

# FAQ | Housing

A quick guide for McMurry students and families preparing for campus housing.

<p><b>Contact Residence Life</b></p> <p>residencelife@mcm.edu 325-793-6548</p>	<p><b>Sheets</b></p> <p>Twin XL-Long sheets are recommended.</p>	<p><b>Appliances</b></p> <p>One microwave per room; mini-fridges up to 3.5 cubic feet.</p>
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### Before You Arrive

- Submit your own housing application; students are strongly encouraged to complete it themselves.
- Pack Twin XL-Long sheets.
- Coordinate with your roommate before bringing a mini-fridge, microwave, television, or extra furniture.
- Use removable, non-damaging adhesives for walls and doors; do not use nails, push pins, or tacks.
- Check your McMurry student email regularly for roommate communication and move-in information.
- Review housing requirements, guest expectations, and pet/ESA documentation before move-in.

## APPLYING AND MOVE-IN

### Housing Application and Check-In

**Q: I am the parent of a student coming to McMurry. Can I apply for housing for my student?**

Students are strongly encouraged to submit their own housing application. If your student has questions, they may contact Residence Life at 325-793-6548.

**Q: Can I check in early?**

Early check-ins are allowed only in extraordinary circumstances. Students required to move in early for a fall sport or band will receive instructions from their coach and the Residence Life team.

## ROOM ESSENTIALS

### What to Bring

**Q: What size sheets do I need?**

Twin XL-Long.

**Q: Are there refrigerators in the rooms?**

No. Students are encouraged to coordinate with their roommate and decide who will bring a mini-fridge. Refrigerators can be up to 3.5 cubic feet. The entertainment center in Hunt and Martin accommodates a fridge up to 33.75 inches tall by 25.2 inches wide.

**Q: Are microwaves allowed?**

Microwaves are not furnished, but one microwave per room is permitted in all halls. Coordinate with your roommate before bringing one.

**Q: What size TV should I bring?**

A smaller TV is recommended, with a maximum size of 24 inches. Most rooms have space for this size without displacing other furniture. A 24-inch TV fits comfortably in the Hunt and Martin entertainment center.

**ROOM SETUP**

**Furnishings and Decorations**

**Q: Are the rooms furnished?**

Yes. Each resident is provided with one bed, a dresser, a desk, and a chair.

**Q: May I bring my own furniture?**

Residence Life recommends waiting until you have settled into your room before bringing extra or large furniture, unless it is essential. Students should discuss extra items with their roommate. University furniture must remain in the assigned room, and students may be billed for damaged or removed furniture.

**Q: Can I hang stuff on my walls?**

Yes. Use removable, non-damaging adhesives, such as 3M Command products, for attaching items to walls and doors. Nails, push pins, and tacks are not permitted. Students may be charged if the walls require repainting.

**ROOMMATES AND SUPPORT**

**Roommates, Room Changes, and Maintenance**

**Q: Can I change rooms or request roommates?**

Students may request a room change only during the period designated by Residence Life and with approval from Residence Life staff. Room switches without prior approval are not permitted. To request a roommate before move-in, note the request on the housing application or email [residencelife@mcm.edu](mailto:residencelife@mcm.edu).

**Q: What if I cannot get in contact with my future roommate?**

Email is the best way to contact a future roommate. Most student emails follow this format: [lastname.firstname@mcm.edu](mailto:lastname.firstname@mcm.edu). Students should also check their McMurry student email to see if their roommate has already reached out.

**Q: What if I need maintenance assistance in my room?**

Each residence hall has a simple process for getting maintenance help quickly. These processes are provided at move-in.

**LIVING EXPECTATIONS****Cleaning, Campus Living, Guests, and Pets****Q: Who is responsible for cleaning my room or bathroom?**

Residents are responsible for cleaning their own room and bathroom. Roommates and suitemates are strongly encouraged to create a shared cleaning schedule.

**Q: How long must I reside on campus?**

Unmarried first- and second-year students with fewer than 60 McMurry credit hours who are under age 21 and do not reside with a parent or legal guardian within a 30-mile radius of campus are required to live on campus and purchase a residential meal plan. Students will be billed for a residence hall room and meal plan unless approved to live off campus by the Director of Residence Life and Housing.

**Q: Can guests visit me in my room?**

Yes. Students should refer to the Student Handbook for visitation policy guidelines.

**Q: May I bring a pet?**

Under the Fair Housing Act, colleges must allow service animals and assistance animals, including emotional support animals, in campus housing when proper documentation is provided. Outside approved ESAs, the exception is fish in a tank no larger than eight gallons. Residence Life discourages students from bringing pets to campus to avoid distractions from academics and campus life.

**Need help?** Contact Residence Life at [residencelife@mcm.edu](mailto:residencelife@mcm.edu) or 325-793-6548.