



## 2023-2024 Housing Sign-Up FAQ

### **Am I required to live on campus for the 2023-2024 academic year?**

Central Michigan University's campus residency policy requires first and second-year students to live on campus. Those who reach the four-semester requirement at midyear are required to complete the entire term of the contract for the academic year (fall and spring semester).

### **How do I sign up for housing for the 2023-2024 academic year?**

Housing sign-up for residence halls and Northwest Apartments for the 2023-2024 academic year will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, for current residents. You will apply online at <https://housing.cmich.edu> according to the location you wish to live.

The sooner you sign up, the more likely you will receive housing of your choice. Priority placement for current students over incoming first-year students and transfers ends May 1, 2023.

### **What is the timeline for the residence hall and Northwest Apartment housing sign-up?**

[Apply online](#) according to this schedule:

- Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m. – Friday, Jan. 20 at midnight: Returning to the same unit
- Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 9 a.m. – Friday, Jan. 27 at midnight: Priority shopping for students living on campus since fall 2021 (returning year 3+) and transfer students for any space in the Northwest Apartments or residence halls
- Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 9 a.m. – Friday, Feb. 3 at midnight: Returning to the same building, different unit
- Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 9 a.m. until midnight: Open shopping for singles in Cobb Hall, seventh and eighth floors
- Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 9 a.m. until midnight: Open shopping for space in Campbell, Fabiano and Kessler
- Thursday, Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. until midnight: Open shopping for space in Carey Hall (seventh and eighth floors reserved for first-year students)
- Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 9 a.m. – May 1 at midnight: Open shopping for all remaining spaces
- Tuesday, March 14: Wishlist opens at 9 a.m. Students may sign up for the Wishlist if they do not receive their housing of choice. Students must have a housing assignment to sign up on the Wishlist and will be contacted by phone if we are able to accommodate their request.



## **What is the timeline for the Graduate Housing Apartment housing sign-up?**

[Apply online](#) according to this schedule:

- Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m. – Friday, Jan. 20 at midnight: Returning to the same unit
- Tuesday, Jan. 31 at 9 a.m. – Friday, March 31 at midnight: Returning to the same community, different unit
- Tuesday, March 14: Wishlist opens at 9 a.m. Students may sign up for the Wishlist if they do not receive their housing of choice. Students must have a housing assignment to sign up on the Wishlist and will be contacted by phone if we are able to accommodate their request.

## **What happens if I plan on graduating in December 2023 or if I plan to study abroad for a semester?**

Residents living in a standard residence hall or University Apartment that meet one of the following conditions will be released during the contract period: withdrawal, graduation, CMU internship, student teaching, Study Abroad or an exchange student returning to their home institution.

## **Can I live on campus for a semester?**

The Office of Residence Life Housing Contract is for a full academic year (fall and spring semester).

## **Who can live in Northwest Apartments?**

Northwest Apartments is reserved for students with at least two full academic years living in the residence halls and transfer students.

## **What if I want to live in a single? What are my options?**

We have four premium halls (Campbell, Celani, Fabiano and Kessler) that offer four individual bedrooms, two bathrooms, common space and air conditioning. These halls have a 30% additional room rate.

We are offering singles in Cobb Hall, seventh and eighth floors. These rooms will include a full-size bed, armoire, desk and desk chair, sofa and coffee table. Singles in Cobb Hall have a 40% additional room rate.



### **Can I return to my current living unit next year?**

Yes. Your sign-up time will begin Tuesday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m., and you will have until Friday, Jan. 20 at midnight to return to your same unit for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Current residents of Kulhavi Hall will need to select from a space in Campbell, Fabiano or Kessler beginning at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8.

### **How do I select my roommates?**

You will need to build a Roommate Group in your housing application; you can do this beginning Jan. 17. To find your chosen roommates, everyone must have started their housing application. The one who creates the Roommate Group is the Group Leader. This person will be the one to invite others to the group. Once everyone has accepted the request, the Group Leader will select a space during the timeframe for their preferred location and assign themselves and each roommate to a bed space in that unit.

Be sure to talk with your roommates about a second and third option if your first housing preference is not available as sign-up is first come, first serve.

### **What if I don't have someone I want to live with next year?**

If you don't have preferred roommates, not to worry! Many students decide to select their housing based on where they want to live, and they will receive roommates looking for that same location. If you wish to search for roommates, the housing application has two ways to find roommates.

#### Suggested Roommates:

This will list other students who have a 2023-2024 housing application. The list will show the percentage they are like you based on the lifestyle questionnaire you filled out in the housing application.

#### Roommate Search By Details:

This allows you to search for friends that you want to live with.

If you have preferred roommates, you will need to create a Roommate Group. The housing application has instructions on how to create a Roommate Group.

### **What happens if I do not get my first-choice housing unit?**

Housing sign-up is broken down by select times to sign up for select housing locations. We have dedicated a day to our three most popular options. You will have from 9 a.m. until midnight on these days to select from those locations.



Like buying concert tickets, select seats sell first and may sell out. Therefore, it is crucial to have your top three housing options in mind when selecting your living space. To help save time, you may begin your housing application and build roommate groups starting Tuesday, Jan. 17. This will allow you to select your living space on the specific day sign-up is for that location.

Students may sign up on the Wishlist if they do not receive their housing of choice. The Wishlist opens at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 14. Residence Life can often accommodate students on the Wishlist before August move-in.

### **How do I find gender-inclusive/mixed-gender housing?**

The Office of Residence Life, the Office of LGBTQ Services and Gender Equity Programs, and the Office of Institutional Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion are dedicated to providing residents a comfortable, educational, diverse, and caring community for all students, including those whose gender identity and/or expression differs from the sex assigned to them at birth.

If you would like more information on housing for transgender and non-binary students and mixed-gender housing options at CMU, please contact:

Ann Ellis  
Assistant Director of Residence Life for Housing Assignments  
989-774-3285

Shannon Jolliff-Dettore  
Director, the Office of LGBTQ Services and Gender Equity Programs  
989-774-1727 and 989-774-3637

### **Dining changes in 2023**

As students' needs change, CMU will adapt dining options to meet their busy schedules. In fall 2023, this will include transitioning operations at the Food Hall @ Merrill restaurant in South Community from a traditional all-you-care-to-eat restaurant to a mobile ordering and pickup service option.

- The new Food Hall @ Merrill will allow students to order meals from a pre-set menu through the CMU Dining App.
- This style of service is modeled on the popular Late Night @ Merrill service and mimics the flexible mobile ordering now available at most counter-service restaurants.
- This new option compliments other dining options at CMU:
  - Two all-you-care-to-eat restaurants: the Eatery in Towers and Dine and Connect in East Community.
  - Grab-and-go options and on-campus markets



- Counter service restaurants in the Bovee University Center, Grawn Hall, Park Library, Health Professions and the Education and Human Services Building.

### **How do I change my meal plan for 2023-2024?**

To change the meal plan you selected for 2023-2024, log into your housing application at <https://housing.cmich.edu>, select “Meal Plan” along the top, and choose a new meal plan.

### **How much will living on campus cost next year?**

The Board of Trustees will determine the 2023-2024 academic year housing and meal rates in February.

### **What happens if I change my mind after I start the contract?**

Current students may cancel their housing contract 30 days from the date they signed the contract (first step of the housing application) in writing to [reslife@cmich.edu](mailto:reslife@cmich.edu) for no fee. Cancellations made after the 30 days but before August 1, 2023, will result in a \$300 contract breakage fee. Cancellations made after August 1, 2023, but prior to the beginning of the fall 2023 contract, will result in a \$500 contract breakage fee.

Reminder: Students must live on campus for two full academic years.

### **Am I allowed to live at home as a second-year student?**

If you live within a 60-mile radius and will be commuting from your parent/guardian’s home or if you are entirely online (not Hy-Flex or Hybrid), you may complete a [Residency Exemption Request form](#) to be released from your residency requirement.

### **What if I want to see a room to help me choose a suitable space for me?**

To take a 360 virtual tour through the different residence hall options and see floor plans, click on the communities listed below:

[East Community](#)

[South Community](#)

[Towers Community](#)

### **Will summer housing be available for students?**

The Office of Residence Life provides housing in select residential facilities during the summer



for enrolled students. You will receive an email after spring break regarding summer housing options.