



# FIRST-YEAR SOAR

STUDENT ORIENTATION, ACADEMICS AND RESOURCES

## **Housing and Residential Education**

<https://housingportal.fau.edu>  
**fau.edu/housing**

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# Housing Contract

- Academic year contract is for fall and spring
  - Preference up to three room types and buildings
  - Roommate requests were available until April 1
  - Roommate requests always take priority room preferences
  - Request Gender Inclusive Housing
  - Select Meal Plan
- Assignments emailed weekly starting early June to your FAU email.
  - In order to get your assignment you must be registered for fall classes
- View roommate information through the Housing portal at <https://housingportal.fau.edu>. Click on the 2021-2022 Application to view.
- Due to limited space, we are unable to change students rooms once they have been assigned



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# Accommodations/Modifications

- Students who have a disability/or disabilities that require a reasonable accommodation in the room assignment process or a modification in the room itself should connect with Student Accessibility Services.
- To ensure accommodations in the room assignment process can be made, students should complete the Housing Contract and Student Accessibility Services process prior to:
  - June 1 for the fall semester
  - November 1 for the spring semester.
  - Requests are accepted after this point, but assignments are based on availability.
- There must be an identifiable relationship between the requested accommodations/modifications and the student's disability.
  - Roommate requests are not considered an accommodation.
- Emotional Support Animals must be verified and approved through the SAS Office. Service Animals should be verified through the SAS Office.

For more information, please contact the Student Accessibility Services at:

**Phone: 561- 297-3880**

**Email: [sasinfo@fau.edu](mailto:sasinfo@fau.edu)**



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# Move-In Information: Fall

- Move-in for first year students 8/17/21- 8/20/2021
  - Move-in will be by scheduled appointment only
  - Move in appointments can be made through the Housing portal after you receive your housing assignment
  - Guests are allowed to help during move in
  - There will be limited bins and carts
  - We recommend that students bring their own hand trucks or carts
  - Pack accordingly in small or medium boxes
  - Social distancing during the move-in process is highly recommended
- Move-In Guide and parking maps will be shared on housing website in late July
- COVID-19 Testing is required at move-in for all residents
- On-site testing 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. 8/17 - 8/20.
- Location Garage 2



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# Mail Services

- All students will receive their mailbox key and mailbox number at check-in
- Mailing addresses are listed on the housing website under the Building Directory and in our move-in guide
- All Mail must have the following to ensure timely delivery:
  - Student's Full Name (Name used at the university)
  - Mailbox number
  - Building Address
- All packages are sent to central mail not directly to the building



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# What can/should I bring?

- Bed Linens (Twin XL)
- Towels, Wash clothes, etc.,
- Cleaning supplies, antibacterial recommended
  - Brooms/Dustpan/Swiffer
  - Window cleaners
  - Bathroom cleaners
  - Shower Curtain
  - Bathroom mates
  - Toilet paper/Paper Towels
  - Trash Can/Trash bags
  - Gloves
- Surge Protector (see website for guidelines)
- Umbrella
- Clothes hangers
- Laundry bag/basket and high efficiency detergent
- First Aid Kits/thermometers
- Hand Sanitizer and Hand Soap
- Facial covering
- Television
- Small Microwave/Fridge
- Hurricane supplies
- Room Decorations (pictures, blue painters tape)
- Padlock for lockable storage unit
- Coffee mug, drinking cups, assorted containers



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# What should I leave at home?

- Pets (except for fish in a 10 gallon tank)
- Halogen lamps
- Amplified equipment (amplifiers and subwoofers)
- Weapons
- Fireworks, candles (no open flame), incense
- String lights of any kind
- Alcohol, chemicals or illegal substances and drug paraphernalia
- Hot plates and other items with open heating elements
- Wireless access points, routers, and hubs



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# Living with Others?

- Roommate/suitemate agreements will be done online via the housing portal during the first two weeks of school.
- Residents will work with their Resident Assistants for support in facilitating those agreements. **A VERY important section is cleaning.**
- Residents will be required to clean their common spaces within each suite. Including Living rooms, hallways and bathrooms.
- Residents will work together to come up with a plan that works best for the suite related to managing the common spaces and living with each other.



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# Safety and Security

- All front desks are staffed 24 hours a day
- Housing Community Service Officers (CSO) patrol the residence halls in the evenings and overnight
- Night Owls provides ride service in the evening hours to students across campus.
- Blue light phones through campus directly connected to FAU PD for emergencies
- Residence halls require guest check in for all visitors (Owl card or drivers license required)
- Entry to residence halls and elevators require Owl card access



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# Academic Initiatives

- Get Wise Centers
  - Locations in the following residential halls:
    - Glades Park Towers
    - Atlantic Park Towers
  - Services
    - Quiet study
    - Tutoring sessions
    - Group Study Groups
    - Advising
    - Career Consulting
- Faculty Engagement Opportunities
- Academic Initiatives
  - Intervention
  - Recognition
  - Academic School and College focus events



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# Check Out Information

- **Fall check out December 16 by 12 p.m.**
  - Students returning for spring will keep items in their room
  - Limited break housing available for winter break
- **Spring move out by May 5<sup>th</sup>**



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# Questions ?

## Contact Us

### Office Hours

8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday through Friday

561-297-2880

[housing@fau.edu](mailto:housing@fau.edu) email monitored during business hours.

*Please allow 48 hours for email response due to increased calls and emails*



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