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YOUR GUIDE TO LIVING ON CAMPUS
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WELCOME TO NJIT

Welcome to Residence Life at NJIT. You are joining nearly 1,930 students who currently live in the residence halls. Since the first on-campus students chose to make NJIT their home over 35 years ago, thousands of men and women have discovered the benefits of campus life. The staff members in the Residence Life Office strive to create a living-learning environment where students thrive.

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THE RESIDENCE HALLS

Below is a brief description of each hall for this year. ALL buildings are not only wired for the Internet, but WIRELESS. Floor plans for the residence halls are available at http://virtualhousing.njit.edu/. Mattress sizes in all residence halls are approximately 36” x 80” (extra long twin).

Cypress Hall

Cypress Hall is a coed facility that houses 450 first-year, sophomore, junior, senior and graduate students in two-room suites. Suites consist of single and double rooms. Each suite has a shared bath. Rooms are furnished with a bed, dresser, desk, chair and lamp for each student. Each floor has two lounges with a microwave and sink. Double room measurements are 22'1/3" x 13'6" (bedroom) and 6'3/4" x 7'1/3" (foyer).

Laurel Hall

Laurel Hall is a coed facility that houses 582 sophomore, junior, senior and graduate students in two-room suites. Suites consist of two double rooms, one double room with a single room, or two double rooms with a single. Single rooms are reserved for returning upper class students. Suites are furnished with a bed, dresser, desk, chair and lamp for each student. Each suite has a shared bathroom. Common lounges and kitchenette facilities are located on the first floor. The approximate double room measurements are 12’ x 16” (bedroom) and 8’ x 12” (foyer).

Redwood Hall

Redwood Hall is a coed facility that houses 185 freshmen and some sophomores, juniors and seniors in a single and double rooms. Each room is furnished with a bed, dresser, desk, chair and lamp for each student. Two large common bathrooms are on each floor. A kitchen lounge with microwaves is located on the first floor. Room measurements are 11’6” x 18’9”.

Oak Hall

Oak Hall is a coed apartment facility that houses 180 full-time sophomore, junior, senior and graduate students in two person rooms and three, four-person apartments. Each room/apartment is furnished with a bed, dresser, wardrobe closet, desk, chair and lamp for each student. The rooms have stove tops, refrigerators, kitchen tables and chairs; the three and four person apartments also have ovens. The eighth floor is designated for graduate students. Two-person apartments end in room numbers 02, 04, 05, 06 and 07; three-person apartments end in 00, 01 and four-person apartments end in 08 and 09.

Honors Residence

The Honors Residence is a coed facility housing 360 first-year, sophomore, junior, senior and graduate students in single and double rooms. Each room is furnished with a bed, dresser, desk, chair and lamp for each student. The building features lounges on each floor, a dining facility, a convenience store and fitness center.

Greek Village

The Greek Village consists of five duplex homes for members of fraternities, sororities and students. The living, dining and chapter spaces are on the first floor and the student rooms are on the upper two floors. Each room is furnished with a bed, a dresser, desk, chair and a lamp for each student.
RESIDENCE HALL STAFF

DIRECTOR OF RESIDENCE LIFE
The director of residence life is responsible for the overall operation of on-campus housing. The director supervises the associate directors, support staff, and indirectly the residence coordinators and student staff.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF RESIDENCE LIFE - FACILITIES
The associate director of residence life - facilities is primarily responsible for administrative procedures, summer conferences, supervision of residence coordinator's (RCs), summer employment for student staff and the physical maintenance of the halls.

ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF RESIDENCE LIFE - ASSIGNMENTS
The associate director of residence life - assignments is responsible for housing assignments, living-learning communities, advising Residence Hall Association (RHA) and supervision of RCs.

RESIDENCE LIFE SUPPORT STAFF
The residence life support staff plays an important role in maintaining the day-to-day operations in the office. The support staff is responsible for assisting the students in answering questions concerning residence life and, when necessary, directing them to the person they need to contact.

RESIDENCE COORDINATOR (RC)
The residence coordinator is a full-time, twelve month, live-in professional reporting to the associate directors of residence life. RCs are full-time professionals responsible for the day-to-day operations, upholding policies, and educational and social functions of their areas. They are also responsible for the selection, supervision and training of the resident assistants (RA), desk managers (DM), desk attendants (DA) and office assistants (OA). The Residence coordinator oversees the students and staff in residence halls housing 180-600 undergraduate and graduate students.

RCs also oversee the development of the residence hall community. They serve as an active resource in the planning and developing of social, diversity, educational and recreational activities that enhance the educational experience on campus.

GRADUATE ASSISTANT - GREEK VILLAGE
The graduate assistant (GA) is a part-time, twelve month, live-in professional reporting to the associate directors of Fraternity and Sorority Life and Residence Life. With the support of the Offices of Fraternity and Sorority Life and Residence Life, the graduate assistant is responsible for the day-to-day operations, upholding policies and educational and social functions of the area. The GA is also responsible for the selection, supervision and training of the RAs and OAs. The graduate assistant oversees the students and staff in the Greek Village housing 240 undergraduate and graduate students.

The graduate assistant also oversees the development of the Greek Village community, serving as an active resource in the
planning and developing of social, diversity, educational and recreational activities that enhance the educational experience on campus.

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS (RA)
Resident Assistants are students who are hired and trained by the Residence Life Office to assist students living on campus. RAs plan activities, serve as a referral, assist in resolving conflicts and work to foster a community atmosphere that is conducive to academic success and social interaction. Each RA is knowledgeable about available resources, crisis management and programming. There is at least one RA living on each floor in the residence halls. RAs are the students' first contact for any questions or concerns.

DESK ATTENDANTS (DA)/DESK MANAGER (DM)
The desk attendants (DA) provide security for the residence halls by monitoring the main entrances and exits of the halls. DAs enforce the ID (No ID, No Entry) and guest policies. The desk manager (DM) is responsible for assisting in the hiring, training, supervision and scheduling of the DAs.

Residence Life also offers students the opportunity to work as mail people, office assistants, web masters and van drivers. During the summer recess, staff includes conference assistants, conference managers, desk managers, desk attendants and resident assistants.

MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL STAFF
The maintenance/custodial staff are responsible for the general maintenance and cleaning of the buildings. Physical Plant supervises the maintenance/custodial staff. However, the staff works closely with the Residence Life staff.

OFFICE HOURS
The Residence Life Office (Cypress Hall) has office hours Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Please note: During the holiday periods and the summer months (late May to mid-August) university business hours may change.

DUTY HOURS
RAs are on duty in each hall Monday-Friday from 4:30 pm-8:30 am and all day Saturday and Sunday. RAs maintain office hours from 8:00 pm-10:00 pm on weekdays during the academic year. During holidays and when the university is closed, RAs provide 24-hour coverage. The duty RAs in the residence halls may be contacted by calling the hall desk. Greek Village Duty RA may be contacted via the duty phone. During non-business hours, one professional staff member is on duty.
CHECKING IN

To check-in to your room, go to the building that you have been assigned. Check-in times are as follows:

**FALL 2015**

Upper Class Students (including new transfer students):
- Sunday, August 23, 2015 from 9 am-5 pm and 8 pm-10 pm
- Monday, August 24, 2015-Tuesday, September 1, 2015 from 10 am-4 pm and 8 pm-10 pm

First-Year Honors Students:
- Wednesday, August 26, 2015
  8:00 am-10:30 am
    Honors - Last Name A-L
  10:30 am-1:00 pm
    Honors - Last Name M-Z

First-Year Students
- Thursday, August 27th, 2015
  8:00 am-10:30 am
    Cypress floors 2, 4, 7
    Redwood - floors 3 and 4
  10:30 am-1:00 pm
    Cypress floors 3, 5, 6, 8
    Redwood - floor 2

Residents must have a valid ID card to check into any building and must present it to the residence life staff. At check-in, you will receive a room key or combination, a mailbox key and NJIT ID (if you are a new student). You will also sign a room inventory form. This inventory form is a checklist regarding the condition of the room upon check-in and an accounting of the room furnishings. If you find any discrepancies with the room inventory, you must document and return it to your RA within 48 hours of your check-in.

**LATE ARRIVALS**

If you have not checked into your room within 48 hours your scheduled check-in date, you will forfeit your room assignment and be charged the cancellation fee of $750.00. Refer to Appendix A.

**RESIDENCE HALL CONTRACT**

Once you take possession of your room key or combination, you are responsible for your room fees for the academic year. Students may cancel their housing contract by contacting the Residence Life Office in writing. Students will be charged to the final check out date, plus one-half of their remaining contract.
ROOM AMENITIES

You are encouraged to personalize your room in order to feel comfortable. Bring your favorite photos and posters, a new comforter, area rugs and meaningful items that make you feel at home. You will need to bring your own linens, pillow and telephone. Dresser and closet space is limited in your room, so we suggest that you bring only the clothing items you need for a season. Additional storage space is not available.

EACH NJIT BUILDING HAS:

- Air-conditioned rooms
- Single and double occupancy bedrooms
- Twin/single beds (approximately 80” long)
- Curtains or blinds on all room windows
- Carpeting
- Dressers, desks, desk chairs, lamps, wardrobes/closets in each room for each person
- Data jacks for each person
- A telephone jack
- Study/social lounges in residence halls
- A microwave oven on the first floor
- A television lounge with a large screen TV
- Vending machines (snack/beverage)
- Laundry rooms with washers and dryers
- Elevators
- Game room with ping-pong, foosball and/or pool table
- Restrooms on first floor
- Mail room
- Cable
- Residence Life Cinema
- Wi-Fi

ADDITIONAL AMENITIES IN OAK:

- Single and double occupancy bedrooms
- Kitchenettes
GETTING YOUR MAIL

Each residence hall has its own address. Mail is delivered Monday through Friday. In most cases, mailboxes are shared with your roommate(s). Mailboxes are located in the lobby of your residence hall. A mailbox key is assigned to you at check-in. Express Mail and United Postal Services packages are delivered directly to your hall. Your presence and identification is required to receive person-to-person mail.

Mail will be forwarded on campus when a student changes rooms or moves into summer housing. Residence Life only forwards first class mail over the summer. Residents are responsible for changing their address with all parties when they no longer live on campus.

Your mailing address:

- Cypress Hall, Room #
  - NJIT, 180 Bleeker St.
  - Newark, NJ 07103-3914

- Redwood Hall, Room #
  - NJIT, 186 Bleeker St.
  - Newark, NJ 07103-3915

- Oak Hall, Room #
  - NJIT, 155 Summit St.
  - Newark, NJ 07103-3501

- Laurel Hall, Room #
  - NJIT, 141 Summit St.
  - Newark, NJ 07103-3513

- Honors Residence, Room #
  - 156-182 Warren Street
  - Newark, NJ 07103

- Greek Village, Room #
  - 7-21 Greek Way
  - Newark, NJ 07103

PARKING

The parking deck is located across from Oak and Laurel Halls. On campus parking is available to all residents. To park on campus, you must purchase a parking decal. Parking information is located at: www.njit.edu/parking.

TELEPHONE SERVICE

You may have a phone line installed in your room by contacting Verizon (1-800-427-9977), when you arrive.

CABLE SERVICE

Each room is cable-ready and receives a programming package that includes basic and family channels along with HBO.
WHAT TO BRING TO CAMPUS

We recommend you bring the following items when you move into your room. The residence halls have items such as vacuum cleaners available; however you may want to bring your own.

Living & Sleeping
- Alarm clock
- Backrest/floor cushions
- Blanket/comforter/duvet
- Desk/floor lamps (not halogen)
- Light bulbs (Compact Florescent (CFL)
- Dry erase board/markers
- Linen/sheets/blankets – extra long
- Pillows and pillow cases
- Framed posters, art objects or decorative pieces
- Key/combo lock for dresser
- Telephone (arranged service with Verizon)
- Games/sports equipment for outside use
- Putty (for hanging items)
- Power strip with surge protectors
- Radio/portable music player and earphones
- Television, coaxial cable
- Vacuum cleaner
- Cleaning supplies for the kitchen and bathroom
- Toilet tissue
- Clothing

Storing & Organizing
- Command hooks
- Desk organizers
- Hangers/closet organizers
- Over-the-door racks

Laundry
- Detergent/fabric softener
- Iron (with auto shut-off)/ironing board
- Laundry bag/pop-up hamper
- Safety pins/sewing kit

Eating & Cooking
- Can opener/bottle opener
- Dishcloth and towel
- Flatware/utensils
- Microwave (<1000 Watts)
- Plates/bowls/storage containers with lids
- Refrigerator (<4.5 cubic feet)
- Snacks

For a list of prohibited items, see page 24.

Academics
- Book bag
- Calculator
- Computer with lock
- General school supplies: pens, pencils, etc.
- Laptop bag/accessories
- USB flash drive
- Ethernet Cord

Personal Care
- Bandages/first aid kit
- Toiletries: Lotion/Soaps/Hair Supplies/ Etc.
- Insurance card/medical information
- Medications
- Shower shoes
- Shower caddy/bucket
- Towels/washcloths
LIVING WITH YOUR ROOMMATE

The residence life staff at NJIT is committed not only to helping you develop intellectually and emotionally, but also to helping you grow and learn in your community. A large part of your daily living experience involves interacting with your roommate/suitemates. The roommate/suitemate relationship is one of the most important relationships you will establish in your college career.

Upon moving into your room, it is important to spend some time getting to know your roommate/suitemates. Discuss expectations right away to set ground rules and begin a dialogue regarding how your room will be used. This is also a good time to complete a roommate/suitemate agreement ([www.njit.edu/reslife/docs/Roommate_Suitemate_Agreement.pdf](http://www.njit.edu/reslife/docs/Roommate_Suitemate_Agreement.pdf)). Some items to discuss with your roommate/suitemate include:

- Daily Schedules-building times, study times, quiet hours, TV viewing, use of music players and volume, etc.
- Personal Habits-smoking (not allowed in the building), singing, exercising, snoring, gossiping, etc.
- Guests and Visitation-friends in the room, overnight guests, etc.
- Privacy/Personal Time
- Housekeeping-making beds, cleaning rooms and bathrooms, wall decorations, refrigerator care, etc.
- Sharing-use or non-use of each other’s clothes, records, food, bed, etc.
- Moods-grouchiness, illness, sadness, jealousy, etc.
- Rules and Regulations-alcohol, smoking, visitation, etc. (Remember, you are held accountable for anything that goes on in your room.)
- Values involving race, religion, politics, lifestyle, goals, etc.

ROOMMATE/SUITEMATE AGREEMENTS

The above questions are just a few of the items that the agreement addresses. If a problem develops between you and your roommate/suitemates, your RA can offer suggestions or spend time with you and your roommate/suitemate to help resolve the problem. The roommate/suitemate agreements is available to view and print from our website as well as from your residence hall office ([www.njit.edu/reslife/docs/Roommate_Suitemate_Agreement.pdf](http://www.njit.edu/reslife/docs/Roommate_Suitemate_Agreement.pdf)).

HALL COMMUNITIES/COMMUNITY STANDARDS

From the time you move onto campus until the time you leave at the end of the year, a community is being built on your floor and within your hall. Your community is made up of students and staff from different cultures, socioeconomic levels, races, religions and lifestyles.

As a member of a community, you will have the opportunity to create a set of standards for your floor. These standards serve as agreements as to how all the members of the floor community will treat one another. Standards may change as your community grows and changes, but it is important to realize that as problems arise on the floor, it is the responsibility of the
floor members, along with the members of the hall staff, to help you work toward a resolution. Together, you and your floor members can create a positive, supportive and enjoyable living experience in the residence halls.

COMMUNITY STANDARDS MEETINGS

RAs have floor meetings monthly for residents to discuss community standards issues on their floors, and to give residents pertinent information, discuss upcoming events and review policies and procedures. Each community standards meeting is vital. Community standards meeting times are determined at the first community standards meeting. Residents should contact the RA to find out what was discussed, if they miss a meeting. All residents are responsible for obtaining and following the information/changes to community standards. Accountability meetings are called as deemed necessary. Any resident may call a community standards meeting whenever they feel one is needed.

ROOM CHANGES

If a resident wants to change his/her room, he/she will have the opportunity to do so after the first two weeks of each semester, if space is available. It is the responsibility of the resident to get written approval from the associate director prior to making the change. This can be done by completing the information on http://rha.njit.edu/reslifedevel/roomchange/. Illegal room changes may result in a $25.00 fine per person. Look for room change information posted on the web and in your email each semester.

ROOM INSPECTIONS

Residence Life staff may inspect your room several times each semester in addition to the annual inspection by the state fire marshall. Residents are notified in advance of such inspections. Signs are posted informing students that inspections will take place within a two-week period. The residence life staff enters a room even if residents are not present. The residence life staff looks through each room inspecting for illegal items, cleanliness and safety issues. Residence Life staff will confiscate any illegal item(s) that are found. Confiscated item(s) may be claimed from your residence hall office by signing for them and taking them home before Thanksgiving and Memorial Day. After Thanksgiving and Memorial Day any confiscated item(s) that remain will be discarded.

During the room inspection process residence life staff makes note of any damages and will confiscate any illegal items. Failure to pass room inspections may result in fines of up to $50 per person and/or a judicial referral to Residence Life resulting in sanctions and/or dismissal from the residence halls. If a resident’s room fails inspection, the room is re-inspected within seven days. If the room fails the second time, the information is forwarded to the Residence Life Office for further action.

During break periods room inspections occur immediately after classes have concluded.

ROOM MAINTENANCE

All repairs and maintenance are completed by NJIT through Physical Plant and/or contracted vendors. Authorized representatives of NJIT reserve the right to enter a room for facility inspection for reasons of health, safety, maintenance and damages. Such entry is confined to reasonable hours, except in the case of an emergency. Privacy considerations concerning proper knocking and identification are observed. Entry without notice may occur in emergencies, and for routine and immediate maintenance.


ROOM SELECTION

Each spring semester, residents have the opportunity to participate in the room selection process for the following academic year. Students who choose to take part in room selection have an opportunity to choose their own rooms and roommate(s).
VACATION PERIODS

Campus housing remains open for Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks. Resident students are allowed to enter and exit the building as during the regular semesters. There is limited food and services during vacation periods.

TWELVE MONTH CONTRACTS

Residents are offered the option of taking twelve month contracts for an additional fee. This option includes summer break. More details about the twelve-month contract are outlined on page 25 (Appendix A).

NJIT ACTIVITIES

As a member of the on campus community, it is important to become actively involved in activities. NJIT regularly sponsors plays, lectures, seminars, musical performances, athletic events, festivals and fairs. More than 100 clubs, organizations, professional and honor societies, fraternities and sororities also sponsor events.

RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION (RHA)

All resident students are Residence Hall Association (RHA) members. The purpose of RHA is to represent all resident students in matters and affairs with the administration and other organizations concerning or affecting the quality of living on campus. RHA meets weekly in the Campus Center. Meeting times will be posted in your residence hall lobby area or you may contact your RA for additional information. For more information about RHA, visit their website at http://rha.njit.edu/wordpress/.

ON CAMPUS GOVERNMENT

All students are members of their buildings Hall/Community Council (HC/CC). The goal of the HC/CC is to improve the conditions of the halls, provide a voice for the residents and promote activities that interest the resident population. The HC/CC provides funded activities for all residents. Each building has its own HC/CC. Each floor elects student(s) to act as representative(s) for their floor in HC/CC meetings. Students also have the opportunity to run for HC/CC executive board positions.

NJIT CAMPUS SERVICES

DINING ON CAMPUS

All first year students and sophomores (determined by credit hours) living in campus housing are required to purchase a meal plan. For juniors, seniors and graduate students meal plans are optional, though most students select a meal plan. Meal plans are billed each semester. Please see the meal plans at http://www.njit.edu/reslife/rates.php.
IDENTIFICATION CARDS

To obtain a replacement ID card, go to the Security Systems Department located at 131 Summit Street (Laurel Hall, on the corner of Summit Avenue and Warren Street). You must have a valid NJIT ID and hall sticker to gain access into the residence halls. Your RA will pass building stickers out at the beginning of each semester. You are required to present your NJIT ID to enter all residence halls and special events on campus. Your ID also serves as your meal card. All members of the NJIT community must present their NJIT ID on request of any NJIT official.

SECURITY

NJIT has a professionally trained campus police force on-duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. A desk attendant is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week in each of the residence halls. Anyone entering an NJIT building, including residents, must have a valid NJIT ID to access the building. Non residents must leave photo ID at the front desk and wait for their host to escort them into the building. Guests under the age of 15 will need written permission from the residence coordinator of your building to enter.

INSURANCE

NJIT/Residence Life is not responsible for damages to or theft of items that residents bring to campus. It is recommended that you try to attach your belongings to your parents’ insurance or obtain renters insurance to cover your personal belongings. For information on purchasing insurance to cover your students property please view the following websites for additional information: www.njit.edu/reslife/docs/csi-brochure.pdf or www.nssi.com.
POLICIES

The following information is designed to help you understand the policies and procedures governing on campus housing. NJIT students are subject to all federal, state and local laws regarding criminal and civil conduct. When serious policy violations occur, a case may be referred to the Dean of Students Office or the Professional Code of Conduct Committee. Please refer to http://www.njit.edu/reslife/policy.php for the most current policies. For further information regarding NJIT policies, refer to the NJIT Student Handbook available in the Dean of Students Office or visit http://www.njit.edu/doss.

ADVERTISEMENT AND POSTING

Advertising and Posting for Outside Vendors and Student Groups not affiliated with Residence Life - Posting of any type of publicity in on campus housing is limited to the bulletin boards on each floor and in the lobby areas (nothing can be hung on individual apartment/room front doors). The bulletin boards are available to all University recognized student groups and campus offices. All postings must be approved and stamped by Residence Life before distribution. The following guidelines and criteria are necessary for approval to post or distribute publicity in the residence halls:

- The flyer/poster being requested for approval must be brought to Residence Life Office and stamped (located in Cypress Hall) before distribution (Monday-Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm).
- If approved, it is the responsibility of the requesting person or group to take the approved publicity and make the appropriate number of copies needed for posting or distribution in each residence hall. Seventy (70) copies are needed to post on each bulletin board by all elevators in all buildings.
- Only one flyer per organization, per event, per bulletin board may be posted.
- Residence Life will distribute the flyers in all buildings if requested.
- After flyers are stamped, Greek Village flyers can be distributed by Residence Life or they can be distributed by the Greek Village Office.
- No publicity should be hung anywhere other than in the designated areas in each building.
- Nothing should be slid under or posted on room/suite/apartment doors or posted on the front doors of any building.
- Graphics should be clear, concise and appropriate, in accordance with the previously stated items.
- Nothing can be placed in mailboxes unless each item is addressed to a specific building and room.

Failure to comply with this policy will result in a written warning from the Residence Life Office. If a group or organization is found repeatedly disregarding this policy, that group or organization’s material may be banned from posting. All material that does not comply with the above regulations will be immediately removed.
ALCOHOL

Because the majority of on campus students are under 21 years old, it is important that all students understand the rules and policies of the University and New Jersey state law regarding alcoholic beverages and the way in which residence hall staff and Public Safety will enforce these rules and policies. Violation of the below policies will result in a referral to the Residence Life Office.

A. Possession
   1. Persons who are 21 years of age or older may possess and consume alcoholic beverages, but only in the individual rooms of students 21 years of age or older.
   2. Consumption or distribution of alcoholic beverages is not permitted in any location other than in the individual room of students 21 years of age or older.
   3. The possession of containers that previously contained alcohol is not permitted by individuals less than 21 years of age. This includes bottles filled with sand, highlighted water, etc.
   4. The collection of monies prior to or during any function in campus housing where alcoholic beverages are served is not permitted.
   5. Any student observed bringing alcohol into a campus residence will be confronted by a staff member to determine if the student is of legal age to possess alcohol.
      a. If the student is 21 years of age or older, he/she is reminded that distribution of alcoholic beverages to minors and intoxicated persons is a policy violation.
      b. If the student is under 21 years of age, the alcoholic beverages will be poured out by the student.

B. Underage:
   1. If a student under 21 years of age is found in possession of alcoholic beverages whether the container is opened/unsealed or closed/sealed, the student will pour out the remaining alcoholic beverages.
   2. If students under 21 years of age are in a room where open/unsealed containers of alcohol are present, the minors will be considered to have been provided with, and in possession of alcohol, and appropriate charges will be filed for everyone involved. In a roommate/suitmate situation when no one else is present and where one student is under 21 and the other is 21 or older the presence of alcohol is permitted.
   3. Presumption of consumption if alcohol is present and student is under 21.

C. Common Areas:
   1. Students are not permitted to be intoxicated in public areas. The symptoms of alcohol intoxication include but are not limited to, being disruptive, slurring words, stumbling, vomiting or being unconscious.
   2. If a student is 21 years of age or older, he/she may transport alcoholic beverages to his/her room through common areas as long as it is in the original closed container.
   3. No alcohol may be stored in the foyer area of rooms in Cypress and Laurel Halls.

D. General Guidelines:
   1. Residents will be held responsible for activities that occur in their rooms, and will be referred to the Residence Life Office, if guests are in violation of alcohol policies.
2. In enforcing alcohol policies, residence life staff is required to check student's ages. It is the student's obligation, when asked, to provide proof that he/she is of legal age to possess alcoholic beverages.

3. A student may transport alcoholic beverages to his/her room through common areas as long as it is in its original, closed container. It will be presumed that any container other than the original, closed container connotes the individual has been or will be consuming the beverage in other than an individual room. It is permitted for persons who are 21 years of age or older to possess and consume alcoholic beverages, but only in the individual residents rooms of students 21 years of age or older.

4. Kegs containing alcoholic beverages and beer balls are not permitted in or around campus residences.

5. If a student under 21 years of age is found in possession of alcoholic beverages, the student will pour out the remaining alcoholic beverages (open or closed).

6. If students under the age of 21 years of age are in a room where open containers of alcohol are present in the room, the minors will be deemed to have been provided with, and in possession of alcohol, and appropriate charges will be filed for everyone involved. This does not apply to a roommate/suitemate where one student is under 21 and the other is 21 or older and the roommates/suitemates are the only persons in the room.

7. Parents/guardians will be notified by mail if a student is underage and is not emancipated when found responsible for a violation of the alcohol policy. When a student violates an alcohol policy he/she may be referred for educational sessions and/or an alcohol assessment.

8. Any party or gathering at which the rules and policies regarding alcoholic beverages have been violated will be terminated and all alcohol will be poured out or confiscated. Those students in violation will be referred to the Residence Life Office.

9. It is the responsibility of the students living on campus to maintain the spirit and letter of the above policies. It is the responsibility of the residence life staff to assist students in this regard and to deal with alleged violations when they occur.

10. Students who are intoxicated in a public area may be referred for public drunkenness. This includes being disruptive, stumbling, unconscious, vomiting and/or slurring words.

11. Failure to comply with the direction of or to present identification to University officials acting in the performance of their duties is a violation of the Professional Code of Conduct.

12. Supplying false information, such as name, age, etc., to University officials who are acting in the performance of their duties is a violation of the Professional Code of Conduct.


14. The Office of Public Safety may be involved for arrest, transportation to a hospital, for support, etc. in any of the above situations

**BED BUGS**

Residence Life, Health Services and Physical Plant work together to identify, treat and control the spread of bed bugs in accordance with specific procedures. The University contracts the services of a professional certified pest control company to handle any required treatments and follow-up treatments.
BRIBERY

Bribing university employees for residence life privileges is forbidden.

CLEANING

NJIT residents are responsible for cleaning their rooms (including bathrooms and foyers in Cypress, Laurel, Honors and Oak Halls and the Greek Village). Residence Life provides vacuum cleaners that can be signed out at each building office. These vacuums can only be signed out for a period of 30 minutes and should be emptied before returning it to the office. However, if a vacuum cleaner is not available, the student is still responsible for cleaning the room. Several times each semester and at semester breaks, residence life staff may conduct a health and safety inspection of each room to look for cleanliness, safety issues and illegal items. The residence life staff makes note of any damages and confiscates any illegal items. If a resident’s room fails inspection, the room is re-inspected within seven days. If the room fails a second time, it may result in fines, residence life judicial referral, sanctions or dismissal from the residence hall.

COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES/SOLICITATION

The use of university facilities and/or property for commercial sales activities by individuals or non-University organizations is prohibited. University organizations, within the limits established by this policy and other University regulations, and with appropriate approval, may sell materials to support the purpose of their organization. Solicitation by residents or guests is forbidden in the residence halls. Door-to-door advertising by outside vendors is not permitted.

CONCEALMENT OF VIOLATIONS/COMPLICITY

Any student who anticipates or observes a violation is expected to immediately remove themselves from the environment. Concealment of information is also considered a policy violation. Your presence during any violation of an on campus Community Standards or Policies ultimately condones, supports and/or encourages the violation(s) and you will be held responsible.

DAMAGE

Common Areas - Damages to residence common areas that occur through vandalism may be charged back to the individuals involved, the floor or hall. The Residence Life Office staff prefers to charge the individuals who are responsible,
rather than assess damages to the residence community. If you have information concerning damages in public areas, please share it with your RA, RC or anyone in the Residence Life Office.

**DRUGS**

Any NJIT student who illegally possesses, uses, manufactures, prepares, buys, sells, gives away or otherwise dispenses any controlled dangerous substances may be suspended or dismissed from on campus housing and/or NJIT. In the event that illegal substances are suspected in the room, NJIT Public Safety is called to respond. The Residence Life Office and the Dean of Students Office will take further action. The possession of paraphernalia for illegal drugs is strictly prohibited. Parents/guardians will be notified by mail if a student is underage and is not emancipated when found responsible for a violation of a drug policy. When a student violates an drug policy he/she may be referred for educational sessions and/or an drug assessment.

**FURNITURE**

- **All Student Lounges** – Lounge furnishings are placed in public areas for the use of students and visitors. The furniture in these lounges cannot be removed. Students who are found in possession of lounge furniture will be fined $50 and have a residence life judicial meeting.
- **Student Rooms** – University furniture or furnishings may not be removed from your room. Mattresses are to be used only on bed frames and not to be placed on the floor. Beds may be bunked and bed pegs are available from the Residence Life Office in each building. Beds may be bunked in the Honors Hall and Greek Village by submitting a maintenance request. All beds must be free standing on the floor, supported by legs attached to the bed frame. Personal furniture and furnishings cannot be stored and must be removed from the residence halls at the time of checkout. A charge will be assessed for removing items left behind. Damaged or missing furniture will be billed to the residents of the room. Because of excessive weight and potential for damage, liquid-filled beds and other liquid-filled furniture are not permitted. Lofts are forbidden, as they violate fire codes.

**FIRE SAFETY**

- The state fire marshal will complete an inspection of the buildings and student rooms. This will occur at least once during the academic year. Residents will be notified if violations are found and are responsible for remediating violations immediately. Any fines issued by the State Fire Marshall are the students’ responsibility and will be placed on their accounts.
- Candles, incense, potpourri or other flame-emitting articles are prohibited in residence halls.
- Electric scent warmers are prohibited.
- Outside furniture is not permitted in the residence halls.
- Small personal appliances that are approved by the Underwriter's Lab (UL label) may be used in the residence halls unless otherwise stated. Electrical equipment such as hot plates, hot pots, halogen, or other high-intensity lamps, immersion heaters, grills, space heaters, crock pots, air conditioners, electrical blankets, rice cooker, toaster ovens, etc, are not permitted. Soldering irons may be stored in residential rooms, but cannot be used in the halls. One microwave, up to 1000 watts/9.5 amps, is permitted in each room. One toaster/toaster oven, one rice cooker and one crock-pot, in Oak Hall and the Greek Village only, are permitted in each apartment/room to be used in the designated kitchen area of that apartment/room. Appropriate university personnel will confiscate any of the above items found in the residence halls. Confiscated items must be signed out from your residence hall office and taken home before Thanksgiving and Memorial Day. After Memorial Day any confiscated items that remain will be discarded.

- Extension cords or multi-plug outlets are not permitted. Power strips with surge protectors must be used. A power strip may not be plugged into another power strip.

- Students may rent (through NJIT's approved vendor) one MicroFridge (a 2.1 cubic foot refrigerator with a 0.7 cubic-foot freezer and 0.6 cubic-foot microwave). Students may bring two 1.7 cubic-foot refrigerators or one 4.5 or less cubic-foot refrigerator per bedroom. Information regarding rentals may be obtained from the Residence Life Office.

- The use of or installation of wood, paneling and/or tiles is prohibited unless approved by the University.

- Gasoline, benzene, chemicals and other flammable liquids are strictly prohibited.

- To comply with state fire regulations, fire drills are conducted in all buildings twice a semester. Everyone present in the building during any alarm must vacate the building according to instructions. Rooms may be checked during fire alarms to ensure compliance. Failure to vacate the building will result in disciplinary action.

- Fire alarms and fire extinguishers are located on every floor in each building. Smoke/heat detectors are found in student rooms and hallways. Tampering with equipment is a serious matter that could jeopardize the safety of a number of people.

- Tampering with any of this equipment may result in severe disciplinary and/or criminal action.

- The room is equipped with a smoke detector that communicates directly with your building’s fire alarm system. The detector is for your safety, and the safety of others in your community. If you experience a problem, contact your RA or the building office immediately. Residents are not permitted by NJ law and NJIT policy to tamper with, cover, or remove any fire safety device or equipment.

- Flags, jerseys, clothing, tapestries or other cloth items are prohibited on the walls and windows.

- Nothing is to be strung across the room for the purpose of decorations. This includes holiday lights and sheets and any other materials attached to the ceiling.

- In general no more than 25% of walls may be covered.

- Setting or fueling a fire, no matter how large or small, is strictly prohibited.

**FIREARMS AND FIREWORKS**

The possession, carrying, or use of firearms (e.g. pistols, rifles, shotguns, dart guns, paint guns, blow guns or ammunition), bows and arrows, handbills, dirk knives, razors, switchblades, other dangerous knives, fireworks, firecrackers, explosives or other dangerous weapons including martial arts equipment is prohibited in university residence halls.

**GAMBLING**

Gambling of any kind is not permitted in on campus housing.
**GUEST AND VISITATION**

Guests are permitted in NJIT residence halls, but unlawful occupancy by a person not paying to live in the halls may result in judicial action. A guest is defined as a person visiting a resident of the residence hall at the resident’s invitation. Guest and visitation policy violations may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension of all guest privileges, as well as sanctions for violations for the behavior of the guest(s).

- All guests must sign in and out of the building with their host present. Hosts must accompany their guests at all times while they are in the building.
- Students are permitted to have guests in their rooms only if there is no objection from their roommate(s).
- Any student who brings guests into the residence hall is responsible for making relevant NJIT regulations known to the guest and must accept responsibility for their guest’s conduct.
- All guests under the age of 15 must be accompanied, at all times, by an adult and are not permitted to enter the halls without prior written permission from a Residence Life professional staff member.
- Guests are not allowed in the residence halls without their hosts.
- Guests must provide a valid NJIT ID, valid high school or college ID, valid government issued ID, or a valid driver’s license (photo or non-photo). IDs are kept at the desk for the duration of the visit. If the guest does not have one of these three forms of ID, the visitor may display a passport, green card, employment ID or birth certificate to gain entrance into the residence hall. However, these forms of ID cannot be left at the front desk.
- Guests must check out of a building each time they leave (i.e. going to the Tech Café) and take their ID. Unclaimed ID’s are not the responsibility of the Residence Life Office.
- As a resident, you may not use your NJIT ID to sign in your guest(s). Guests must present their own identification.
- Each resident may have up to three guests (signed-in or not). A total of eight people may be in a room/suite/apartment at one time (including residents). This means, there may be no more than eight people total in a Redwood room, no more than eight people total in both rooms of a Cypress/Honors Residence/Laurel/Greek Village suite or no more than eight people in an Oak apartment (except for Oak 105, x08, and x09 rooms where there may be 10 people total.)
- Overnight passes are not required for guests who spend the night; however, guests are not permitted to stay more than two nights per week. Guests may not move from one host’s room to another in order to extend their stay in the residence halls. The Residence Life Office reserves the right to deny entry to any and all guests without prior warning.
- Greek Village students may access all residence halls; residence hall students may access the Greek Village only as a guest of a Greek Village resident.

**HARASSMENT AND ALTERCATIONS**

Assaulting, physically/verbally abusing, threatening, harassing, stalking, intimidating, coercing or otherwise endangering the welfare of any person (including, but not limited to, acts of discrimination, sexual harassment or assault) is prohibited. Students may contact a Residence Life staff member, Dean of Students or Public Safety to report any of the above violations.
IDENTIFICATION

Students must carry a valid NJIT ID card at all times when entering or exiting an on campus residence. To enter the building, students must use the ID card to "swipe in." Residents must first swipe their ID through a card reader outside of the building. The ID card must then be given to the desk attendant (DA)/security staff so they can verify the identification and they will swipe the student into the lobby area. Any guests with the resident should be signed in at this time. Lastly, the student will swipe to exit the lobby and enter the residential part of the building. Misuse of the NJIT ID, noncompliance with a desk attendant (DA)/security and/or failure to carry the NJIT ID will result in disciplinary action and/or fine.

In addition:
- Failure to comply with the directives of University officials acting in the performance of their duties and/or failure to identify oneself to these persons when requested to do so is prohibited.
- Students may not use false identification/information to gain access to someone’s room.

KEYS AND COMBINATIONS

Residence hall keys (room or mailbox) may not be duplicated. Room combinations may not be shared with non-residents of a room. A fine and/or disciplinary action will result from possession of illegal duplicates or unauthorized possession of any NJIT keys or combinations. If a key is lost or not returned at checkout, the cost of a lock change is $50. Mailbox lock changes are $25. When residents move from a room, the combination to that room will be changed. Only authorized NJIT personnel may change the combination to a room/suite.

LOCK-OUT AND COMBO POLICY

For Rooms with Keys:
- If someone is locked out of their room, resulting in the RA having to let them in with a key, the person will be charged $5.
- If both roommates are present and become locked out then it will be a $5 charge ($2.50 each).
- Students will not be charged if there is a fire alarm and they become locked out due to the alarm.

MISSING PERSON

If a student has been identified as missing, a student who is 18 or over, or an emancipated minor has the right to identify a contact person or persons whom NJIT will notify within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing. The contact persons information is considered confidential and will be accessible only to authorized campus officials, and it may not be disclosed, except to law enforcement personnel in furtherance of a missing persons investigation.

If a student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, NJIT must notify a custodial parent or guardian within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student.
In both instances, NJIT will also notify the Newark Police Department within 24 hours of determination that the student is missing.

**NOISE**

- All non-quiet floors are under 24-hour courtesy hours. Specific quiet hours for these floors will be discussed at community standards meetings. Courtesy hours require residents to lower the volume to a acceptable level when it may affect other students. It is important to remember that everyone has a different schedule for studying, working, sleeping, classes, and quiet personal time. Be considerate of these varying schedules.
- All floors are under 24-hour quiet hours during final exam periods beginning at 10 pm the night before Reading Day. During quiet hours, no noise should be heard outside of a resident’s room. Music, TVs, gaming, conversations, etc., should be kept at a minimum volume level.

In addition to courtesy/quiet hours:
- Stereo speakers may not be placed in windows or aimed toward the outdoors.
- Students may not shout or otherwise make noise from the windows or doors of a residence hall that is of sufficient volume to be heard from another building.

**PETS**

Pet animals are not permitted on campus for reasons of sanitation and safety. One ten-gallon (or less) tank for fish is permitted.
PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are not allowed on campus. The list is intended to be a guide as to the types of items that are prohibited. If any of these items are found in your room, they will be confiscated and it will constitute a violation of Residence Hall Policies and may result in referral for disciplinary action. Confiscated items can be picked up at the end of the semester or at break periods (Thanksgiving or Spring Break) for residents to take home (off-campus). Any items that remain will be discarded.

- Air conditioners
- Appliances that do not have automatic switches
- Candles, fireworks and explosives, oil lamps, incense or other open flame or ember devices
- Dartboards
- Electrical wiring that is homemade or otherwise modified or transformed
- Empty alcohol containers (unless the resident is over 21 years of age)
- Extension cords or multi-plug outlets (power strips are permitted with a surge protector)
- Exterior television, radio antennas, satellite dishes or any hardware that protrudes from a window or attaches to the exterior of a residence hall; hanging any objects out of windows
- Firearms and other weapons
- Flags, Jerseys, clothing, tapestries, etc. cannot be hung on walls or windows
- Gasoline, benzene, flammable liquids, chemicals, charcoal, etc.
- Electric scent warmers
- Halogen lamps or other high-intensity lamps
- Heating and cooking appliances such as hot plates and pots, electrical blankets, heating coils, soldering irons, immersion sun lamps, toasters, toaster ovens, rice cookers, crock-pots, grills and space heaters. Note for Oak Hall: one toaster/toaster oven, rice cooker and crock-pot is allowed in each Oak apartment/room in the designated kitchen area. For the Greek Village toaster/toaster oven, rice cooker and crock-pot are allowed in the kitchen.
- Hookahs
- Any electronic smoking apparatus
- Illegal drugs and/or drug paraphernalia
- Kegs and beer balls (empty or full)
- Kerosene lamps
- Lighted cigarettes, cigars, specialty cigarettes
- Liquid-filled furniture
- Live-cut Christmas trees and flammable decorations
Lofts of any type
- Microwaves over 1000 watts or 9.5 amps
- Mattresses (unless for medical reasons approved by Residence Life)
- Televisions exceeding 42 inches
- Neon signs and strings of lights (i.e. Christmas lights)
- Pets or wild animals (fish in a 10 gallon tank are permitted)
- Refrigerator capacity exceeding 4.5 cubic feet in size (only one per bedroom) or two 1.7 cubic feet
- Stickers placed on walls, windows and/or furniture
- Traffic or construction signs
- Weightlifting apparatus (barbells)

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Playing of sports, including but not limited to: hockey, cycling, in-line skating, scooters, football, skateboarding, baseball, lacrosse, Frisbee throwing, tennis, bowling, etc. are prohibited in the residence halls. The use of water guns and/or water balloons is restricted to outside the residence halls.

RESTROOMS

All restrooms in Redwood Hall are for a single gender and marked as such. No one of the opposite gender is allowed in those restrooms at any time. The same applies for the public restrooms in Cypress, Honors Residence, Laurel, Oak and Redwood halls. For suites in Cypress, Honors, Laurel, Greek Village and Oak, please be considerate of your roommate/suitemates and discuss bathroom usage by the opposite gender to prevent issues from developing later.

SMOKING

Smoking (including cigarettes, e-cigarettes, cigars, pipes, etc.) is prohibited in all University buildings. This includes all offices, hallways, restrooms, elevators, meeting rooms, lounges and individual rooms. Residents found violating this policy will be subject to disciplinary action, and will be responsible for paying for additional room cleaning charges.

Smoking outside of the residence facilities or any campus building is not allowed within 25 feet of any part of the buildings.

WINDOWS AND SCREENS

To protect draperies, sills and to help conserve energy, windows should be closed when you are not in your room. Screens/blinds may not be removed from windows nor may any items be placed/thrown out the window. Screen/blind removals are subject to disciplinary action and a fine of $15. Damaged screens/blinds will result in a minimum fine of $40 for each. Throwing items out the window will result in probation and/or suspension from the residence halls. No antennas or satellite dishes are to be strung/mounted out of the windows. For fire safety reasons, nothing can be hung on a window or hang in front of the window. The curtains and blinds provided in each room are fire resistant.
PROCEDURES

DAMAGE PROCEDURES

Damage Assessment

After check-out, the RA and RCs go through each room to assess damages and cleaning charges. This assessment, plus the total common area damages, is charged to the student’s account.

Damage Billing

If a student damages NJIT property, that student is subject to disciplinary action and repair costs. All common area damages in the residence hall are assessed as they occur.

PROCEDURES FOR POLICY VIOLATIONS

Policy violations that occur in campus housing are documented on a Residence Life Incident Report. (Examples of incidents include illegal parties, drugs, confiscated equipment, sports in the halls, etc.).

SUMMARY OF PROCEDURES

After an incident is documented on a Residence Life Incident Report, a copy of the incident report will be given to the RC (or designee) of the particular hall where the alleged incident occurred. The RC (or designee) reviews the report and sends an email to the resident requiring a meeting to be scheduled to discuss the alleged policy violation. Failure to attend any scheduled meetings with the RC (or designee) can result in additional disciplinary action including temporary restriction from the residence halls.

During the judicial meeting, the RC (or designee) will review the student’s rights and responsibilities, the alleged violations, and the incident report with the student. The student will indicate if he/she is responsible or not responsible for the alleged violations as indicated in the incident report. If the student admits that he/she is responsible, the RC (or designee) notifies the student of the administrative decision and any sanctions within five business days of the meeting. If the student pleads not responsible for the violation, the RC (or designee) will render a decision of responsibility based on all the facts presented in the incident report and from the conversation with the student.

A student has the right to request that their case be heard by another professional Residence Life staff member.

In all cases:

- An appeal of the decision may be made on the basis of 1.) a question of fact, 2.) a question of procedure or 3.) severity of the sanction. The appeal must be made in writing to the director of residence life within three business days of receiving sanction notice. Failure to comply with the sanctions levied by the RC may result in additional sanctions including, but not limited to, possible loss of housing.

All damages or fines are charged to the student’s account; the student is notified that he/she must pay these charges to the Bursar’s Office.
HOUSING PROCEDURES

CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

Read the “Checking In” section, page 7.

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES

To check-out of the room at the end of the semester, residents can either make an appointment with their RA to check-out or complete an express check-out.

For an express check-out:

Check-out within 24 hours of last exam or by the designated date and time. If there are special circumstances contact the RC.

- Pack up all belongings.
- Make agreements with roommate(s) to clean the room.
- Make sure all belongings are out of the room, and the room is clean.
- Return the mailbox and room keys in the “Express Check-Out” Envelope to the building office.

For check-out by a RA or Residence Life staff member:

- Make an appointment to check-out with the RA.
- Check-out within 24 hours of last exam or by the designated date and time. If there are special circumstances contact the RC.
- Pack up all belongings.
- Make agreements with roommate(s) to clean the room.
- Make sure all belongings are out of the room, and the room is clean.
- Walk through the room with the RA and sign the inventory form.
- Return the mailbox and room keys.

After all students have completed check-out, a residence life staff member assesses each room for damage and/or cleaning charges. These charges are automatically placed on the resident’s bursar account. Residents are notified of the charges and the appeal process by mail in June.

Improper check-out will result in a $25 charge. Late check-out will result in a daily housing charge for each day you or your belongings remain in the room. Failure to return room keys will result in a $50 charge and failure to return the mail box key will result in a $25 charge.

CLOSING INFORMATION

Campus housing remains open for Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks. Winter break is included in the academic year contract. Dining service is very limited during these time frames, as well as other services on-campus.

HOUSING CONTRACT

For the full text of the housing contract, see Appendix A starting on page 30.
SAFETY AND SECURITY

DOORS

Propping doors open severely compromises the security of the residence halls. If a door is propped open, remove the prop, pull the door closed and the door will lock itself. Do not prop doors open.

FIRE SAFETY

When a fire alarm sounds, ASSUME the alarm is real. Residents and their guests must evacuate the building immediately. If extra assistance is needed, please make sure the Residence Life is aware of your needs, EVEN if it is temporary. Failure to exit the building during a fire alarm results in disciplinary action. If a resident fails to comply with fire drill procedures, sets a fire, sets off a false alarm or empties a fire extinguisher, he/she is subject to suspension and criminal prosecution and/or disciplinary action.

FIRE EXIT PROCEDURES

1. THINK, AND THEN RESPOND QUICKLY BUT SAFELY. Common sense could save your life.
2. DRESS FOR THE WEATHER. Toss a towel around your neck in case you encounter smoke while exiting.
3. BEFORE OPENING YOUR DOOR, FEEL IT. If it is hot, stay in your room and call 973-596-3111 to let them know where you are. Trained fire rescuers will assist you.
4. IF IT IS NOT HOT, OPEN IT SLOWLY. If there is no smoke or visible fire, proceed to the nearest exit.
5. IF YOU ENCOUNTER SMOKE WHILE EXITING, DROP, STAY LOW AND CRAWL TO THE NEAREST EXIT.
6. ONCE OUTSIDE, CYPRESS/REDWOOD HALLS REPORT TO THE CAMPUS CENTER, LAUREL/OAK HALLS REPORT TO THE PARKING DECK, HONORS REPORTS TO GREEK VILLAGE SIDE OF THE STREET AND GREEK VILLAGE REPORTS TO THE HONORS GREEN. FURTHER DIRECTIONS WILL BE GIVEN AT THIS POINT.
7. ONCE OUTSIDE, REPORT ANY INFORMATION RELATED TO A FIRE/SMOKE, FELLOW STUDENTS STILL INSIDE, ETC., TO ANY STAFF AT THE SCENE.

KEY, COMBINATION, AND ID USE

Residents are urged to exercise extreme caution by safeguarding their keys and combinations, and should carry them at all times. Disciplinary action will be brought against any resident who shares his/her keys and or combinations to anyone who does not live in that room.

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

NJIT recognizes residents’ right to privacy, but maintains the right for its authorized personnel to enter residents’ premises for the following reasons:
- without notice in an emergency involving danger to life or property;
- upon notice for the purpose of health and safety inspections;
- for routine and immediate maintenance;
- without notice when a condition is observed that is prohibited by the Residence Life Contract, NJIT or residence life regulations; and
- when it is reasonably believed that a resident is using the assigned space in a manner contrary to the provisions of the Residence Life Contract and Residence Life or University policies.

Occupants need not be present for staff entry into rooms or searches for any of the above reasons. Residence life staff always knocks and announce entry. Residents are not permitted to enter another student's room in the absence of the occupants. An individual or general room search by NJIT professional staff and police officers is conducted only after approval from the dean of students is secured, or a legal search warrant is obtained. Object(s) of the search, as well as other prohibited items, will be removed. Items that may be legally possessed, but are not permitted in the residence halls, will be confiscated. Confiscated items must be signed out from your residence hall office and taken home before Thanksgiving and Memorial Day. Any items left will be discarded.
THEFT

All thefts should be reported to the residence life staff and Public Safety Department immediately (973-596-3120). The Residence Life Office and NJIT are not responsible for loss of or damages to, any personal property. Because there is the possibility of theft and damage, residents are requested to check their family insurance policy to see if it covers any losses, or to obtain rental insurance.

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

(Area code is 973)

Admissions........................................596-3300
Athletics.........................................596-3636
ASC..................................................596-5598
Bookstore........................................596-3200
Bursar .............................................596-3148
Card Access Services .......................642-7190
Campus Center Desk .........................596-3605
Career Development Services ............596-3100
Computing Services Helpdesk .............596-2900
Center for Counseling and Psychological Services ........................................596-3414
Center for First Year Students .............596-2881
Center for Leadership .......................596-5640
Dean of Students ................................596-3466
EOP Office .......................................596-3690
Financial Aid ...................................596-3479
Fleisher Athletic Center .....................596-5730
Fraternity & Sorority Life ....................596-3087
Health Services ..................................596-3621
Honors College ................................596-5780
International Students .....................596-2451
Learning Communities .....................596-3470
Library .............................................596-3206
Media Services ..................................596-3005
Murray Center for Women in Technology ....596-4885
Parking Services ...............................642-7190
Parent Services ..................................596-3470
Pre-College Programs .........................596-5841
Public Safety (Emergency) ................596-3111
Public Safety (Non-emergency) .........596-3120
Registrar .........................................596-3236
Residence Life Office .........................596-3039
Theatre............................................596-3455
TLC..................................................596-2992
Veteran Services ...............................596-3470
Vice President of Academic Support & Student Affairs ..........................642-6476
Student Support Services Program .........642-4270

Residences: Desk: Office:
Cypress Hall.................................642-7161.........596-5403
Laurel Hall....................................596-5792.........642-7271
Oak Hall ........................................596-5636.........596-5653
Redwood Hall..................596-3040...........596-5414
Honors Residence..........596-5530 or 5539 ..596-5527
Greek Village.................................596-5511
RESIDENCE LIFE CONTRACT 2015-2016

RESIDENCE CONTRACT

This document constitutes a contract between the undersigned student-resident (hereinafter called “Resident”) and the New Jersey Institute of Technology (hereinafter called “University”). It sets forth the terms and conditions under which the resident will occupy the premises in University residence facilities. This contract is subject to the availability of space at the time this contract is received by the Residence Life Office. The University preference is to provide accommodations to full-time matriculated students first.

HOUSING INFORMATION

1. Residents are assigned roommates without regard to race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, physical disability or sexual orientation.
2. University housing contracts for new students (i.e. non-continuing students) who have submitted an online contract and the $50 housing deposit (excluding summer) are assigned according to the application date, distance from the University and student need.
3. University housing contracts for continuing students, both residents and commuters, summer housing do not require a $50 housing deposit.

TERMS OF CONTRACT

ACADEMIC-YEAR CONTRACT (9-MONTH)

The University shall provide the resident with the use of a residence hall space for one academic-year or balance remaining at the time of assignment. This period does NOT include summer break. The contract period commences on the day before the start of fall classes and ends on the last day of exams at the end of the semester or 24 hours after a resident’s last exam, whichever is earlier.

TWELVE-MONTH CONTRACT

The University shall provide the resident with the use of a residence hall space 24 hours before classes for the student’s specific school or program year begins and ends on July 31, 2016 for students not returning to housing for the next year. Students returning to housing for the 2016-2017 academic-year may remain in housing through the beginning of the new contract period. Changes to the chosen occupancy period may not be made after October 31, 2015. Residents may be required to move to another location during the summer break.

SUMMER CONTRACT

University shall provide the resident with the use of a residence hall space during the summer session. The contract period commences and ends on dates agreed upon.

- Summer housing assignments are planned for the Laurel Hall extension – subject to change.
- Residence Life must receive a copy of your summer school registration for classes outside of NJIT.
- Students or visitors requesting housing without taking classes must provide a written letter from their employer. Except NJIT Co-Op’s, Residence Life will verify employment with Career Development Services.
- Rooms will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis until all allocated rooms have been filled. You may request another summer housing resident as a roommate. However, it is not guaranteed.
- If you are on a twelve-month contract, you are automatically signed-up for a summer assignment. If you are not returning for the fall semester your contract ends on July 31, 2016. You are expected to check-out on or prior to that date unless arrangements have been made.
- Single rooms may be assigned by one of the following criteria:
  - a current resident is staying through closing and for at least summer session one or
  - it is a summer resident’s fall assignment and they are staying for the entire summer period or
  - the individual is part of a conference group or visiting intern.
- Applications will be accepted throughout the summer.
ALL CONTRACT (EXCLUDING SUMMER)

Written notification from the University to a Resident of his/her removal and prohibition from University Housing may also terminate the contract.

In consideration of either the academic-year or twelve-month housing assignment, the Resident agrees to:
1. Pay the residence hall room charge for an entire contract (less the $50 deposit).
2. Purchase a meal plan (except junior, senior and graduate students).

Residents are billed these charges per semester by the Bursar's Office.

PAYMENT AND CANCELLATION

FOR ALL STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SUMMER)

For All Students (excluding summer) – There is a **$750.00 cancellation charge** for all students canceling their contracts PRIOR to August 7, 2015. After this date students will be charged up until the date of check-out plus one half of the remainder of their contract. Students who have not taken possession of their room within 48 hours of the check-in date will forfeit their room assignment and will be charged up until the date of check-out plus one half of the remainder of their contract.

IN ALL CASES (EXCLUDING SUMMER)

Residents may cancel their contract by contacting the Residence Life Office in person or in writing. Residents canceling their contract must complete an official check out and that will determine the final date of the resident's occupation of the residence hall space. **Residents canceling their contract after August 7, 2015 will be charged to the final date of their official check-out plus one half of the remainder of their contract.** Students applying for spring 2016 housing will be charged $750.00 cancellation charge prior to the official residence hall check-in date. Students who cancel after this time will be charged to the final date of their official check-out plus one half of the remainder of their contract. Any resident who cancels after the close of the fall semester will be billed the weekly rate to the date of check out for winter housing and one half of the remainder of their contract.

SUMMER HOUSING CONTRACT

There is a $150 cancellation charge for all students canceling their summer contracts prior to check-in. Residents who have not taken possession of their room within 48 hours of the check-in date will forfeit their room assignment and will be charged the $150 cancellation fee in addition to losing their deposit, if any. **Written notification from the University to a Resident of his/her removal and prohibition from University Housing may also terminate the contract.**

THE RESIDENT AGREES:

1. To be accountable for his/her behavior and the behavior of all guests.
2. To abide by the policies and procedures contained in the contract, “Residence Life – Your Guide to Living on Campus” and “Student Handbook”, including all amendments and modifications that may be made during the year.
3. To abide by all Federal, State and Local laws.
4. To reside in the assigned room with the assigned roommate and to vacate and remove all personal property upon termination of this contract.
5. To abide by all policies regarding changing room assignments. Approved room changes occur during a specific time period each semester. The assistant director must approve room changes.
6. To not allow anyone other than the assigned roommate to live in the room.
7. To assume all responsibility for personal belongings. The University is not responsible for damage or loss to Resident’s personal property regardless of cause. Residents are strongly encouraged to carry personal insurance to cover their personal property while located at NJIT.
8. To keep the room or suite clean and fit for habitation. The Resident will be responsible for all damages to University property or premises as a result of the Resident’s neglect or willful behavior.
9. To complete all property records within 24 hours of occupying a space. These forms, countersigned by an Residence Life staff member will be the basis for damage assessments.
10. To be held responsible for damages to common areas when individual responsibility is not implicated.
11. To not loan out, duplicate or share keys or room combinations and to report lost or stolen keys or combinations immediately.

12. To not smoke inside any residence hall, whether a public or private room.

13. To abide by quiet hours or community standards for your floor.

14. To abide by the Guest and Visitation Policy.

15. To not have pets, other than fish in a 10-gallon or less tank.

16. To not have, use or possess firearms, ammunition, other weapons, nor flammable materials or substances (i.e. live Christmas trees, gasoline, fireworks, candles, oil paint thinner, etc.).

17. To not use halogen lamps.

18. To not use microwave ovens over 1000 watts or 9.5 amps in student rooms.

19. To not use high wattage electrical appliances (i.e. hot plates, toaster ovens, air conditioners, more than two refrigerators exceeding 1.7 cubic feet each or one exceeding 4.5 cubic feet per room). Oak Hall has some exceptions that are outlined in “Residence Life at NJIT.”

20. To not use external antennas.

21. To not have liquid-filled beds or lofts.

22. To not paint on any surfaces and/or fixtures.

23. To not remove or open window screens or to pass or throw anything through windows.

**THE UNIVERSITY:**

The University recognizes Residents' rights to privacy but maintains the right for its authorized personnel to enter Residents’ premises for the following reasons: (1) without notice in an emergency involving danger to life or property; (2) upon notice for the purpose of health and safety inspections; (3) for routine and immediate maintenance; (4) without notice when a condition is observed that is prohibited by this contract, University or Residence Life regulations; and (5) when it is reasonably believed that a Resident is using the assigned space in a manner contrary to the provisions of this contract, University or Residence Life policies.

2. Reserves the right, in the interest of safety, to remove prohibited items without advance notice. Items will be stored, until they can be retrieved and removed from the residence halls. Items not picked up by Martin Luther King Jr. Day for fall semester and Memorial Day for spring semester will be discarded.

3. **Shall not be responsible for damages caused by:** failure of water supply, electrical current or heating/cooling system; presence of bugs or vermin; nor injury to a Resident, his/her guest or the property of the Resident or guest.

4. Agrees to exercise every reasonable caution to safeguard the health safety and property of each Resident and will make a good faith effort to repair properly reported defects or deficiencies in the residence halls.

5. Agrees to provide the Resident with a meal plan, while classes are in session at the Resident’s expense.

6. Reserves the right to take appropriate disciplinary action, including immediate termination of the contract and immediate eviction from University housing for conduct which is found by the University to be in violation of the University's policies and/or contract or which is otherwise detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the Resident or others, or disruptive of the housing environment. In the event disciplinary action results in eviction and/or termination of contract, the resident shall still be responsible for payment of the contract in full.

7. Reserves the right to move a Resident from one room to another when the University determines that the move is in the Resident’s best interest or those of his/her fellow students and/or the University.

8. Reserves the right to reassign Residents during the semester in order to consolidate vacant spaces and to increase room occupancy.

9. Reserves the right in its sole discretion to remove a Resident from University housing and terminate the contract for failure to meet financial obligations to the University.

Any Resident whose contract is terminated is responsible for all financial obligations as stipulated herein and is required to vacate the room within 48 hours or as stated in writing by the University.