

## FOR NEW INCOMING STUDENTS

(All Buildings)

Hello,

We will begin accepting new students on campus Thursday, January 7 at 2 p.m. Please see below for testing information and time frames, as you will not be able to move in without completing this process.

As you make your final preparations to move into your residence hall at Missouri State University, we wanted to remind you of a few things. Check out our complete [packing list](#) which includes items to bring and not to bring.

- **If you are experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 or are sick, do not come to campus. Contact our office to let us know of your delayed arrival.**
- **You must be approved by the COVID-19 Response Team before going to the residence hall.**
- **You may qualify for an expedited approval process.**
- **The COVID-19 Response Team only provides approvals during limited times of the day. If you do not arrive during these times, you are not allowed to move in that day.**

### **All residents will have to test for COVID before moving into residence halls**

Before moving into your residence hall, you must meet one of the following criteria.

- Have proof of a negative COVID-19 test taken on or after January 6, 2021.
- Have proof of testing positive for COVID-19 on or after October 10, 2020 and have been released from isolation.
- Are tested upon return to campus as outlined below.
- Quarantine in on-campus quarantine housing for 10 days.

Regardless of which criteria you meet:

- You must go to the Testing/Verification location during one of the testing/verification times. **You will not be allowed to move in until you have been tested** or have shown proof that you meet the criteria to the COVID-19 Response Team.
- If you will be arriving later than Jan. 10, please call 417-836-5536 several business days in advance to arrange a time to be tested.
- **If you test positive, you will not be allowed to check in to your spring housing assignment.** You may either move into campus isolation housing or you may return home to complete your isolation. Have a contingency plan prior to arrival.

### **Testing details**

When you arrive to campus, go to Hammons Student Center for COVID-19 testing prior to moving back into your residence hall.

Location: Hammons Student Center, (661 S. John Q. Hammons Parkway), Southwest Entrance (by Beach Volleyball)

Times:

- Thursday, Jan. 7 – 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
- Friday, Jan. 8 – 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 9 – 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
- Sunday, Jan. 10 – 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Additional Information:

- Testing will be provided in 30-minute intervals.
- You cannot test if you eat or drink (including water) within 30 minutes prior to testing.

**Express Process** – If you meet any of the following, please bring your proof and your BearPass to the Testing/Verification station in Hammons Student Center for an expedited process.

- Have a negative COVID-19 test that was given on or after Jan. 6, 2021, or
- Have had COVID-19 within the last 90 days and have resolved, or
- Prefer to quarantine for 10 days at the on-campus quarantine housing.

### **Documentation of negative test required to move in.**

You will receive documentation from the COVID-19 Response Team you have met the requirement to move into your housing.

You will be required to show the documentation at your residence hall prior to moving back into your residence hall and each time you re-enter during the first few weeks of classes.

### **Move in details**

Additional move-in safety measures will be in place, including:

- Move-in will be limited to the 1-hour per student.
- Move-in assistance will be limited to one person for each student.
- Don't forget to bring a mask to comply with Springfield's ordinance and campus policy.

How to move in:

- Bring your photo ID to campus.
- After testing at Hammons Student Center, bring your documentation to your assigned building.
- You will receive the keys to your room and access card to your building at the front desk of the building where you are assigned.
- You will receive your BearPassID at check-in if you have a valid photo ID.

If you need help connecting to the internet, setting up smart home devices, streaming TV, or setting up your computer, ResNet staff is available to help. Call 417-836-6100 to connect with the ResNet staff.

### **Dining services**

- Your BearPass card will be what you use in the dining centers.
- Meal Plans and Dining Dollars will be active beginning Jan. 9. Dining Dollars can be used at any dining location including PSU restaurants.
- For all information about dining, including hours of operation, visit [www.dineoncampus.com/missouristate](http://www.dineoncampus.com/missouristate) or to download the Dine On Campus App.
- If you have any allergies or dietary restrictions and need more information or would like to set up a meeting with our dining staff please email us at [Missouri-State@Compass-usa.com](mailto:Missouri-State@Compass-usa.com).
- In accordance with Springfield city ordinance our dining centers can only hold 50% of our required capacity. With this in mind, you may choose to take your meals to go or to eat in the dining center when seating is available.

If you have any questions or concerns about move-in, feel free to call our office 417-836-5536 or email [ResidenceLife@missouristate.edu](mailto:ResidenceLife@missouristate.edu). Residence Life offices will be closed from Dec. 19 - Jan. 3.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in the process.