



HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE

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Dear Hampden-Sydney Parents,

Later this semester, Hampden-Sydney students will be able to apply for and select their on-campus housing for Academic Year 2021-2022. Because most parents assume some amount of the cost for housing at Hampden-Sydney College, it is important that each of you be reminded of Hampden-Sydney's Housing Policy, understand how housing selection works, and are encouraged to speak with your son about his plans for living on campus next year.

As a residential college, Hampden-Sydney guarantees housing for every student each year. In fact, with the exception of those students who commute or have other housing accommodations, **all students are required to live in College-owned housing for all four years.** We believe that our residential model is critical to cultivating an "atmosphere of sound learning," as our mission states. Hampden-Sydney is a "home away from home" for our men, an energetic community of scholars, outdoorsmen, athletes, leaders, and gentlemen. Here, we seek to provide the most transformative undergraduate experience for young men found anywhere in the country.

Hampden-Sydney College offers a wide variety of housing options to its students, including traditional, hall-style residences, fraternity and themed houses, and suite and apartment-style housing. Our goal is to graduate as many students as possible who have experienced these different types of living and who are comfortable navigating the complexities of independent lifestyles after their time on the Hill. At Hampden-Sydney, preference for housing assignments is awarded based solely on academic merit, which takes into account the seniority (total earned credit hours) and academic performance (cumulative GPA) of the student applying.

Housing Selection will begin with fraternity and theme houses—rosters for these houses are due on Friday, March 26, 2021. Please note that all fraternity and theme house residents are strongly encouraged to speak with their parents prior to agreeing to live in one of these residences, as they tend to provide a more "social" atmosphere for the students who live there. Following Fraternity and Theme Housing Selection is Specialty Housing Selection, which will take place between Monday, April 5 and Monday, April 12. Finally, General Housing Selection will take place online on Sunday, April 18 and will last until all eligible students have been housed.

Please know that some restrictions to eligibility for housing selection do apply. First and foremost, a student must intend to enroll in classes for the Fall 2021 semester and must be in good standing with the College (i.e., any financial hold on a student's account in the Business Office must be resolved prior to Housing Selection). In some cases, specific residence halls do also require minimum Cumulative GPAs and membership within the fraternity or group occupying the house.

I welcome any questions or comments regarding the Housing Selection process, and can be reached at the phone number and email address below. As always, I look forward to working alongside your sons as they choose their next "home away from home."

Sincerely,

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