

Rising Sophomore Housing Selection Overview

This housing selection process is for students in their first year at Xavier to select housing for the 2026-2027 academic year. This includes:

- Students who started at Xavier in Fall 2025 as first years
- Students who started at Xavier in Fall 2025 as new transfer students
- Students who started at Xavier in Spring 2026

Process Overview

Monday, January 26, 2026

Housing Application Opens & Roommate Group Formation Starts on MyHousing Portal

Friday, February 13, 2026

Housing Accommodation Deadline with Accessibility & Disability Resources

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

Muskie Match-Up at 6 PM, Center for Mission & Identity at Justice Hall (Across from Currito)

Monday, February 23, 2026

Housing Application Due & Roommate Group Formation Close at 12 PM ET (Noon)

Friday, February 27, 2026

Room Selection Times Announced to Xavier Email

Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Room Selection Day 1

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

Room Selection Day 2

Housing Application Overview

Xavier University has a two-year residency requirement for the class of 2029. All students must live on campus for their second year at Xavier unless commuting from a permanent family address within 35 miles of campus.

All students must complete an updated housing application for the 2026-2027 academic year.

The housing application tells us your housing preferences for next academic year.

Students who **don't** submit a housing application **cannot** be included in the formation of roommate groups or select their own room.

Housing Accommodations

Students requiring housing accommodations must submit an online application to Accessibility and Disability Resources. Contact adr@xavier.edu or 513-745-3280 for more information.

Deadline to submit: Friday, February 13th at 5 PM ET

- Prior to room selection days, students approved for housing accommodations will be sent two housing assignment options that meet their needs.
- We do our best to offer two options that satisfy your accommodation *as well as* your preferences (such as a roommate group.)
- If you are unhappy with your two options, you may choose to forgo your accommodation and enter the room selection pool with everyone else.

Deadline to Submit Your Housing Application

Monday, February 23, 2026 at 12 PM ET (Noon)



Step 1

SUBMIT YOUR HOUSING APPLICATION

Detailed Instructions for each step of the process can be found on our website under Housing Application & Selection - Current Student

How?

1. Log in to MyHousing Portal
2. Navigate to the “Housing Application” tab on the top menu
3. Click “Academic Year 26-27”
4. Start housing application, complete all sections, and click “Save & Continue”



Step 2

Optional

FORM A ROOMMATE GROUP

Once you have clicked “Save & Continue” on your housing application, the **option** to form a roommate group with other students will open.

Deadline: Monday, February 23, 2026 at 12 PM ET (Noon)

How?

1. Make sure each person in your group has submitted their housing application.
2. Reopen your submitted application. You will automatically be taken to the Roommate Group Formation step.
3. Search for your roommates. (If they don’t appear, they haven’t submitted their housing application yet.)
4. Everyone in your roommate group will receive an email containing your group’s randomly generated room selection time.

Group Size Limits by Building

2 People

Manor House

4 People

Buenger
Commons
Village

6 People Group

Justice

8 People Group

Justice

Justice Hall

The majority of second-year students will live in Justice. There are approximately 700 rising sophomores, Justice can house 500 students.

The vast majority of rooms in Justice are doubles.

*Suites with singles are reserved for students with appropriate housing accommodations.



Will there be an opportunity to meet people to form a roommate group?

Yes! Attend the Muskie Meet-Up!

Who: Any student who wants to find a new roommate or suitemates!

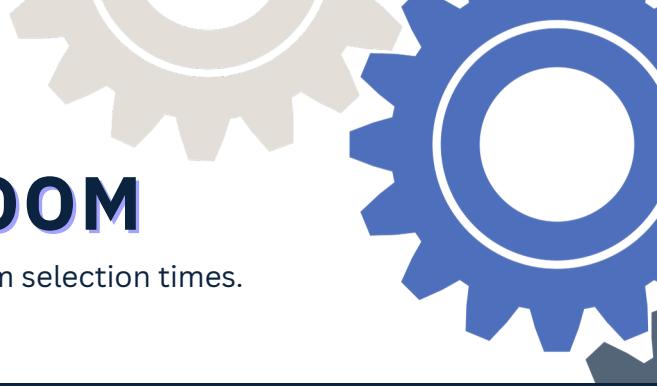
Where: Center for Mission & Identity at Justice Hall (Across from Currito)

When: Wednesday, February 18th, 6pm



SELECT A ROOM

Links will be sent out via email with room selection times.



How?

All individuals and groups will receive a random room selection time.

Students may select a space beginning at their selection time or any point after that time during the selection hours on March 3-4:

- **Tuesday, March 3rd:** 9 AM-5 PM
- **Wednesday, March 4th:** 9 AM-5 PM

For students in a roommate group, any member of the group may go in during (or after) the group's time to select spaces for all group members. Once a space has been selected, no changes to a student's assignment for next year can be made until the room freeze is lifted the third week of the fall semester.

Discuss at least three housing options with your group. Get to know each other's level of comfort with selecting a particular community or pricing option.



Optional: Join the Waitlist

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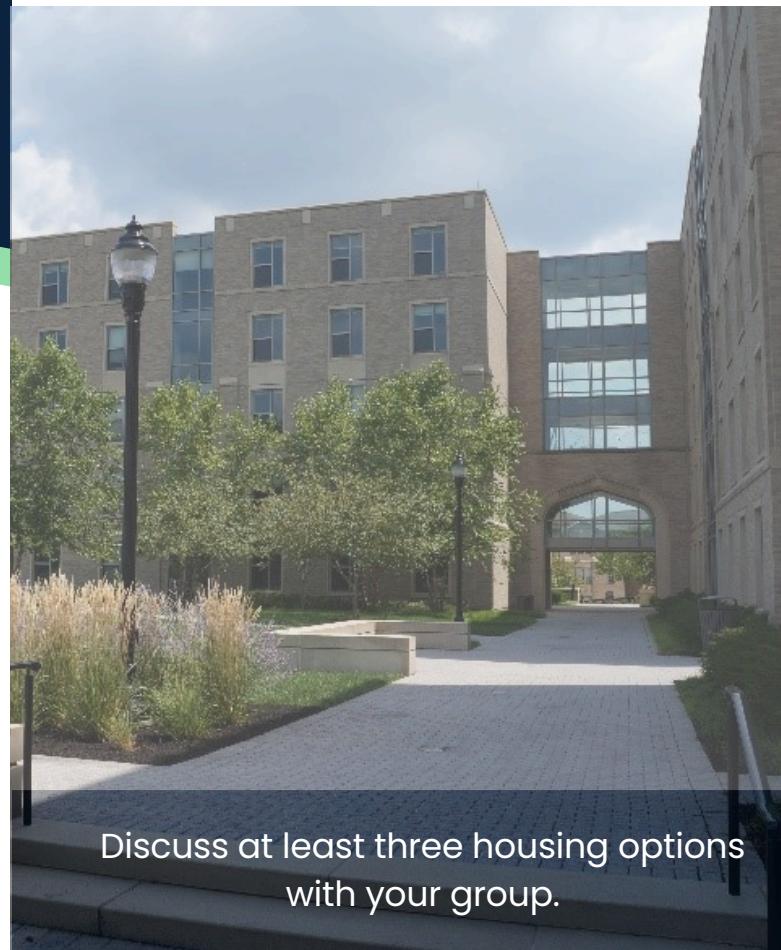
We recognize all students may not get a room in their preferred location.

After selecting a room, students may place themselves (as individuals) on the waitlist on *MyHousing*.

Over the summer, as cancellations occur, we will adjust assignments as possible. This is more easily done for individuals rather than groups.

Justice Hall

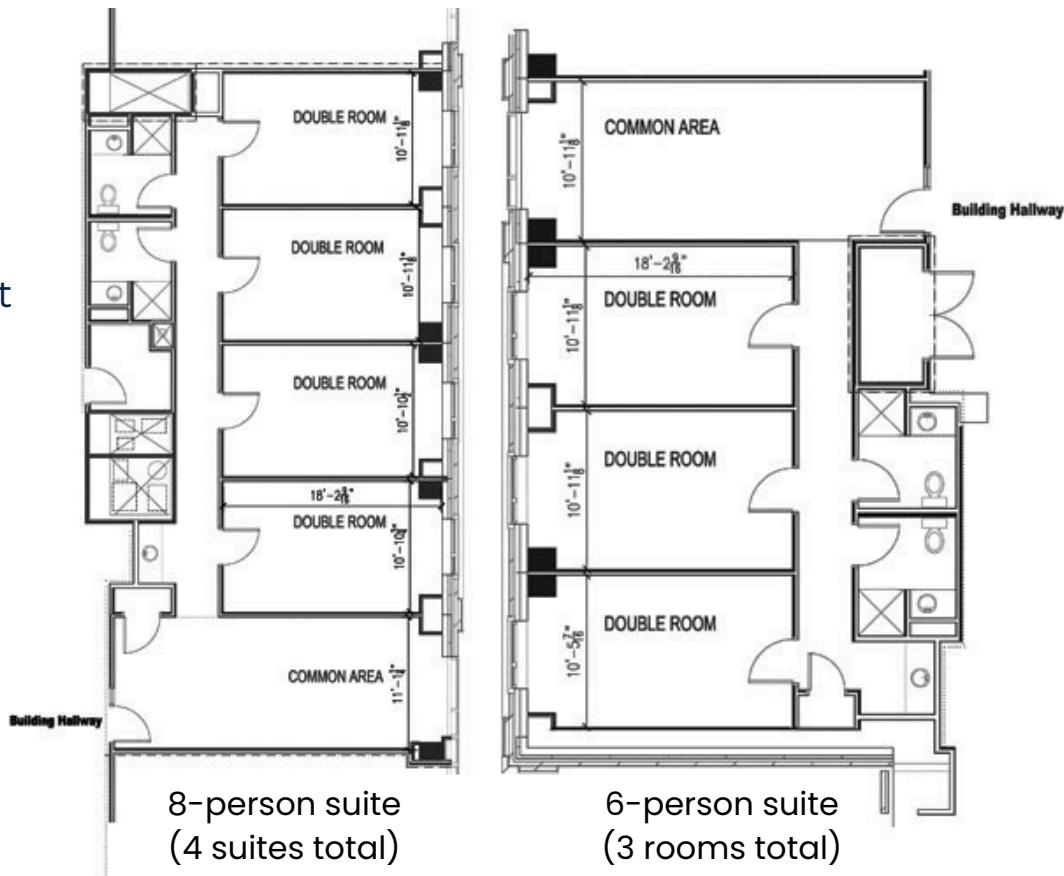
- Suites hold either four, six, or eight students total.
- There are very few four-person suites.
- Suites contain double bedrooms
- A handful of 4- and 6-person suites contain two single rooms in place of one of the double rooms.
- Singles are reserved for students with appropriate housing accommodations.



Discuss at least three housing options with your group.

Ideal for students:

- Wanting to live with a large number of students
- Wanting to live closest to the dining hall



Buenger Hall

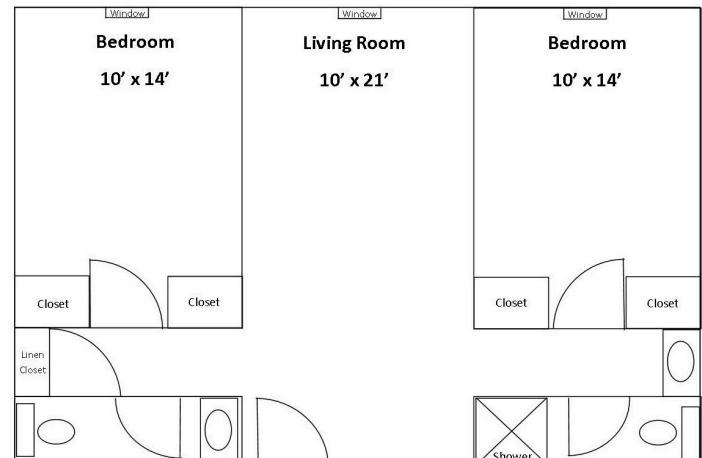
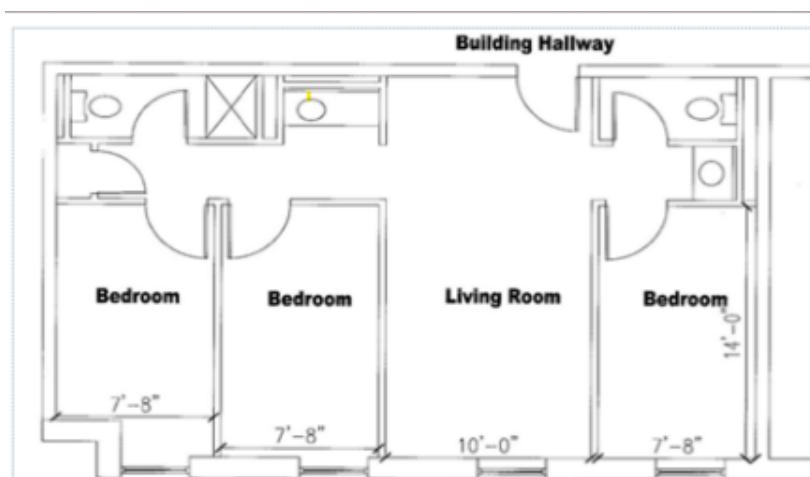


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- Suites on fourth floor reserved for second-year students
- Suites are single-gender
- Floor is co-ed
- Suites have either single bedrooms or double bedrooms
- 1.5 bathrooms per suite
- 1 suite for six exists on 4th floor

Ideal for students:

- Wanting suite-style living
- Wanting a more affordable housing option than apartments



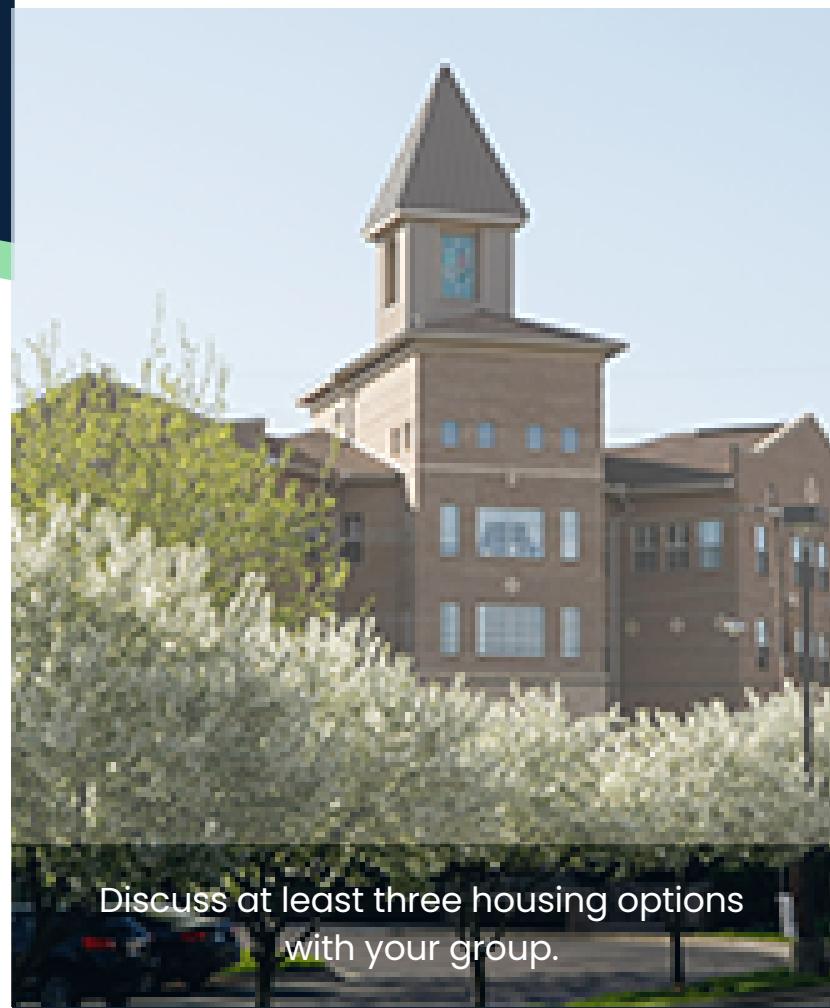
Detailed instructions for each step of the process can be found on our website

Commons Apartments

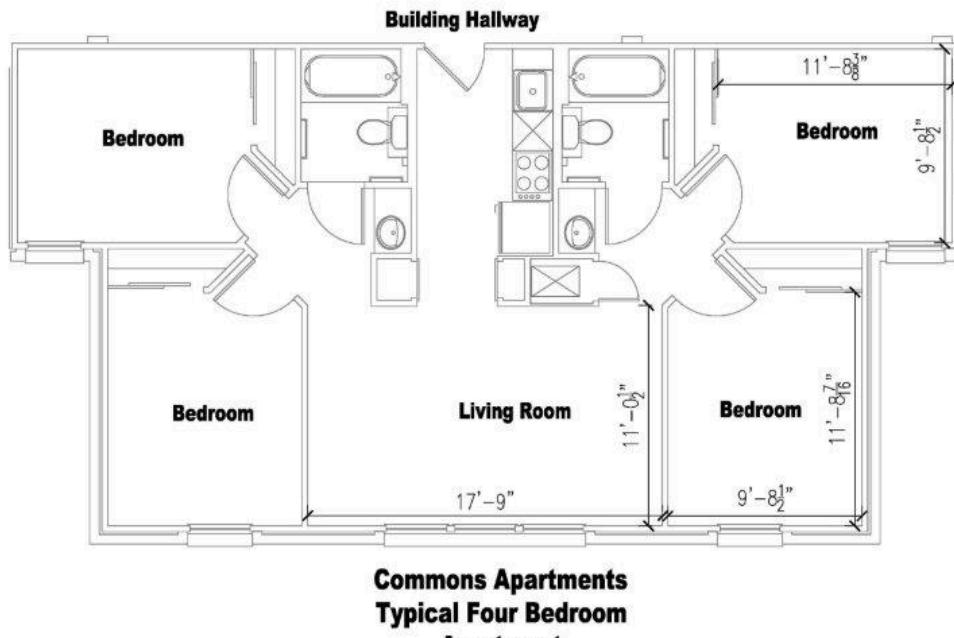
- All single bedrooms
- Four-person apartments with shared kitchen and bathrooms
- **Very limited apartments remain available for rising sophomores**
- Some spaces available for individuals or pairs already assigned to a roommate group with juniors and seniors.

Ideal for students:

- Wanting a single bedroom in a shared apartment



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Village Apartments

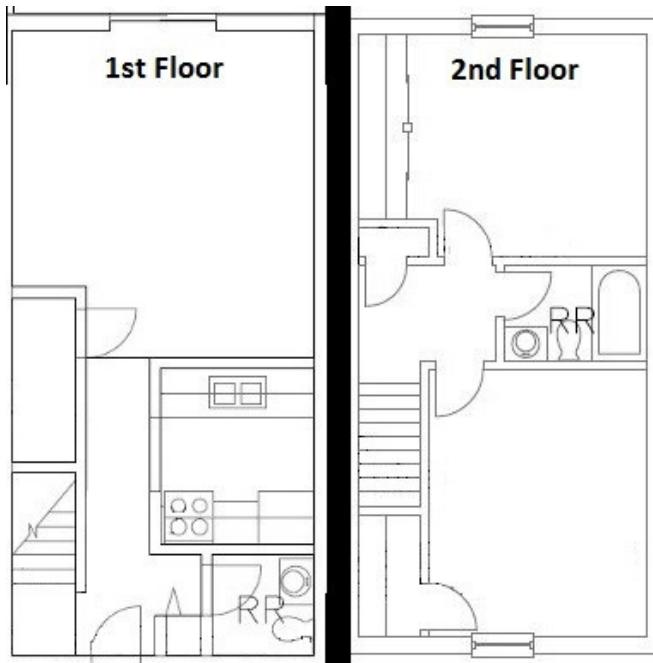


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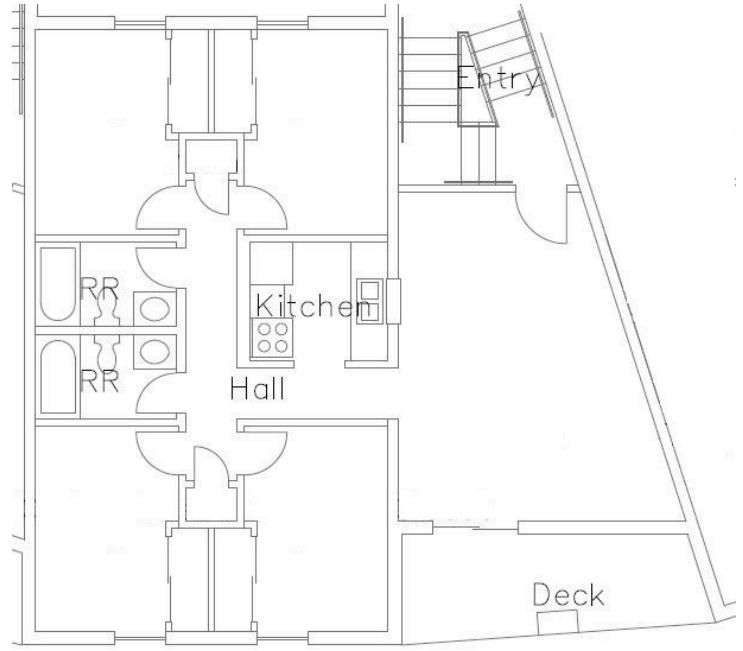
- Four-person apartments made up of two double bedrooms (Units 1-29)
- Four-person apartments made up of four single bedrooms (Units 30-56, also called “The Towers”)
- Units 1-6 are one-story units with entrances off the courtyard
- Units 7-29 are two-story units overlooking the courtyard

Ideal for students:

- Wanting apartment living either in a double or single bedroom
- Wanting to live more independently and farther from campus



Two-bedroom townhouse, doubles



Four-bedroom apartment, singles

Manor House Apartments

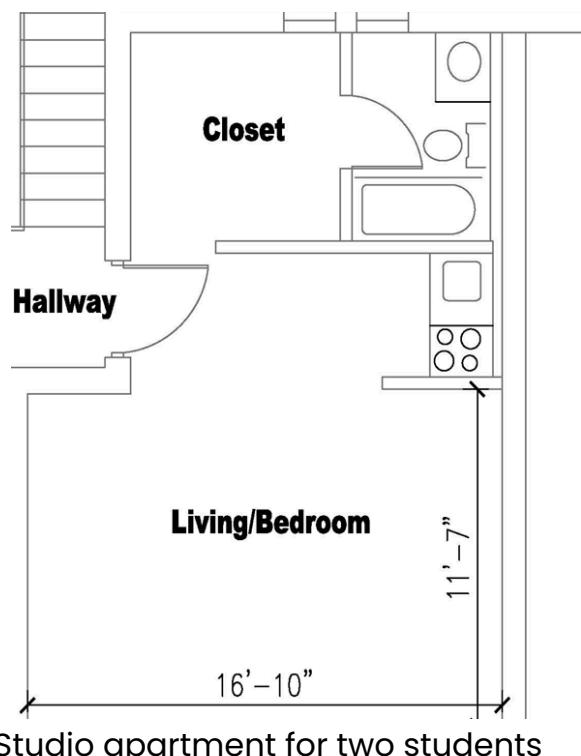
- Studio apartments housing two students per apartment
- Units are in five separate towers
- Outdoor courtyard outside each tower entrance

Ideal for students:

- Wanting apartment-style living
- Wanting a more affordable apartment option



Discuss at least three housing options with your group.



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FAQS

YOU'VE ASKED,
WE'VE ANSWERED!



THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE COMMON QUESTIONS OUR OFFICE RECEIVES AND ALSO FROM THE XAVIER UNIVERSITY PARENT'S FACEBOOK PAGE. THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST, SO PLEASE HAVE YOUR STUDENT CONTACT OUR OFFICE IF ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS REMAIN.

What if I forget to apply by the deadline?

You will be able to apply in late March and will be assigned to any remaining available space.

What housing options are available?

Halls: Buenger Hall and Justice Hall

Apartments: Commons, Village Apartments, Manor House

You can learn more about each option on our website. Meal plans are required for all students living on campus.

Will I get to live in Justice Hall?

Justice Hall has a capacity of 500 students. There are more than 700 students in this housing selection process, so all rising sophomores will not live in Justice. We suggest having at least two back-up plans.

How are selection times generated?

Times are generated randomly by the housing software after the application closes. No preference is given to application submission time, credits, or any other criteria.

Do Honors Program students receive priority?

Honors Program students only receive priority their first year living on campus to form the Honors Community in Buenger. Several years ago we provided rising sophomores priority housing and there quite simply was no demand for such priority as most Honors students select at least one non-Honors student to be part of their groups.

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What is the best housing option for sophomores?

This differs for each student in the process and is dependent on the kind of experience you hope to have!

Why do I need to consider at least three options?

Since we have specific inventory of available spaces, depending on the selection time, it is possible your first choice may no longer be available. Having at least three options is important so students can seamlessly select a space.

What are options for me to meet potential roommates?

The Office of Residence Life will host a Muskie Match Up event for students to meet potential roommates.

Thursday, February 19th, 6pm at the Center for Mission & Identity at Justice Hall (Across from Currito)

Can I see spaces beforehand?

For safety reasons, we are unable to show spaces in advance. Video tours of each area are available on our website under Residences.

Do I have to form a roommate group?

You do not! Each year many students chose to participate as an individual and have random roommates. At times, we may have to move around students within the building they select to help consolidate space.

I am a RA candidate. What do I need to do?

All candidates are asked to participate in the process with the assumption they will not get the position. The Office of Residence Life will assign the candidate to an RA room if they are selected.

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Why is housing priority given to only a few athletic teams & not given to ALL athletic teams?

Housing priority for athletic teams is determined by the Athletic Department. Traditionally, they have selected a total of three teams to receive priority. Questions can be referred to their department.

How does the lottery work with respect to a group ? Does the best number pick for group?

Each student receives an individual time, but the best time then becomes the time for the entire group. Any of the students in the group may log in at that time to select for the group or they can all meet up so they are together when they pick. Only one student should select for the group.

Why does it cost the same for a 4 vs 6 person suite in Justice?

We base our housing costs on building type (apartment-style, traditional- style, suite-style) in addition to how many students share a bedroom. Four-person suites in Justice have two people per room just like the six person suite, so the cost is the same.

Why don't you conduct selection during evening or on weekends?

We think it is important to be readily available for students to be able to answer in-the-moment questions or troubleshoot issues. Our experience is that at least one member of the group is available during the group selection time.