

# Housing and Residence Life Newsletter

**Summer 2019** 

# Welcome to Marshall!

Welcome to Marshall University! We are excited that you decided to join us as the next step in your academic career. Marshall University is a special place where you will create many memories, make lifetime friendships and set the stage for your future. The Department of Housing and Residence Life is thrilled to be an integral part of this time in your life. We know that the next few months will be both exciting and full of change. As you are preparing for your move to Huntington and are settling into your residence hall, please reach out to us if you have any questions. Once you arrive on campus, your Resident Advisors, Academic Mentors, Area Coordinators and many other individuals will be around to provide support and help with your adjustment to campus. This area will be your home for the next four years. I encourage you to explore all that Marshall University, Huntington, the Tri-State area, and West Virginia has to offer. Since this is also a time for growth and change. I challenge you to step out of your comfort zone, try something new, connect with people across campus, discover new interests, make new friendships and find a way to leave your mark on Marshall. Thank you for choosing Marshall and trusting us to partner with you as you prepare for your future.

#### Sincerely,

*Mistie Bibbee* Director Housing and Residence Life Freshman Move-In Day Tuesday, August 20, 2019

**Upper-Classman Move-In** Saturday, August 24th and Sunday August 25th

Be on the lookout for move-in information emailed to your Marshall email account or visit www.marshall.edu/move-in



Don't Forget Renter's Insurance!

Marshall University has partnered with GradGuard to provide students the opportunity to purchase renters insurance and other services! For more information please visit <u>www.gradguard.com/</u>







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# What Should I Bring?

Residents should be mindful of what they choose to bring to the residence halls. We recommend that you contact your roommate before packing to coordinate who will bring what to avoid bring-

### What to Bring

- Shower Caddy
- Decorations
- Lamps
- Power Strip with Surge Protector
- Shower Shoes or Flip Flops
- Microwave (North, South and Commons)
- Toilet Paper (North, South and Commons)
- Bathroom Cleaning Supplies (North, South and Commons)

### What Not to Bring

- Pets (Except fish)
- Extension Cords
- Multi-Outlet Plugs
- Refrigerators over 2.5 amps
- Candles and Incense
- Cooking Appliances
- Halogen Lights or Stringed Holiday Lights
- Microwaves (TTE, TTW & Buskirk)
- Lofts or Bed Risers

# Tips for an Easy Move-In

- Label all boxes with your name, room number, and a contact phone number
- Bring a cart or dolly to make moving heavy items easier
- Make sure you have your Marshall ID with you when checking in
- Check in to your assigned residence hall before you begin moving in belongings
- Make sure someone remains with your vehicle while you unload in case it needs to be moved

# Tips for Effective Roommate Communication

**Be clear from the beginning.** Let your roommate know as soon as you can about your little quirks and preferences.

**Respect your roommate's belongings.** Don't assume that because your roommate told you it was okay to use their laptop, that you can use their bike. Talk about how often it's okay to use / borrow something.

**Be aware of who you invite into your room and how often.** You may love having your friends hang out with you in your room, but your roommate may not. Be mindful of how often you bring people over.

**Be open to new things.** Your roommate may be from someplace you've never heard of before or may have a completely different religion or lifestyle from your own. Be open to new ideas and experiences.

**Be open to change.** You should expect to learn and grow during your time in college, and so should your roommate. As the semester progresses, realize things will change for both of you. Be comfortable addressing things that unexpectedly come up, setting new rules, and being flexible to your changing environment.



# Week of Welcome

Tuesday, August 20th - Friday, August 23rd

Don't forget to check in for WOW at the Rec Center on August 20th! For more information visit <u>www.marshall.edu/wow</u>

# **Have Questions?**

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