

Address Spring 2020 Housing Questions

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Dear Obies,

We hope this message finds you and your loved ones safe and well. We deeply appreciate your patience during this challenging time and regret that your Oberlin experience has been altered due to the pandemic. We are writing to address a number of issues impacted by your unexpected departure this spring and to share with you next steps as we begin to plan for a return to campus as soon as public health officials and the state of Ohio confirm it is safe to do so.

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If you remained in College housing after March 16....

- Please let us know if you are still living on campus by emailing resed@oberlin.edu. We need to confirm your presence or date of departure for processes including housing/dining refunds, meal planning, and for health/safety reasons. Your email should contain the following information:
 - Statement indicating **whether you are still on campus**.
 - If you left, the date of your departure; or, if you are planning to leave, your expected date of departure.
 - Any supportive documentation you think would be helpful (e.g., airline ticket confirmation).

If you left boxes/personal items in your room....

- **Any belongings in your room** have been boxed, labeled and relocated to storage space within your building.
- **If you are returning to campus when the College reopens**, your belongings will be moved into your fall placement prior to your arrival.
- **If you would like to come to campus to pick up your items before the College reopens**, please contact your [Area Coordinator](#) to schedule a time for pick-up. **Please monitor Ohio policy**. While the current stay home order expires on May 29th, should Governor DeWine impose another stay home order, we will not be able to welcome you to campus until it is lifted.
- **If you are not returning to campus and would like to have the items shipped**, we will assist you in setting up shipment to your address. Costs will be billed to your student account. If you have financial need in regard to shipping costs, please request assistance from the [OC Student Emergency Aid Fund](#).

If you did not return your key(s) before leaving Oberlin....

Please mail your room/mailbox key(s) to Residential Education & Dining Services, Stevenson Hall/Griswold Commons, [155 N. Professor St Oberlin, OH 44074](#) **no later than June 1, 2020**. Please include your **name, ID #, building and room number**. We suggest taping the key to a piece of light cardboard or bubble wrap, or utilizing a heavy-duty postal shipping envelope, as a loose key can tear the envelope and become lost in transit.

Summer 2020 Housing

Students who are currently living in College housing and who do not have alternative housing for the summer will be permitted to remain in campus housing, with a dining program, until the academic program resumes on campus. More information will be sent directly to students on campus about how to request summer housing, including the opportunity to participate in virtual town halls to discuss housing and dining concerns.

2020 – 2021 Housing Selection

We are strongly committed to welcoming students back to campus as soon as public health officials indicate we can do so safely. The need to await this information has caused an adjustment to the housing selection process. You will receive instructions about the selection timeline as soon as possible; please continue to check your Oberlin email regularly even after the semester ends. If you have any questions, please reach out to Residential Education at resed@oberlin.edu.

Thank you and be well,

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