

Message sent to Class of 2022, 2023, and 2024:

Friends,

I am writing to share an update on Fall 2021 housing selection and to highlight [‘what’s new’](#) in Residential Life for the upcoming academic year.

We have updated the housing website to include information about [housing lottery numbers](#), [class information](#), [residence hall profiles](#), and a [tentative timeline for room selection](#).

Please note that we are mindful that many students are still finalizing plans for the Fall semester; several students are awaiting final study abroad confirmations and we know that many other students are still working to secure travel to campus. The plans of these students will impact the total number of rooms needed for the Fall and, as such, impact the housing selection process. In the next week we anticipate releasing more information about specific block rooms available and available rooms for upperclass students.

We ask for your continued patience through this process as we anticipate that MORE rooms will open up throughout the summer as students finalize and confirm plans. We also anticipate changing the occupancy of some spaces: some singles will be used as doubles, some doubles will be used as triples, etc. We are also planning to convert a number of lounges into dorm room spaces and we will be utilizing some spaces and locations that are not traditionally used for Swarthmore student housing. We will continue to assess the situation throughout the summer and will offer additional options as they become available.

Our current residency numbers will require the use of an upperclass housing waitlist. This means that not all students will be housed immediately but, instead, will be provided campus housing options at different times throughout the summer. Please remember that a waitlist does NOT mean that you will be denied College housing. A waitlist means that we will use back-up and contingency spaces for student housing so that we can accommodate all student requests. Don't forget that much more information about a "Housing Waitlist" can be found on the [FAQ](#) site.

If your plans have changed and you are planning to live off-campus for the Fall semester, please make sure you have declared that intent using the [Off-Campus Intent form](#). If you have already completed this form you do not need to do so again.

**Please note that, prior to taking part in room selection, all students must review the College's expectations for vaccination and COVID compliance for the Fall 2021 semester. In order to be cleared for room selection, you are first required to upload a photo of your COVID-19 Pfizer, Moderna or J&J vaccine card and vaccine date(s) to your Student Health Portal which can be accessed through MySwarthmore. If you are partially vaccinated, upload the documentation you have so far. If you are planning to receive one of the above COVID-19 vaccines upon arrival on campus, you must email [canders4@swarthmore.edu](mailto:canders4@swarthmore.edu) so you can be included on the vaccination roster.**

Lastly, please make sure that you pay attention to future emails for additional information about [Fall 2021 Residence Hall Move-In](#). Returning students should plan on arriving no earlier than Friday, August 27th and, as in the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters, a scheduled move-in appointment will be required to help ensure COVID compliance for residential students. Any

student who believes that they are an 'early return' should be in direct communication with their sponsor and not make travel arrangements until your arrival date has been confirmed.

Please know, the Office of Student Engagement is working diligently to prepare for the 2021-2022 academic year. We are excited to welcome you all back to Residential Communities, and we appreciate your patience as we map out the upcoming year.

Thank you,

Star Longoria

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