing	Double Occupancy	New First Time & Transfer Housing
Lt. John R. Fox Hall	Upper Classmen	Co-Ed	Single Room Occupancy & Double Occupancy	General Student Housing
Harry Johns Hall	Upper Classmen	Co-Ed	Single Room Occupancy & Double Occupancy	General Student Housing
Wesley Village Honors Apartments	Upper Classmen	Co-Ed	Studio Singles & Two Bedroom Units	GPA of 3.5 or Higher Must be a member of Honors College Juniors & Seniors (60 or More Credit Hours)
M.P.C Apartments	Upper Classmen	Co-Ed	Studio Doubles, Two- & Four-Bedroom Units	Juniors & Seniors (60 or More Credit Hours)
Shorter Road Apartments	Upper Classmen	Co-Ed	Three Bedroom Units	Seniors & Non-Traditional Students *Non-Traditional Students 23yrs or older