

Addendum to Occupancy/Lease Agreement: On-Campus Housing COVID Rules and Regulations Fall 2021

A. INTRODUCTION TO CONDITIONS OF LIVING ON CAMPUS

This document is a COVID-19 Health and Safety Addendum to the West Chester University Student Housing Agreement. Due to the current [COVID-19 pandemic](#), all students who intend to live on-campus are required to sign and comply with the Rules and Regulations contained in this Addendum, and those that may be added as stated below. It is expressly made part of the [Occupancy Agreement](#) and USH Affiliated Housing lease agreement that you signed previously by reference to the “published regulations of West Chester University” and the University’s [“Guide to Residential Living”](#)

B. RULES AND REGULATIONS

Students play a critical role in helping the community mitigate the infection and spread of the Coronavirus. The resident agrees to abide by the following Rules and Regulations. Should any resident violate the University’s Rules and Regulations as agreed to herein, the University reserves the right to temporarily remove the resident from campus housing (WCU owned housing and USH Affiliated Housing) until the conduct matter has been resolved.

Students living on-campus, their parent/guardian/guarantor (to the extent they are a party to this Agreement), and all guests in on-campus housing facilities will be required to follow the rules and regulations outlined by West Chester University in this Agreement and any policies or directives issued after this Agreement is signed, as described herein. It is the student’s responsibility to ensure they follow all federal, state, county, local, and university policies, rules, and regulations as communicated to students by email or via [Student Community Agreements](#).

- 1. Move-in / Move-out Days.** We know family and friends may be assisting on this big day and encourage you to get photos outside on campus to mark the occasion. Please plan for a maximum of four (4) people. For the protection of our campus community, unvaccinated individuals must properly wear face masks over their nose and mouth to assist with move-in and any associated future move-outs.
- 2. Mask.** When required by public health orders and/or University policy, properly wear a face mask that covers the nose and mouth as directed. Masks shall conform to CDC and PA Department of Health guidelines. The use of a face shield only does not meet the requirements of a face mask.
- 3. Physical Distancing.** When required by public health orders and/or University policy, comply with social distancing guidelines.
- 4. Symptom Screening.** Students residing on campus **may** be required to complete symptom screening based on Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Pennsylvania Department of Health guidance and/or orders. Students residing on campus will be provided notice by email when any symptom screening requirements have been enacted, modified, or withdrawn.
- 5. Surveillance Testing.** Pursuant to their authority under Act 188, Presidents of State Universities may authorize mandatory COVID-19 testing for their residential students. If you reside on campus during the 2021-2022 term, you **may** have to undergo frequent random sample surveillance asymptomatic COVID-19 testing. Students residing on campus will be provided notice by email when any testing requirements have been enacted, modified, or withdrawn.
- 6. Requirements for those experiencing symptoms of illness.** Should you **experience** symptoms potentially related to COVID-19 (for example, a fever, cough, or shortness of breath, or other or

symptoms as defined by the CDC), you agree to seek medical attention (at Student Health Services or your provider of choice) promptly and follow all medical advice. If medical advice dictates, you agree to promptly quarantine/isolate at your permanent home or at another off-campus location or hotel. If you are symptomatic and tested for COVID-19, you will self-report by completing the designated [University report form](#).

7. **Exposure.** If you have been notified that you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you agree to promptly seek and follow all medical advice (from Student Health Services or your provider of choice), and quarantine for 14 days at your permanent home or off-campus location or hotel. You also agree to quarantine during any period which you are awaiting the result of a COVID-19 test. Depending on circumstances you may be required to leave your current apartment and quarantine at your permanent home. If you believe you have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you agree to promptly seek medical advice concerning the potential exposure. If you are symptomatic and tested for COVID-19, you will self-report by completing the designated [University report form](#).
8. **Outbreak.** If an outbreak is identified by the state or local health department, you agree to follow all emergency procedures which can include, but are not limited to, immediate self-isolation, quarantine, or move out.
9. **Common Areas.** If you are not fully vaccinated, you are strongly encouraged to wear mask that covers your mouth and nose in common areas (i.e., lounges, hallways, bathrooms, shared kitchens, and computer labs). Residents will be notified if access to common areas need to be modified in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
10. **Hygiene.** You agree to take extra steps to wash your hands thoroughly throughout the day after touching public surfaces.

C. RESIDENTIAL GUEST POLICY FOR FALL 2021

In consideration to the health and safety of our community members and to support a responsible opening of the Residence Halls and Apartment communities, the guest policy for Academic Year 2021 - 2022 may be modified based on public health guidance. Updates and amendments to the residential guest policy will be emailed to residents and posted within the residential facilities.

D. UPDATES AND CHANGES TO THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Because of the overriding concern for the health and safety of our community, WCU reserves the right to amend, modify, delete, or add new and additional rules and regulations to the use and care of the facilities in furtherance of those health and safety concerns. Such updates and amendments will be emailed to residents and posted within the residential facilities.