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IMPORTANT DATES

HOUSING AGREEMENT OPENS JANUARY 23, 2026
ROOMMATE MATCHING & GROUP FORMATION BEINGS MAY 15TH (ENDS JUNE 12TH)
IMMUNIZATION FORM DUE JUNE 1ST
HOUSING AGREEMENT PRIORITY DEADLINE JUNE 1ST
RECEIVE SELECTION TIMESLOT JUNE 18TH
HOUSING SELECTION JUNE 22ND - 26TH
MOVE-IN INFORMATION EMAIL JULY 31, 2026
MOVE-IN DAY AUGUST 19TH - 22ND



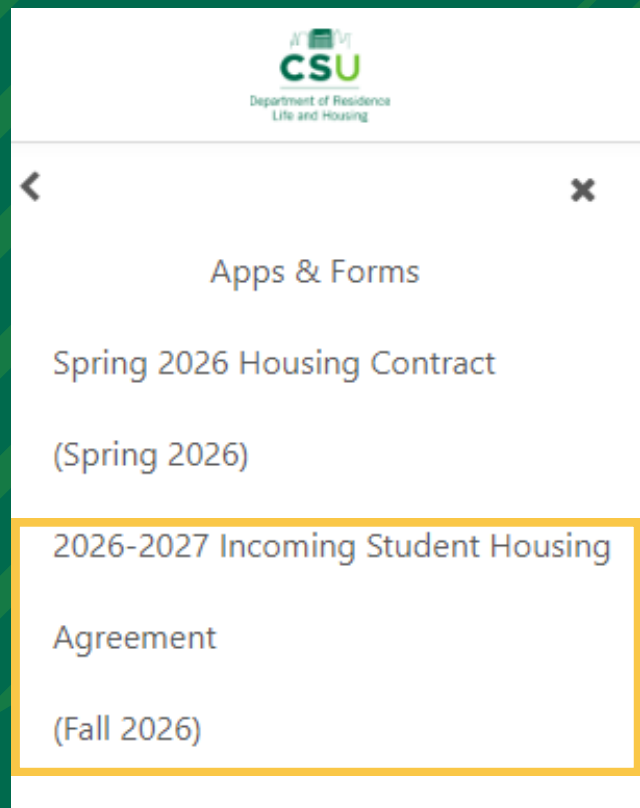
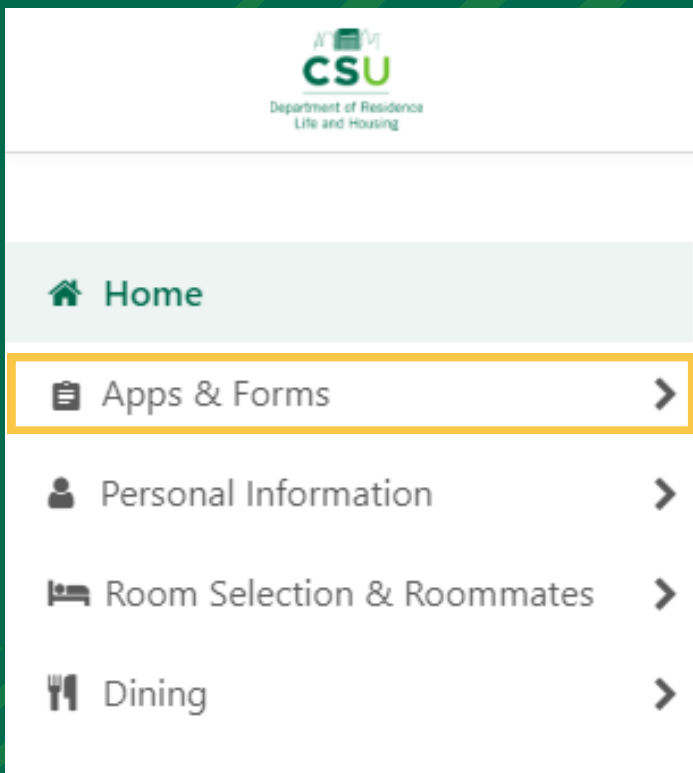
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HOUSING AGREEMENT

Completing the Housing Agreement is the first phase of the Incoming Student Housing Process which is needed to gain access to all the other phases.

- 1.) Go to [Housing Self-Service](#)
- 2.) You will need to use your CSU ID login (ex: 1234567@vikes.csuohio.edu) and password.
If you need assistance with your password, call the Information Services & Technology (IS&T) Help Desk at (216)-687-5050 during normal business hours.
- 3.) Select “Apps & Forms” from the left menu and then select “2026-2027 Incoming Student Housing Agreement”.
- 4.) *Be sure to complete the supplemental questions on pages 2 and 3, after electronically signing agreement*
- 5.) Pay your \$200 Housing Deposit





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OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES (ODS) APPROVED ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodation requests must be submitted to the Office of Disability Services (ODS) for review and approval. Once approved, ODS will notify the Department of Residence Life and Housing. For students to receive accommodations, ODS needs them to submit the online application, submit documentation of their disability, and come in for their intake appointment. Students are not registered with the Office of Disability Services until all these steps are complete. Please visit <https://www.csuohio.edu/disability/register> to start the process.

The priority deadline for incoming student housing accommodations is June 1, 2026.



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HOUSING AGREEMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Please carefully review the Housing Agreement below as you're adhering to its terms and conditions. By signing in the electronic signature box below, you agree to all terms and conditions of this Housing Agreement. A digital copy of the Housing Agreement will be emailed to you upon completion of your application. [The Housing Agreement can be downloaded here.](#)

2026-2027 Incoming Student Housing Agreement

We are very excited that you will be joining us on campus for the 2026-2027 academic year! In this form, you will do the following:

1. Review and electronically sign your housing agreement
2. Purchase Renter's Insurance through GradGuard (highly recommended but not required)
3. Complete the questions on the following pages of the agreement that outline the following:
 - a. Student Questions
 - b. Agreement/Term Dates
 - c. Roommate Preference Questions*
 - d. Emergency Contact & Missing Persons Contact
 - e. Mobile Phone Information
4. Pay \$200 Housing Deposit

Housing Agreement Acknowledgement

Please carefully review the Housing Agreement below as you are adhering to its terms and conditions. By signing in the electronic signature box below, you agree to all terms and conditions of this Housing Agreement. A digital copy of the Housing Agreement will be emailed to you upon completion of your application. You can also [download the 2026-2027 Housing Agreement here.](#)

Housing Rates

The housing rates are subject to approval by the Euclid Avenue Development Corporation Board on behalf of CSU and are outlined based on the CSU Guarantee Cohorts that are approved.

If you do not agree, [exit the application here.](#)

If you agree, sign your name in the box below.

- ☒ Enter your full name to give consent (Hand drawn signature will be auto generated)
- ☐ Use the signature pad to draw your signature

Enter your full name

Clear signature

1

Please review the full Housing Agreement to be aware of what you're agreeing to before you sign this binding document

2

After you have reviewed the Housing Agreement, you'll need to electronically sign it, in one of two ways;

1. Type your name and it will transcribe it for you
(see example in screenshot)
2. Use signature pad to draw your signature



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HOUSING SELF-SERVICE HELP TEXT

Once you're in the Housing Agreement, the Help Text will be a resource for you. Providing reminders and information you can access while completing the Housing Agreement. Please see the example below.

Help Text

Housing Agreement Acknowledgement

Please carefully review the Housing Agreement below as you are for adhering to its terms and conditions. By signing in the electronic signature box below, you agree to all terms and conditions of this Housing Agreement. A digital copy of the Housing Agreement will be emailed to you upon completion of your application. [You can also download a PDF version of the Housing Agreement here.](#)

Housing Rates & Floor Plans

The housing rates are subject to approval by the CSU Board of Trustees and are outlined based on the CSU Guarantee Cohorts. Residential communities close during break periods. Students are permitted to stay in the communities during the Thanksgiving Recess and Spring Break periods as long as they register when each respective break registration opens. However, communities are closed during the Winter Break period (between the end of Fall semester and the start of the Spring semester). Students who wish to stay during Winter Break will pay an additional charge to reflect the Winter Break period.

- [View Housing Rates Here](#)
- Euclid Commons: [Floor Plans](#) | [Virtual Tour](#)

Application Questions & Questionnaire Instructions

Don't forget to complete the Application Questions after you review and sign the contract/agreement on the first page. For the Housing Application, the questionnaire information will be used to help assist the housing team in determining a "good fit" for your future roommates. [Please complete these questions yourself and answer truthfully so that we may find the best placement that meets your personality/profile.](#)

Housing Accommodations

Accommodation requests must be submitted to Office of Disability Services (ODS) for review and for approval through their office. Once approved, ODS will notify the Department of Residence Life and Housing and will proceed from there. For students to receive accommodations we need them to submit the online application, submit documentation of their disability, and



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HOUSING RATES AND MEAL PLANS

Housing rates are subject to approval by the CSU Board of Trustees and are outlined based on the CSU Guarantee Cohorts. Gain a better understanding of the different rates for each agreement term (Winter Break Housing vs. No Winter Break Housing). [Housing Rates be can be viewed here.](#)

All residents living in University Housing are required to select one of the residential meal plans for the entire academic year. [Meal Plans and Rates can be viewed here.](#)



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RENTERS INSURANCE

As noted in your Housing Agreement, Cleveland State University does not assume any financial responsibility for the personal property of students. We strongly recommend students obtain renters insurance prior to move-in. Here are some scenarios in which renters insurance can help;

- You leave your laptop in the library unattended as you grab lunch, to later find that it was stolen.
- You return to the residence halls after class, to find that someone accidentally caused a fire on your floor and the smoke ruined all of your clothes, books and bedding.
- You accidentally hang your clothes on the sprinkler head. Water damage destroys your stuff and the belongings of other residents on your floor.

We have partnered with GradGuard, which offers a College Renters Insurance Plan that is specifically designed for students. For about \$14.08 per month, GradGuard can protect you in the scenarios listed above and more.

1. After electronically signing your Housing Agreement, you will be brought to the GradGuard (Renters Insurance) section of the housing application. Click “Continue”.
2. You will be redirected to the GradGuard website where you will need to make a decision. If you are interested, you will need to enter your information and Click “Start My GradGuard Enrollment”.

A screenshot of the GradGuard website interface. At the top, it features the CSU logo and the text "Cleveland State University" and "GRADGUARD PARTNER". Below this, a message states: "We at GradGuard care about your college experience and want to help you protect your investment." Another message says: "At Cleveland State University, you are eligible for an exclusive renters insurance plan designed for college students." A button labeled "Learn how GradGuard helps protect students" is present. Below that, it says "Here's what your school recommends:". The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "HULK'S RENTERS QUOTE", displays a large blue "\$14.08" with "PER MONTH*" underneath. A small note at the bottom of this column says "*\$1.25 installment fee added per payment". The right column, titled "YOUR COVERAGE DETAILS", shows "STARTING 08/21/2026" and lists three coverage options: "Property" with a radio button and "\$5K", "Liability" with a radio button and "\$100K", and "Deductible" with a radio button and "\$100". An "Edit your coverage" button is at the bottom of this column. At the very bottom of the page, there are two large buttons: a blue "Purchase coverage" button and a white "Decline coverage" button with a grey border.

3. If you determine that you're not interested or not ready, Click the “I would like to decline all coverage” link at the bottom of the page and you will be prompted with a final “Not Interested or Not Ready” page. Make the appropriate selection for you. Finally, you will be presented with a page, confirming your selection. Click “Continue with Application” to be redirected back to the Housing Self-Service portal to continue with your housing agreement.



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STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

After you review the agreement and provide your electronic signature, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire about yourself. The questionnaire information will help you and your potential roommate(s) determine if you're a "good fit" for each other.

Please complete this yourself and be sure to answer truthfully.

I am interested and prefer living in an animal-free space.
Only service animals, approved emotional support animals, and fish in tanks of 10 gallons or less are permitted. *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Please describe yourself and some of your personal interests. What do you want a roommate to know about you?
(e.g., hobbies, clubs, sports, musical preferences). *

What allergies, if any, do you have that might be helpful for a possible roommate to know
(e.g., foods, animals, etc.)? *

What best describes your ideal roommate relationship? *

What conditions do you prefer to sleep in? *

What time do you typically go to bed on weekends? *

What time do you typically go to bed on weeknights? *

When do you most prefer to study? *

Where do you most prefer to socialize with others? *

Where do you most prefer to study? *

Students are required to pay their \$200 housing deposit. Students who have not paid their housing deposit, will have it added to their student account and will need to pay them prior to moving in. *

Helpful Tips for Completing Questionnaire

Complete this yourself: Do not have a family member log in and complete it. Only you truly know yourself.

Reflect on each question: Although your first instinct is probably the right answer, take time to think about each question and the long-term effects of each one.

Be honest: You will likely be happier if your answers represent your preferences, not what you perceive your answers "should be". The only "right" answers are those that best reflect you and your needs.



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EMERGENCY CONTACT AND MISSING PERSONS

Click on the circled “pencil icon” as shown in the above image to enter a contact’s information. Please enter as much accurate information as you can. This will be vital in the event of an emergency, especially involving your health and well-being. If you have only one phone number for a contact, simply enter that same number in the other “phone” fields.

Required	Completed	Type	Name	Relationship	Email	Mobile	Home	Work
✓	✓	Emergency Contact (this CAN be the same as Missing Persons Contact)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
✓	✓	Missing Persons (this CAN be the same as Emergency Contact)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
✗	✗	Parent/Guardian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Continue

Emergency & Missing Persons Contact Information

Before you can submit your Housing Agreement, you will need to enter your **Emergency Contact** and **Missing Persons Contact** information. Both contacts CAN be the same individual, but you must enter their info in each contact type.

If you are under 18 years of age and not emancipated, your custodial parent or guardian will be notified in the case that you are missing. Custodial parent/guardian notification will occur in addition to notification of the Missing Person Contact, if the Missing Person Contact is someone other than a custodial parent/guardian.

Parent/Guardian Contact: Your parent/guardian information may also be entered from this screen, but it is not required unless you are under 18

Once you are done entering both contact’s information, click “Continue” to pay the deposit & submit your Housing Agreement.