Room Assignments/Room Selection:

Q: When will I find out my room assignment/roommate?
A: Students will select their own room (and roommate), beginning in July. For more information, view this link.

Q: I hear there are specialty floors, like FIGs, living-learning communities, and theme floors. What are those?
A: We have a wide range of specialty living options. See the full list here.

Q: I’m nervous about selecting my own roommate, but I don’t have anyone specific in mind. What do you recommend?
A: Room selection is in July, which is after New Student Orientation. We recommend that students “roommate shop” during Orientation and see if they meet someone with whom they might like. Otherwise, the housing selection process will allow students to see answers to the preference questions (i.e. cleanliness, smoker/non-smoker, early/late to bed) and make an informed choice.

Q: I need to make changes to my already submitted housing contract (request a roommate, preference a specialty floor, select a different meal plan, etc.). What do I do?
A: If you need to make changes to a contract, please contact our office at reslife-dining@uwyo.edu, or 307-766-3175. Note that we need to hear directly from the student to make any changes.

Q: I requested a single room. What are the chances I will get one?
A: Our supply of single rooms is very limited, and most have already been taken by upperclassmen choosing to reside in the halls. We will honor single room requests first-come, first-serve.

Q: I need an accommodation due to a disability (i.e. single room, service/support animal, specialized meal plan, etc.). How do I request that?
A: All requests for special accommodations must be submitted to the University Disability Support Services office. They will advise Residence Life & Dining on the best course of action. RLDS is not authorized to make accommodations or exceptions without UDSS approval.

What to Bring/Room Configuration

Q: What can I bring/not bring?
A: View a suggested list here.
Q: Can beds be lofted?
A: Yes. As of this fall, all of our rooms (except the Honors House) will have the same beds – beds with extended frames that allow many adjustable height options (up to 60” max height). The beds in the Honors House are a little different. See here to view common configurations.

Q: What are common prohibited items people ask about?
A: Common items we get asked about but are not allowed include: candles, wax warmers (Scentsy, etc.), appliances with open coils or open heating elements, and firearms (firearms may be stored for free at UWPD).

Q: Is there a wattage or size limit on appliances and fridges?
A: Fridges must be 4.5 cubic feet or less. In the past, you may have heard that we limited the wattage of appliances (coffee makers, hair dryers, microwaves, etc.) to 800 watts per item. This rule has been replaced with a caution that each side of the room can only support 1500 total watts at a given time, meaning the simultaneous use of items should be limited/monitored.

Q: What is provided in each room?
A: A standard double room has two beds, two wardrobes (inside of the wardrobe has two shelves and a hanging rod; wardrobe has four drawers underneath), two desks with three drawers each, two chairs, and a sink area with vanity/countertop. See a floorplan here.

Q: What are common items students bring to decorate/personalize their rooms?
A: Above the desk area are three large bulletin board panels, which provide a lot of decoration potential. The adjustable bed height also allows a lot of customization, from choosing storage underneath, to futons/chairs/tv area, etc. Make sure to coordinate with your roommate, and remember that no nails or screws may be used to hang items.

Dining/Meal Plans

Q: What are room and board costs?
A: See our rates here.

Q: What is the difference between the meal plan options?
A: There are two main types of meal plans – weekly access (a set number of meals loaded on your card that reset every Sunday) and block plans (a large block of meals loaded for the entire semester. Weekly plans offer stability and less responsibility for the student to budget. Block plans offer much more flexibility, but require the student to budget throughout the semester.

Q: I have special dietary needs/restrictions. Can I eat in Washakie?
A: Washakie accommodates vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and dairy-free diets with every meal. If you have additional restrictions, we encourage you to get in touch with our registered dietician. See more info here.
**Move-In**

**Q:** When is move-in this year?
**A:** Move-in is Friday, August 30th beginning at 7 am.

**Q:** I am a part of a group that needs to move in early (i.e. Athletics, Marching Band, ROTC, etc.). Who do I contact?
**A:** These specialty groups work directly with RLDS to arrange early move-in. Check with your group leader/coach for more information. If you need to move in early for other reasons, please contact us at reslife-dining@uwyo.edu.

**Q:** Move-in is on a holiday weekend. Can we move in later in the weekend or on the holiday Monday?
**A:** All incoming freshmen students are required to attend Cowboy Connect, an orientation and welcome series. Cowboy Connect begins on the evening of August 30th, so it is important that students are moved in by then.

**General Questions**

**Q:** Is it true that all freshmen are required to live on campus? Are there any exceptions?
**A:** Yes. The UW Board of Trustees have set a first-year live-in policy. There are specific exemption criteria, which can be found [here](#).

**Q:** I’m reading about laundry dollars, campus dollars, and dining dollars. What are those, and what is the difference?
**A:** Your WyoOne ID card is your access to your room/bathroom, the dining hall, the library, the gym, etc. There are two monetary accounts on the WyoOne card. Dining dollars come with your meal plan, and can be used at any retail dining location (i.e. Union food court, coffee shops, etc.) or any vending machines. Campus dollars is an account that can be used almost anywhere on campus, including on laundry machines, the Copy & Print Center, the University Store (bookstore), UW dining locations, etc. Students do not automatically get campus dollars – you have to load them yourself. You can do this via the ID Office website, [here](#). Students can also add their parents to have access to deposit money on their campus dollars account.

**Q:** What staff are available in the halls to assist students?
**A:** Each residence hall floor has two RAs—trained peer leaders who promote social development, academic success, and enforce safety/security policies. Each hall also has a Residence Coordinator (RC), a full-time UW staff member who lives in the hall and manages the building. We encourage students and parents to get to know the RAs and RC of their building.

**Q:** Other frequently asked questions?
**A:** View our FAQ page [here](#). You can also address any additional questions to reslife-dining@uwyo.edu, or call 307-766-3175.