



2026-2027

Agriculture Living-Learning Community

NEWSLETTER



WELCOME!

What is a living-learning community?

A living-learning community (LLC) is a group of students who share a common academic or theme interest and live together in a residence hall. Residence Life partners with faculty and staff across campus to implement special programming related to the LLC focus. Students living in the LLC also have the opportunity to get to know these partners outside of the classroom.

What should I expect as part of the LLC?

Your Resident Assistant (RA) will have information about a variety of activities and resources related to the topic of your LLC and academic support. Plan on being involved in various events and share your ideas for future programming! The more involved you are with the community, the more benefits you'll gain.





Each year, we welcome students from Southwest University in China. After studying plant science there for three years, they complete their final year at Missouri State University in Springfield. They look forward to getting involved in the MoState campus and sharing their own backgrounds and traditions with the Agriculture Living-Learning Community in Scholars House!

MEET YOUR RA

Adrianna Ricketts Major: Hospitality Leadership

Hello! My name is Adrianna Ricketts, and I will be the RA for the Agriculture LLC Residents in Scholars House 3rd floor. I'm majoring in hospitality leadership, with minors in sign language and event planning, and a certificate in event planning. This will be my second year at MSU and my first year as an RA. I'm from KC, Missouri, and I am so excited to meet all of you and connect with you throughout the school year. I love reading and listening to music. My favorite color is green, and I love anything chocolate. I look forward to getting to know you all. See you soon!!! #GOBEARS

Learn about our Southwest Program!

[Take this survey.](#)
to tell Adrianna what
events you want!

*you could win a \$50 gift
card!



Meet your LLC partners!



Christi Sudbrock

Associate Professor

My name is Dr. Christi Sudbrock and I'm so glad you're here! I've been with Missouri State for 15 years this year and I'm dedicated to student learning. I live in the Springfield area with my husband, two children and one crazy boxer named Champ. We love being outdoors and on the go and you can frequently find us on adventures to Silver Dollar City, the Omaha Zoo and more. I teach classes in agricultural economics, communications, and leadership. I love working with our LLC and if you ever need anything please feel free to drop by my office, Karls 222.



Clara Dickinson

Agricultural Communications

Hi! I am Clara Dickinson, an Instructor of Agricultural Communications and the advisor for ACT – Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow! I am also an alumnus of the Missouri State University College of Agriculture. In addition to teaching, I work to create resources for Missouri value-added agriculture producers and help run the College of Agriculture social media. When not at work, you can usually find me spending time with my two corgis, reading, or being crafty. I also enjoy photography and traveling, especially when I can incorporate them into my work here at the university! I look forward to getting to know you during your time here at Missouri State, and my door is always open!



Want to learn more about Scholars House? Check out this video!

Your LLC Social will be on:

**Thursday, August 20, at
4:30 pm in Karls 236**

You won't want to miss this chance to meet your floor and your LLC partners!

**Join us for painting
flower pots and
planting succulents!**

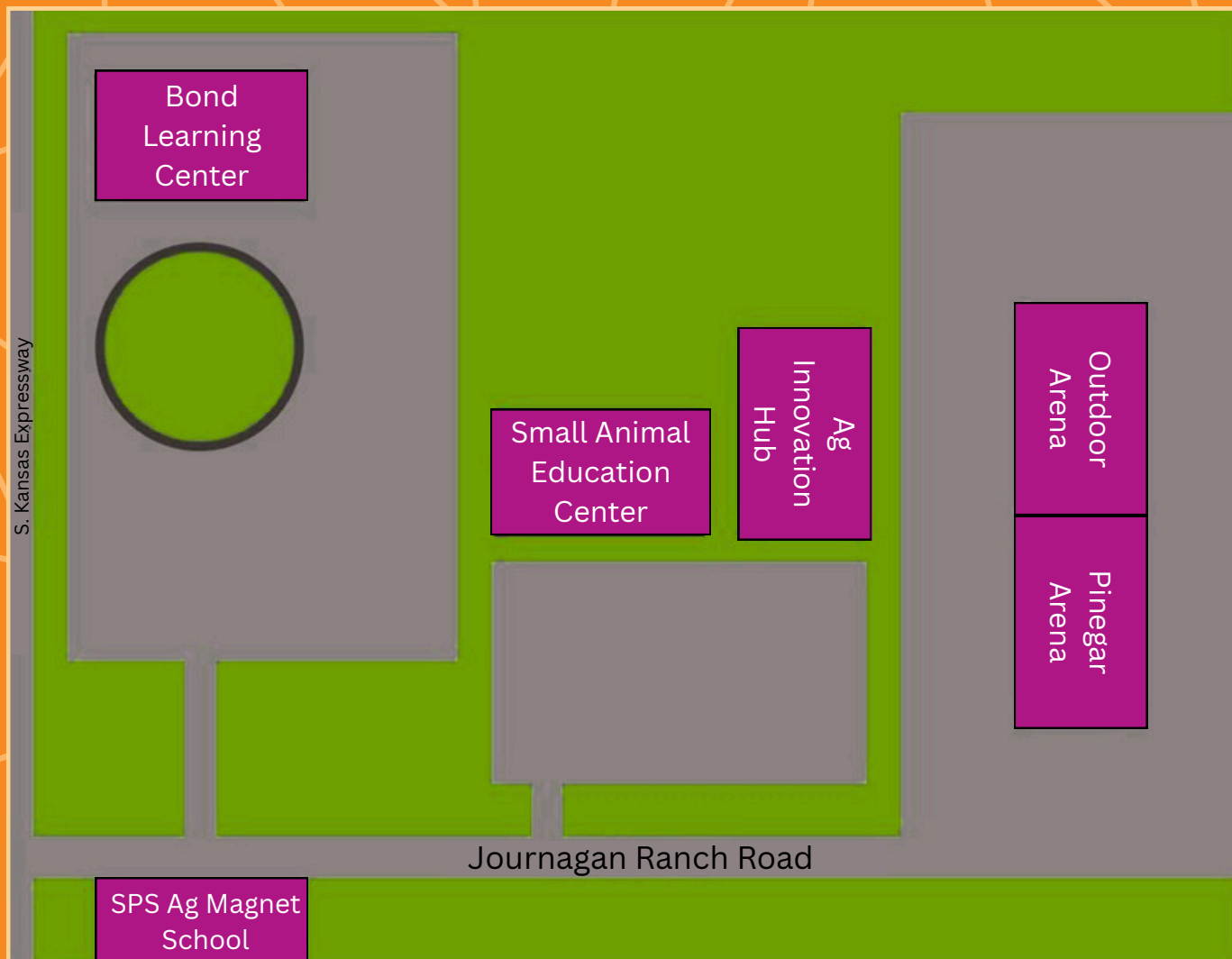


Our campus **Bear Line** service can help you get around once you get to campus! Check out the routes offered by our shuttles so you can figure out the best ways to get to class and around town. There is even an app you can download to track each Bear Line and see current wait times! To learn more, click

[HERE.](#)



Want to check out where your classes are and where to park on campus? Visit the campus map **[HERE.](#)**



There are several buildings you may have class in at the Darr Agricultural Center. Here is a helpful map that shows the main buildings at the center. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the center.

There are over 300 different student organizations to get involved with at MSU, some examples of Ag related organizations include:

- Delta Tau Alpha (Ag Honor Society)
 - Agricultural Communicators of Tomorrow
 - Agronomy Club
 - American Fisheries Society
 - Collegiate Farm Bureau
 - Forestry Club
 - Horsemen's Association
 - Missouri State Collegiate FFA
 - MSU Cattleman's Club
 - MSU Fishing Team
 - Springfield Community Gardens
 - Pre-Veterinary Club
 - Block & Bridle
- Learn more about MSU Ag student orgs [HERE!](#)

WEEK OF WELCOME 2026!

It's time to celebrate a new year! Move in, meet new friends and enjoy a week full of events. Events include:



Thursday, August 13

Room Decor Bingo 7-9pm
PSU Theater

Sponsored by:



Friday, August 14

Snow Glad to See You
11-2pm (rain or shine)
Plaster Student Union Patio

417 Street Fest 6-8pm
Elm Street



Saturday, August 15

BearZEN 9-10am
Magers Health & Wellness Center 100

Grab a Scoop with FSL 12-2pm
Plaster Student Union Patio

Bear Bash 7-10pm
North Mall and PSU



Sunday, August 16

New Student Convocation 2pm
Great Southern Bank Arena

Campus Fest CMA 6:30-9pm
North Mall

And more! For the full list of events,
click [HERE!](#)