Dear Student,

You are receiving this email because you have successfully completed the 2021-2022 UW Residence Life & Dining Services contract! We are so excited that you will be joining us this fall in Laramie. This issue of Contracts Chronicles has been sent to both you and whomever was listed as your housing application emergency contact (usually this is a family member).

Enjoy the following information and please let us know if you have any questions!

Thank you,

Jill Aldridge

Contracts Manager, Residence Life & Dining Services
The UW residence hall contract establishes a housing and dining contract for the entire academic year. No additional contract is required for the spring semester, as the completed contract is valid and binding for both fall and spring semesters. Contract Terms & Conditions are agreed to on completion of the online contract. First year students are required to live on-campus, per the Board of Trustees New Student Live-In Policy. Convenient campus location, Washakie dining facilities, and a supportive live-in staff are all reasons many students elect to return year after year to the halls.

Residential living is a valuable experience. Research conducted on a national level indicates that students who live in the residence halls are more likely to stay in school and graduate and are generally more satisfied with their college experience. Data collected by the University of Wyoming shows that first-year students living on campus earn higher grade point averages than off-campus students.

Our live-in staff is second to none! Each community has their own full-time live-in Residence Coordinator (RC). The RC oversees the building Resident Assistant (RA) staff. RAs are student leaders within the residence halls and are responsible for the development of a community atmosphere to help residents gain a sense of pride and ownership in their living environment. RAs are a live-in resource for any questions or concerns that residents may have during their living experience. Don’t hesitate to reach out to the RAs on your floor or the RC of your building! They look forward to getting to know you!

A Washakie Dining Center meal plan is required of all hall residents. The initial meal plan selection is completed as part of the online housing application. Washakie Dining Center is the centerpiece of the residential dining program and social hub of the residence halls. Designed as a marketplace-style dining facility, Washakie houses multiple serving platforms and provides a variety of options, depending on your dietary needs. Our friendly staff strives to create and rotate new menu items often as well as host special dinners throughout the year. Vegan and vegetarian options can be found at almost every serving platform and Gluten Friendly options are also available. Have special dietary needs? Please reach out to Amy Bey, Assistant Director of Support Services. Amy can answer your specific dining questions and help address your individual needs.
# Housing & Dining Timeline

**MONTH OF JUNE**

- **New Student Orientation**
  for all first-time students. If you haven't already, [register today!](#)

**JUNE 25**

- **Room Selection Time Slot emailed to Students** … check your UW email account!

**JULY 1-2**

- **Returning Students Room Selection**
  (refer to your assigned room selection time slot)

**JULY 7 - 14**

- **Freshman Interest Group (FIG) Room Selection**
  Refer to your assigned room selection time slot.

**JULY 20-23**

- **Standard Room Selection**
  This includes those interested in a specific Living Learning Community (LLC), for example Honor Community, Engineering Community, Health Sciences, etc. (refer to your assigned room selection time slot)

**JULY 26**

- **Room assignments completed by RLDS** for anyone with a completed contract who did not complete room selection.

**JULY 30**

- **Room Assignment Emails Sent**
  Check your UW email! This will include your hall and room number (that you selected or were assigned to), mailing address, roommate name & contact information, and selected meal plan.

**AUGUST 19**

- **Move-In Day!**
  Watch your email in August for detailed move-in instructions.

**AUGUST 19-22**

- **Cowboy Connect Activities on Campus**

**AUGUST 23**

- **Classes Begin**

**SEPTEMBER 3**

- **Last Day to Change Meal Plan for the Fall Semester**

**SEPTEMBER 6**

- **No Classes; Labor Day Holiday**
If you are having trouble accessing your UW email, please go to WyoWeb and click on “obtain Username and Initial Password” or “Password Reset Portal” or you can contact UW IT Client Support Help Desk.