Off-Campus Living Guide

A Buckeye's guide to living off campus
| 1 BEDROOMS | 2262 N. HIGH ST. | 240 W. LANE | 2138 N. 4TH |
| 233 W. Norwich | 47 E. Frambes | 49 E. Norwich | 101 E. NORWICH |
| 232-140 W. LANE | 47 E. Frambes | 49 E. 18TH | 101 E. 13TH |
| 30-36 E. WOODRUFF | 197 E. 13TH | 199-101 E. NORWICH | 231-232 W. 9TH |
| 3-13 E. LANE | 132-140 W. LANE | 123 E. NORWICH | 151 W. E. 8TH |
| 75-77 W. 10TH | 170 E. NORWICH | 176-178 E. NORWICH | 1842-1844 N. 4TH |
| 4 BEDROOMS | 39 E. LANE | 48-50 E. 13TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 89 E. NORWICH | 62 E. 13TH | 156 E. 13TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 90-92 E. NORWICH | 185 E. 13TH | 191 E. 13TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 99-101 E. NORWICH | 191 E. 13TH | 191 E. 13TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 119-121 E. NORWICH | 61 E. 12TH | 156 E. 13TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 123 E. NORWICH | 64-70 E. 12TH | 101 E. 12TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 170 E. NORWICH | 132-140 E. 12TH | 109 E. 12TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 176-178 E. NORWICH | 132-140 E. 12TH | 101 E. 12TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 2088-2090 Tuller | 47-49 E. 18TH | 48 E. 17TH | 190 E. 14TH |
| 48 E. 17TH | 58 E. 17TH | 95 E. 14TH | 58 E. 17TH |
| 5 BEDROOMS, Cont. | 4 BEDROOMS, Cont. | 5 BEDROOMS, Cont. | 6+ BEDROOMS |
| 35-37 E. LANE | 95-97 E. LANE | 35-37 E. LANE | 1470 Highland |
| 105-107 E. NORWICH | 164 E. NORWICH | 105-107 E. NORWICH | 1699-1701 N. 4TH |
| 167-169 E. NORWICH | 170 E. NORWICH | 151 W. 8TH | 1743-1745 N. 4TH |
| 170 E. NORWICH | 176-178 E. NORWICH | 169-175 W. 10TH | 151 W. 8TH |
| 1842-1844 N. 4TH | 1912 E. 10TH | 1901 E. 10TH | 1699-1701 N. 4TH |
| 1743-1745 N. 4TH | 2088-2090 Tuller | 1912 E. 10TH | 1743-1745 N. 4TH |
| 105-107 E. NORWICH | 164 E. NORWICH | 170 E. NORWICH | 1470 Highland |
| 170 E. NORWICH | 176-178 E. NORWICH | 151 W. 8TH | 1699-1701 N. 4TH |
| 1743-1745 N. 4TH | 4 BEDROOMS, Cont. | 5 BEDROOMS, Cont. | 6+ BEDROOMS |
| 39 E. LANE | 132-140 W. LANE | 35-37 E. LANE | 88 E. NORWICH |
| 89 E. NORWICH | 49 E. 18TH | 95-97 E. LANE | 34 E. 18TH |
| 90-92 E. NORWICH | 42 E. 17TH | 105-107 E. NORWICH | 49 E. 18TH |
| 99-101 E. NORWICH | 48 E. 17TH | 164 E. NORWICH | 1988 Iuka |
| 119-121 E. NORWICH | 58 E. 17TH | 170 E. NORWICH | 1464 Highland |
| 123 E. NORWICH | 95 E. 14TH | 176-178 E. NORWICH | 1464 Highland |

Now leasing
Trust me, you’re gonna want to live here.
New Resident Life Center Coming 2016!

UniversityVillage.com 614-261-1211 505 Harley Drive Columbus, OH 43202
The Off-Campus Living Guide outlines the steps and resources to help you have an extraordinary off-campus living experience. Utilize this guide to answer your off-campus housing questions, learn about university and city resources available and understand your rights and responsibilities as an off-campus resident.

**LIFE OFF-CAMPUS**

07 Welcome to Life Off Campus
08 Discover Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services
10 Community Ambassadors and Commuter Liaisons
14 Save These Dates

**FINDING OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING**

21 The Search for Off-Campus Housing
24 Roommates 101
27 Identifying Roommate Scams
28 How to Inspect a Property
34 What to Expect When Signing a Lease
35 Student Legal Services
39 Know Your Home: Columbus
40 University District Map

**LIVING OFF-CAMPUS**

47 Preparing to Move: What’s Next?
50 You’ve Moved In: Now What?
52 Your Rights and Responsibilities
55 The Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program
58 Recycling 101
59 Trash Talk
62 Personal Safety
63 Home Safety
64 Fire Safety
66 Bicycle Safety
68 Party Smart
70 Student Wellness Center
72 Buckeye for Life
74 Commuting to Success
78 Get Involved
81 Moving Out
81 Important Contact Information
82 Don’t Forget These Tips

**CRÉDITS**

The Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services Staff 2015–2016

**STUDENTS**

Ezra Baker*  Noah Blacker
Allison Buerk  Carrington Conerly
Zoe Cook  Nicholas Dowd
"Tyler Dugen"  Rachel Denzow*
Greg Oyar*
Abbey Fricker*
Kady Gens
Ross Hassberger
Nick Kadarwick*
Marta Lally
Anushka Madolka
Satsuya Mazon
Dacie Maynard
Dakotsi Maynard
Royner Rivera
Ryan Stano
"Marissa Weatherly*"
Aydil Akinci
Amber Kalman
Edward Shek

**SPECIAL THANKS**

Matt Hansen
University Area Commission
The City of Columbus Fire Department
Datta Dunn
Lincoln
Rick Boerner
Firefighter

*Alumni
One Bedrooms:
- 70 W. Northwood
- 59 E. Norwich
- 2121 Iuka Ave
- 285 E. 15th Ave
- 194 E. 14th Ave
- 24-26 W. 10th Ave

Two Bedrooms:
- 2547 Neil Ave.
- 32 & 38 W. Patterson
- 70 W. Northwood Ave
- 14-20 W. Norwich
- 2121 Iuka Ave
- 1892 Indianola Ave
- 167 E. 14th Ave
- 152 Chittenden

Three Bedrooms:
- 195 E. 16th Ave
- 1746 Summit
- 1671 Summit
- 1673 Summit
- 1522 Indianola Ave
- 1524 Indianola Ave

Four Bedrooms:
- 91 W. Blake
- 62 W. Oakland
- 64 W. Northwood
- 100 W. Norwich
- 65 E. Norwich
- 136 E. Norwich
- 2163 Indianola
- 2169 Indianola
- 1892 Indianola
- 194 E. 14th Ave

Five Bedrooms:
- 64-70 Chittenden
- 672 Chittenden
- 81-93 Chittenden
- 99-101 Chittenden
- 59 E. 11th Ave
- 87-93 W. 9th Ave
- 122-128 W. 9th
- 86 W. 8th Ave
- 91 W. Blake
- 194 E. 14th
- 171 Frambes
- 98 Woodruff
- 195-201 E. 16th
- 1892 Indianola
- 194 E. 14th Ave

Six+ Bedrooms:
- 183 Frambes
- 100 Woodruff
- 219 E. 17th
- 1892 Indianola
- 176 E. 15th
- 190 E. 15th
- 290 E. 15
- 194 E. 14th
- 226 E. 14th
- 149 E. 13th
- 164 E. 14th
- 34 E. 12th

WWW.OSUPROPERTYMANAGEMENT.COM
OSUPROPERTYMANAGEMENT@GMAIL.COM
Welcome to Life Off-Campus!

Student Life’s Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services’ mission is to serve off-campus and commuter students by collaborating with stakeholders and providing opportunities to foster involvement, civic engagement and student success to enhance the extraordinary student experience. These efforts include encouraging off-campus and commuter students to understand their rights and responsibilities as a resident of the broader community, be actively engaged as a neighbor and student, as well as being a committed participant in one’s own personal safety. Through programming and mentorship, students acquire necessary life skills to have an extraordinary off-campus experience.

“Living off-campus can be fun and exciting. Enjoy discovering Columbus while becoming involved on and off campus. And remember, no matter where you live, let Student Life be a part of your off-campus living experience!”

Dilnavaz Cama
Department Manager
cama.1@osu.edu

WE WORK WITH
- Students
- Permanent residents
- Local area landlords
- University officials
- Local municipal representatives
- Various community members

STOP BY OUR OFFICE
Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services
Ohio Union Suite 3106
1739 N. High Street
Columbus, OH 43210
Phone: 614-292-0100
offcampus@osu.edu

Hours: Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Summer Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Phone: 614-292-0100
offcampus@osu.edu
Discover Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services

Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services is The Ohio State University’s resource center for off-campus living and commuting. We can provide you with the means to find housing and roommates, resources to encourage safe practices in the off-campus area, and support you while being a responsible neighbor in the Buckeye community. We work relentlessly to ensure you practice safe habits and enjoy your student experience. From providing free safety devices to monitoring the off-campus neighborhoods to mentoring first year commuters, we are here to support you.

Meet Willie

Off-Campus and Commuter Student Service’s Senior Director, Willie Young, can be found walking and driving the University District neighborhoods throughout the week and on the weekends, building positive relationships with off-campus students and offering advice on any safety concerns he may see along the way. An added bonus—if you’re a trivia buff, Willie Young is your man! He loves challenging students with his vast array of trivia knowledge.

“Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services has really been a second home to me. I enjoy coming to work every day and planning events to help students get engaged in the off-campus community. The work that we put into the community to promote safety, security and sustainability really pays off after seeing how students benefit from our initiatives that we provide. It is a rewarding feeling.”

Ingredient M.
Student Supervisor

Looking for roommates or housing?
Check out pages 24-25

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

@OffCampus_OSU
@offcampus_osu
OSUOffCampus

STAY CONNECTED!

FOLLOW US!
Keep up-to-date on the happenings of Student Life.

SHARE US!
Retweet and regram our posts to let others know what is happening in Student Life, too.

CHAT WITH US!
Tag us in your posts so we can engage in your extraordinary Student Life experience!

Office of Student Life calendar available at: studentlife.osu.edu/calendar

Creating the Extraordinary Student Experience
Community Ambassadors

Community Ambassadors are Ohio State students who live in the off-campus University District, directly interacting with residents to provide opportunities to foster involvement and civic engagement to enhance the extraordinary student experience. Community Ambassadors can talk with you about moving off campus, how to make a positive contribution to your neighborhood and more! Community Ambassadors are your peers available to support you for your many off-campus needs.

Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services
Ohio Union Suite 3106
1739 N. High Street
Columbus, OH 43210

Hours: Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Summer Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Phone: 614-292-0100
offcampus@osu.edu | offcampus.osu.edu

Commuter Liaisons

Commuter Liaisons are Ohio State students who commute to campus from various areas around central Ohio. They directly interact with fellow commuters to provide opportunities to foster involvement and student success, with the goal of impacting the commuter student retention rate. Commuter Liaisons are here to direct you to available resources for commuter students including free locker rentals, access to the commuter kitchen, how to get involved and more! Commuter Liaisons are your peers available to support you for your many commuter student needs.

If you are a commuter and you need transportation on campus, then try the CABS bus. The Campus Area Bus Service (CABS) is operated by Transportation and Traffic Management and provides convenient transportation on and around the Columbus campus. No ID or bus pass is needed to ride on regularly scheduled on campus CABS buses—just hop on at any of the stops located on campus. You can check the bus schedule online at ttm.osu.edu or use the OSUBus app. You can even text OSUTRIP* [BUS STOP#] to 41411.

"Commuter Liaisons serve as the voice for the commuter student population. We work to address the needs of commuter students while creating an inviting and inclusive community tailored to the commuter experience. "Throughout my position as a Commuter Liaison I have learned so much about the resources Ohio State offers, the opportunities for involvement on and off campus as well as the spaces available to meet the needs of commuter students."

Zoe C.
Commuter Liaison
Life is better at the Peak.
Hundreds of great studio to 8-bedroom apartments near Ohio State

PEAK PROPERTY GROUP
1646 N. High Street | 614.360.2020 | PeakPropertyGroup.com
Save These Dates

You won’t want to miss these great upcoming events for off-campus and commuter students.

COMMUTER PREVIEW DAY
AUGUST 8, 2016 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Commuter Preview Day is a one-day event created specifically by Commuter Liaisons for commuter students new to Ohio State. This event provides students with unique opportunities to become acclimated to campus life and connect with fellow commuter students.

- Practice parking in the West Campus or Central Campus parking lots
- Practice using the Campus Area Bus Service
- Pre-paid BuckIDs to use for lunch
- Enroll in the Commuter Mentoring Program

CITY PARKING PERMIT SALES
AUGUST 17–19 / 22–24 | OHIO UNION SUITE 3106
VISIT OFFCAMPUS.OSU.EDU FOR TIMES
LIMITED TIME ONLY

Depending on the street that you reside, you may be eligible to purchase a city parking permit. For more information, visit publicservice.columbus.gov, contact the Parking Violations Bureau at 614-645-6400 or go to 2700 Impound Lot Road, to purchase a permit. For a limited time in August, stop by our office to purchase a city parking permit.

What to bring:
- Vehicle registration
- Driver’s license
- Proof of residency
- Check or credit card

JOIN THE COMMUTER MENTORING PROGRAM
Meet one-on-one regularly with a Commuter Liaison who can help you be successful at Ohio State as a commuter student.

ROOMMATE FAIR
FALL 2016: OCTOBER 28 AND DECEMBER 2
SPRING 2017: MARCH 3 AND APRIL 7
OHIO UNION SUITE 1000 | 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

- Meet potential roommates face-to-face
- Light refreshments
- Resources for off-campus living

Note: Attendees are required to provide a student ID upon entry.

OFF-CAMPUS LIVING EXPO
OCTOBER 21, 2016 | 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
UNION PERFORMANCE HALL AND POTTER PLAZA

This interactive and hands-on event will help you learn about what the off-campus community has to offer as well as how to keep yourself and your community safe. Prizes are generously provided by event sponsors and donors.

Get information from:
- Landlords
- Businesses
- Various Ohio State departments
- Safety Resources

“Instead of calling a ton of different landlords, you have many of them within 20 feet of each other. It saves a lot of time and companies are willing to give you the information to rent their houses because they want them rented just as much as you want a place to live.”

Faith
Alumni
STUDENT CONDUCT has partnered with the MORITZ COLLEGE OF LAW to offer free and confidential mediation services to all Ohio State students as an avenue to resolve conflicts and disagreements.

ANTHONY & KIMBERLY Properties, LLC
134 Aldrich Road
Columbus, OH 43214
Website: A-KProperties.com
Phone: (614) 784 - 8255
Email: KLondo@aol.com
Great Rentals for Great People
LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE!
NOW LEASING FOR
2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

THE VIEW ON HIGH
2020 NORTH HIGH ST
www.TheViewOnHigh.com Phone Number: 614-297-8439

The View on High is steps away from classes, libraries, and the Ohio Stadium. All units are fully furnished with flat screen TVs. One, two, three, four and five bedroom units are available, most with private baths. Amenities include a courtyard with fire pit and grills, and a spacious community area with game room and study and meeting rooms. All units feature open floor plans, washer/dryer units, contemporary kitchens, walk-in closets, and wood grain floors.

LUXURY LIVING
Fully-furnished apartments with flat screen TVs and wireless and wired high-speed internet

CONTEMPORARY KITCHENS
Eurostyle cabinetry, pendant lighting and other custom finishes

RECREATION
24/7 fitness center, indoor and outdoor gathering spaces, and comfortable meeting areas

HIGH-END BATHS
Contemporary fixtures and roomy showers

SECURITY
Security cameras in garage and common areas, secure parking garage, and secure storage lockers

EASY LIVING
Central air, washer and dryer in every apartment and 24/7 maintenance and property management

LUXURY LIVING
Contemporary amenities such as a courtyard with fire pit and grills, and a spacious community area with game room and study and meeting rooms.

Harvard Square apartments are designed around our residents’ needs. That’s why we offer a comfy work/study lounge with charging stations—plus a patio, pool and an outdoor fire pit (coming soon) for when you’re ready to relax. Got a busy, round-the-clock work and sleep schedule?

Harvard Square is just what the doctor ordered.

 ALSO AVAILABLE:
THE VIEW ON FIFTH
1005 W. FIFTH AVE.
Luxury living in the Grandview area of Columbus, less than two miles from OSU! Stop in today to tour a model apartment.
ph: 614-674-6350 TheViewOnFifth.com

All properties are managed by HomeTeam Properties, a premier student housing manager. HomeTeam Properties is powered by experienced and friendly professionals who work hard to make your life easy.

www.HomeTeamProperties.net

Harvard Square Apartments
4438 Mobile Drive | Columbus, OH 43220
Close to The Ohio State University and Riverside Methodist Hospital
Call to schedule an appointment: (614) 457-2685

www.harvardsquareapts.com
The Search for Off-Campus Housing

An online housing search containing thousands of rental listings and landlord contact information is available at offcampus.osu.edu—your resource for everything off-campus! Please keep in mind that landlords and/or properties displayed on this online housing search are not university-endorsed or approved.

Top considerations for off-campus housing:

01. AFFORDABILITY AND UTILITIES

A necessary first step when selecting your off-campus housing is determining if you can afford the cost of living. To determine the affordability of a rental unit, you will need to consider the following:

- Rent
- Utilities
- Renters insurance (if needed)
- Books/parking/food
- Other living expenses (laundry, clothes, supplies, etc.)

Check out offcampus.osu.edu for a template budget spreadsheet and schedule a free one-on-one financial coaching appointment through the Student Wellness Center at go.osu.edu/yourfinances.

Because living within your means is vital, utilize a budget to keep track of your money. When renting a property, utility costs are often not included in the rent cost. Utilities can vary a great deal based on the type of unit you are renting and the age of the building, among other factors. When living with roommates, Off Campus and Commuter Student Services suggests budgeting an extra $150–$200/month per person for electric, gas, cable, internet and water. If you’re living alone, utility costs will most likely be higher.

02. PROPERTY LOCATION

You should never live where you feel unsafe simply to save money.

- Visit the property during the day, at night and on weekends to see if there is a major difference in environment. If there is a difference, make sure you are comfortable with this.
- Talk to the current tenants and/or neighbors and see what their experience has been with the landlord and/or with the area.
- Check out crime statistics for a particular area by visiting raidsonline.com.
- Talk to your friends who live in the area. Often, they can be your best resource when trying to find a suitable off-campus property.

- Make sure to contact landlords more than 24-hour in advance if you want to view potential rental properties, because landlords are required by Ohio Landlord Tenant Law to provide current tenants 24-hours’ notice prior to entry. Most landlords who own rental property in the University District will not have a model unit that they can show at the spur of the moment.
- Do not put all the utility bills under one person’s name in case a roommate does not consistently pay his/her share of the bills.
- Paying bills is an excellent way to build your credit score.
- Did you know? There are free apps that help divide the cost of bills amongst roommates.

Continued on next page »
05. **LANDLORD REPUTATION**

The Undergraduate Student Government publishes an annual *Renters Guide* which contains a compilation of ratings from students renting from many local area landlords. If you want to find out more about landlord habits, talk to current tenants to find out what their experience has been and ask questions such as:

- Was the place ready to move in at the start of the lease term?
- Does the landlord make repairs in a timely fashion?
- Does the landlord provide 24-hours notice prior to entering the premises?
- Is the landlord respectful and easy to work with?
- Would you rent again from this landlord?
- Does the landlord participate in the Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program? For more information, see pages 55–57.

You can find answers to some of these questions in the USG Renters Guide. Visit [offcampus.osu.edu](http://offcampus.osu.edu) or stop by 3106 Ohio Union to obtain this publication.

03. **SUBLEASING**

Need someone to take over your lease? Advertise your property on the Ohio State Off-Campus Housing Search after you are certain your landlord permits subleasing! Keep in mind that you may still be held responsible for the rent and/or potential property damage when subleasing your rental unit to someone else. In addition, subleasing can be difficult. There may be more available properties than students to fill these properties at any given time. To understand the implications of subleasing, talk to Student Legal Services at 614-247-5853.

**Sublet (v.)**

A vacant apartment or house where a renter has already signed a lease and is now trying to rent to another individual.
Roommates 101

Finding that perfect rental property is essential, but finding a compatible roommate is just as, if not more important. Take as much time and care in choosing your roommate(s) as you do in choosing where you live. Below are a list of resources and tips to keep in mind throughout your search.

01 ONLINE ROOMMATE SEARCH
Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services offers a secure, central platform to assist the Ohio State community in their off-campus roommate search. Users may post and/or virtually browse roommate ads, which allow individuals to describe not only the type of housing they have or are seeking, but also the type of roommate(s) they are seeking. Visit offcampus.osu.edu to create or browse roommate ads.

02 BUDGET
Not all students are in similar financial situations. Discussing financial expectations prior to signing a lease is crucial. This can help avoid future conflict when it comes to money issues. If you are concerned with your roommate’s ability to pay rent regularly, ask to see a credit report and offer a copy of your own in return. A copy of your credit report can be obtained through the Columbus Credit Bureau for a small fee, or by visiting annualcreditreport.com. Finally, implement a monthly budget and stick to it!

03 CLEAR EXPECTATIONS
Some landlords require rent to be paid with one check, so make sure to create an agreement on how and who will pay the rent each month. The best way to present clear expectations is by drafting and signing a roommate agreement. Visit offcampus.osu.edu for a pre-drafted roommate agreement!

Some things to consider when making household rules:
- Will the household have quiet study hours?
- Will everyone share the cost of food or shop individually and have a hands-off policy?
- Will everyone be permitted to have overnight guests, and if so, what are the stipulations?
- Will there be temperature regulations on the thermostat?

04 DISCUSS THE LEASE TERM
Regardless of whether or not you are living in the rental property all year round, you are responsible for paying your rent on time for the entire lease term. Make sure you and your roommate(s) are aware of one another’s plans and that you are all in agreement on items such as:
- Will each roommate be responsible for paying a share of the utilities, even if he/she is not residing in the property?
- If a roommate wants to find a replacement for his/her room and the landlord permits this, is everyone comfortable with the arrangement?
- Will the current roommates have a say in selecting the new/temporary roommate?

05 UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES AND DEALING WITH HOUSEHOLD CONFLICT
You can’t predict everything in life, but you can certainly plan for the future. For example, a roommate may run into financial difficulties and be forced to move out without paying rent. This may leave the financial burden on you and the remaining roommate(s). Therefore, it is best to decide how the household will deal with a situation such as this, to help resolve potential conflict in the future.

It’s nearly impossible to discuss every scenario that may come up during the lease term, but you can generally outline resolution procedures to help if and when conflict arises. For example, you and your roommates can establish house meetings and a voting system to resolve problems or you can contact Student Life’s Student Conduct office to utilize the free mediation program.

Finding that perfect rental property is essential, but finding a compatible roommate is just as, if not more important. Take as much time and care in choosing your roommate(s) as you do in choosing where you live. Below are a list of resources and tips to keep in mind throughout your search.

"Your living environment, including your roommate(s), directly affects your student experience ranging from your academics, engagement, satisfaction and post-graduation success."

Javaune Adams-Gaston, PhD, Senior Vice President for Student Life

"Remember: friends are not always the best roommates."

Joint and Several Liability Clause (n.)
A landlord’s ability to bring a lawsuit against any single tenant to pay rent or property damages, including the entire rent amount for the whole lease term, even if this individual was not the one to default on paying his/her rent.
YOUR BUDGET
Can you afford the rent? Set money aside for a security deposit. Visit the Student Wellness Center for financial counseling.

LANDLORD REPUTATION
What do your peers say about their landlord based on past experiences? Check out the USG Renter’s Guide at offcampus.osu.edu to see how landlords are ranked by previous tenants.

ROOMMATES
How well do you know your roommates and their habits? Are your roommates financially responsible? Communicate all expectations by creating a roommate agreement.

SAFETY
Does the landlord participate in the Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program, helping you to learn about the property’s safety, security and sustainability? Visit potential properties at various times throughout the day and night.

YOUR RIGHTS
Schedule a lease review with Student Legal Services at studentlegal.osu.edu.

WARNING SIGNS
- The individual is eager to send you money for the apartment/room without seeing it, talking to your roommates or talking to your landlord
- You receive a certified check or money order for more than the amount that you agreed upon with the individual
- You are asked to wire funds or send money orders to the individual
- The individual is not willing to provide basic identifying information
- The individual asks you to handle the sublease without informing your landlord

HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF
- When possible, meet the person face-to-face.
- Don’t wire funds and avoid cashier’s checks. Any mention of money, money orders, cashier’s checks, wire transfers or bank accounts in the first email is very suspicious.
- Check the individual’s references including past landlords or employers. Conduct an online search of the person’s name and email to see if it has been used in past scams.
- Ask the individual for his or her phone number, full name and employer verification. If the individual becomes angry or won’t give you information, it’s probably a scam. Stop communicating with the individual immediately.
- Refuse over-payment.
- Do not share your personal information unless you’ve confirmed the individual’s name and personal information.

For more information about common rental scams, visit the Federal Trade Commission’s Consumer Information page or contact Student Legal Services.
How to Inspect a Property

Before signing a lease, thoroughly inspect the entire property. Below is a checklist to guide your inspection.

**NOTE:** If you see any issues and/or needed upgrades, discuss each item with the landlord. If they agree to your requests, be sure to put each item in writing in the lease. After inspecting the property, if you and your roommates are still interested in renting it, request a sample lease from the landlord. Make an appointment with Student Legal Services where staff will provide you with a lease review.

- **Step 1**
  Turn on all faucets/showerheads to make sure the hot/cold water works. Flush all toilets.

- **Step 2**
  Confirm that there is at minimum one smoke alarm per floor.

- **Step 3**
  Check the thermostat and make sure the heat and air conditioning work properly.

- **Step 4**
  Open windows to check the condition of their hardware and to make sure they aren’t painted shut. Bedroom windows should be large enough to escape through in a fire.

- **Step 5**
  Inspect the walls, floors and carpet for moisture damage or mold.

- **Step 6**
  Make sure all exterior doors have functioning locks.

- **Step 7**
  Make sure there is a sufficient amount of outdoor lighting for your safety.

- **Step 8**
  Check all appliances to make sure they work.

- **Step 9**
  Talk to the current tenants to see if they have had any problems or issues.
COMMONS ON KINNEAR

commonsosu.com | 1150 KINNEAR RD. | COLUMBUS, OH 43212 | 614.486.4222

TOUR TODAY!
BRING THIS AD FOR HALF OFF YOUR SERVICE FEE WHEN YOU LEASE BY 12/31/16!

LIVE IT LOVE IT!

1 BEDROOM/1 BATHROOM • 400 SQ. FT.
2 BEDROOM/2 BATHROOM • 734 SQ. FT.
3 BEDROOM/3 BATHROOM • 968 SQ. FT.
4 BEDROOM/2 BATHROOM • 1100 SQ. FT.

COMFORTS OF HOME

• FULLY FURNISHED
• INDIVIDUAL LEASING
• ALL-INCLUSIVE RENT
• WASHER/DRYER IN EACH UNIT
• PRIVATE BEDROOM/BATHROOM
• COMMUNITY-WIDE WIFI
• 42” FLAT SCREEN TV IN EACH UNIT
• SPARKLING POOL & HOT TUB
• 24-HOUR FITNESS CENTER
• ROOFTOP BASKETBALL COURT
• COMPUTER LAB & STUDY CENTER
• CLUBHOUSE W/POOL TABLE & FLAT SCREEN TVs
NORTHSTEPPE.COM
614-299-4110
1946 N. HIGH STREET | COLUMBUS, OHIO 43201

LARGEST SELECTION OF APARTMENTS, DUPLEXES AND SINGLE FAMILY HOUSES LOCATED OUTSIDE OF OSU CAMPUS

NORTHSTEPPE.COM
614-297-0496
North Campus Rentals in University District
“Experience our family’s difference in Olde North Columbus.”

• Private Entrances
• Large Kitchens
• Central Air
• Unique Floor Plans
• Hardwood Floors
• Off-Street Parking
• High Speed Internet

Eventide Inc.
North High Street
Between Northwood and Patterson
Office: 614-297-0496
Cell: 614-402-3555
Fax: 614-297-0519
Email: Eventide@OSURent.com
www.OSURent.com

Large Selection of Units Available
• Studios
• One Bedrooms
• Two Bedrooms
• Three Bedrooms
• Four Bedrooms
• Five + Bedrooms

North High Street ~ Northwood Avenue ~ Norwich Avenue
Oakland Avenue ~ King Avenue
What to Expect When Signing a Lease

Although not all landlords have the same policies, typically renting requirements in the Columbus area are somewhat consistent.

- Everyone on the lease may be asked to fill out an application which is usually associated with a $30–$75 fee per person. The landlord may also check your credit report at this time.
- Most campus-area landlords require a tenant under the age of 23 to have a co-signer, often a parent/guardian.
- Student Legal Services offers free lease reviews to students. This provides a great opportunity to learn everything about your lease. It is imperative that you understand a lease is negotiable, yet a legally binding contract.

How to Protect Your Security Deposit

- Make sure all tenants and co-signers sign the lease and submit it at one time.
- Once all documents have been signed, make sure each roommate keeps a copy. Save your own copy, do not depend on a roommate to retain these important documents for you.
- If you want to have a pet, make sure your landlord allows it and that you have their written permission. Most landlords charge a nonrefundable deposit for pets, so ask for a copy of your landlord’s pet policy and follow the rules.

- Make sure all tenants and co-signers sign the lease and submit it at one time.
- Once all documents have been signed, make sure each roommate keeps a copy. Save your own copy, do not depend on a roommate to retain these important documents for you.
- If you want to have a pet, make sure your landlord allows it and that you have their written permission. Most landlords charge a nonrefundable deposit for pets, so ask for a copy of your landlord’s pet policy and follow the rules.

Security Deposit (n.)

A required, yet refundable, payment to a landlord in order to ensure that the rental property is not damaged and that all rent is paid during the lease term. A security deposit is typically equivalent to one month’s rent.

Lease (n.)

A legally binding contract by which one party (typically a landlord) provides property to another (typically a tenant) for a specified term, in return for a periodic payment (usually monthly).
# HOME TEAM PROPERTIES

## COME VISIT US AT OUR NEW OFFICES

**222 E. 11th Avenue, Columbus Ohio**

### 1-5 Persons
- **61-63 E Woodruff 4-5**
- **73-75 Chittenden 4-5**
- **60-62 Eudox 4 5**
- **56 W Norw ich 5**
- **67 E 11th 5**
- **71 E 6th 1**
- **77-79 E 7th 1-5**
- **236 E 11th 1**
- **414-416 E Whittier 4**
- **181 Say 1**
- **153 Northwood 4**
- **146-148 Chittenden 2-4**
- **1369-1373 Summit 3**
- **158 Woodrow 1**
- **80-82 Eudox 4-5**
- **339 Chittenden 4-5**
- **2251-2253 N Lane/Lane 4-5**
- **331-332 11th Street 4-5**
- **122 W Northwood 5**
- **333-335 E12th St 3-5**
- **120-121 Summit St 3-5**
- **222 E11th 2-5**
- **202 E Lane 1-5**
- **78-80 Whittier 4-5**
- **103-105 Whittier 4**
- **108 Whittier 4**
- **167 E Northwood 4**
- **84 E11h/High 3-4**
- **166 E Northwood Ave 3-4**
- **180-182 West 3-4**
- **1712 Summit 3-4**
- **45-45.5 Eudox 3**
- **130-1/2 Indiana 3**
- **192 E12th 2-4**
- **320 E17th 2-4**
- **331 E18th 2-4**
- **316 E12th 2-4**
- **145-150 Hurler 2-4**
- **140-142 E 11th St 2-3**
- **128-130 Indiana 6-7**
- **78 EWood 7**
- **188 ENorthwood 7**
- **193 Frambes 7**
- **1920 Summit/19th St 7**
- **73 Chittenden 6**
- **99 E Woodrow 6**
- **225 E 11th 6**
- **237 E 11th 6**
- **52 E Woodrow 6**
- **28 E11th Ave 6-7**
- **284 E13th 6-7**
- **286-288 E16th 6-7**
- **289 E14th 6-7**
- **328 E17th 6-7**
- **1664 Summit St/17th St**
- **1666 N4th/13th St 6-7**
- **314 Indiana/Lane 6-7**
- **2215-2217 N Lane/Lane 6-7**
- **299-301 E 17th 5-7**
- **149-151 Chittenden 4-7**
- **79 EWood 6**
- **103-105 Woodrow 6**
- **308 E14th 6**
- **134 Indiana 6**
- **21 EWoodrow/High 5-6**
- **66 Whittier 5-6**
- **90-94 Frambes 5-6**
- **106-111 Woodrow 5-6**
- **113-115 Woodrow 5-6**
- **118 Whittier 5-6**
- **194 E12th 5-6**
- **102-104 E 11th 5-6**
- **161 Indiana 5-6**
- **284-288 E 15th 6-7**
- **291 E14th 4-6**
- **1633-1635 Summit St 4-6**
- **140-142 E 11th 6**
- **1668 N4th/13th St 6-7**
- **1656 Summit St/6th St 6-7**
- **286-288 E16th 6-7**
- **291 E14th 4-6**
- **1633-1635 Summit St 4-6**

### 6-7 Persons
- **188 E11th 6**
- **237 E 11th 6**
- **52 E Woodrow 6**
- **28 E11th Ave 6-7**
- **284 E13th 6-7**
- **286-288 E16th 6-7**
- **289 E14th 6-7**
- **328 E17th 6-7**
- **1664 Summit St/17th St**
- **1666 N4th/13th St 6-7**
- **314 Indiana/Lane 6-7**
- **2215-2217 N Lane/Lane 6-7**
- **299-301 E 17th 5-7**
- **149-151 Chittenden 4-7**
- **79 EWood 6**
- **103-105 Woodrow 6**
- **308 E14th 6**
- **134 Indiana 6**
- **21 EWoodrow/High 5-6**
- **66 Whittier 5-6**
- **90-94 Frambes 5-6**
- **106-111 Woodrow 5-6**
- **113-115 Woodrow 5-6**
- **118 Whittier 5-6**
- **194 E12th 5-6**
- **102-104 E 11th 5-6**
- **161 Indiana 5-6**
- **284-288 E 15th 6-7**
- **291 E14th 4-6**
- **1633-1635 Summit St 4-6**

### 8-9 Persons
- **222 E16th 9**
- **230 Frambes 9**
- **465 E 15th 9**
- **199 E14th 8-9**
- **178 E14th 8-9**
- **278 E15th 8-9**
- **88 Whittier 8**
- **185 E14th 8**
- **187 E12th 8**
- **242 E16th 8**
- **424 E15th 8**
- **1888 Summit/17th 8**
- **52 EWoodrow/Tuller 7-8**
- **86-88 Chittenden 7**
- **130 Whittier 7-8**

### 10+ Persons
- **240 E15th 10-12**
- **56 E 17th 10-12**
- **96 E 15th 10-12**
- **126 E16th 10-12**
- **156 E16th 10-12**
- **1846 Summit/16th 10-13**
- **1936 Indiana/17th 10-12**
- **1952 E15th 10-12**
- **1952 E16th 11-12**
- **1978 E12th 11-12**
- **52 E 17th 11-12**
- **71 E12th/15-11**
- **1195 Whittier/18th 10-11**
- **135 E14th 9-11**
- **52 EWoodrow 8-10**
- **119 E13th 9-10**
- **246 E17th 9-10**
- **1857 Indiana/17th 9-10**
- **80-82 Eudox 8-10**
- **115 E12th Indiana 8-10**
Know Your Home: Columbus

Columbus was voted the best city to leave your mark! As an Ohio State student, go out and discover Columbus, make it your home and take advantage of living in the heart of such a vibrant city. High Street runs North and South alongside campus and can be used as a reference point as you explore the unique neighborhoods featured on the next pages.

“\nThe Ohio State University is lucky enough to be situated within beautiful Columbus, Ohio. Not only am I part of the Buckeye family, but I am also a part of the greater Columbus community. I recommend checking out delicious restaurants, seeing independent movies at the many film centers, grabbing a drink at coffee shops, and riding your bike through scenic bike trails. Take advantage of all of the opportunities the city has to offer during your time at Ohio State

Blake W.
Program Manager

SHOW YOUR BUCKEYE PRIDE!
No matter where you live, commit to being a good, responsible tenant, neighbor, citizen and roommate.

FINDING OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

The Ohio State University
Did you know the University District is made up of thirteen neighborhoods? They’re perfect if you are looking to be within walking distance of the University.

DENNISON PLACE
**FUN FACT:** Sometimes called “The Circles,” Dennison Place is known for the unique circular islands at some of its intersections with graceful, exuberant, fanciful, and substantial Victorian architecture found throughout mature tree-lined streets.

GLEN ECHO
**FUN FACT:** Original rock streetlights still illuminate the central parkway islands on Glen Echo’s Glenmawr Avenue.

INDIANOLA FOREST
**FUN FACT:** The neighborhood was home to noted University President William Oxley Thompson, who heavily influenced the neighborhood by delivering sermons and exhortations to the nearby students on a specially built stone platform on the side of Indianola Presbyterian Church.

INDIANOLA TERRACE
**FUN FACT:** Indianola Terrace was home to the Indianola Junior High School, the first junior high school in the United States.

IUKA RAVINE
**FUN FACT:** Iuka Avenue was the first street in Columbus to break the traditional grid pattern!

INDIANOLA FOREST
**FUN FACT:** The neighborhood was home to noted University President William Oxley Thompson, who heavily influenced the neighborhood by delivering sermons and exhortations to the nearby students on a specially built stone platform on the side of Indianola Presbyterian Church.

NECKO
**FUN FACT:** Over one hundred original homes and its brick streets remain intact, serving as a locally recognized example of an early 20th century residential neighborhood.

NORTHWOOD PARK
**FUN FACT:** Northwood Park, which used to be regularly referred to as some of the most beautiful in Columbus, has been listed on Columbus' Register for Historic Places to ensure the preservation of the neighborhood’s architectural character.

OLD NORTH COLUMBUS
**FUN FACT:** Old North Columbus is becoming a stronghold for Columbus’ independent music scene with several venues hosting local performers.

PEACH DISTRICT
**FUN FACT:** Residents organize a biannual festival called The Peach Classic. Featuring local bands, food, and art, it brings residents together and showcasing the neighborhood’s offerings and talents to the rest of Columbus.

SOHUD
**FUN FACT:** SOHUD, or South of Hudson, is home to the April Fools Parade and Festival of Hilaria which allows anyone to let loose, be goofy, and have fun with their neighbors!

TUTTLE PARK
**FUN FACT:** The “Tuttle” name is a tribute to the beloved newspaper sports writer, Clyde Tuttle, for whom the Columbus city park is named and is the largest open space managed by the City of Columbus Parks & Recreation Department in the University District.

WEINLAND PARK
**FUN FACT:** Weinland Park takes its name from its primary open space, named after a popular reformer in the 1920s, City Councilman Edgar Weinland.

“The University District is so much more than a place for college students to live—it is a community built up of college students and permanent residents that creates a unique and extraordinary culture. The University District is a place for all members of the community to live and I am proud to call it my home.”

Nick K., Off-Campus Resident
Neighborhoods of Columbus

**UNIVERSITY DISTRICT**
- **Square Miles:** 2.83
- **Population:** 43,996
- **Avg. Male Age:** 23.8
- **Avg. Female Age:** 23.1
- **Minutes to Campus:** Walking Distance

Located south of Ohio State’s Columbus campus, the University District is comprised of multiple distinct neighborhoods directly surrounding the university. Undergraduate, graduate and professional students and permanent residents live in this community. The University District contains apartment buildings, houses, townhomes and row houses. While the neighborhood is primarily residential, it is also home to popular restaurants and businesses.

Visit universitydistrict.org to discover more.

**SHORT NORTH**
- **Square Miles:** 0.194
- **Population:** 1,629
- **Avg. Male Age:** 34.8
- **Avg. Female Age:** 29
- **Minutes to Campus:** 6

The Short North, located south of Ohio State’s Columbus campus, is an eclectic hub of art, dining, nightlife and fashion as well as boutiques and apartments. The Short North is also home to the North Market, featuring dozens of independent merchants and farmers. Whether you are heading out to explore Columbus in a large group, with family and friends or by yourself, the Short North has something for everyone.

Visit shortnorth.org to discover more.

**GERMAN VILLAGE**
- **Square Miles:** 0.284
- **Population:** 3,635
- **Avg. Male Age:** 38.5
- **Avg. Female Age:** 40.9
- **Minutes to Campus:** 12

German Village is a historic neighborhood located next to the brewery district. It is a short drive south of the Ohio State’s Columbus campus. German Village is home to many recent graduates and is an area with many historic restaurants, shops and nightlife venues.

**CLINTONVILLE GRANDVIEW**
- **Square Miles:** 0.264
- **Population:** 33,112
- **Avg. Male Age:** 39
- **Avg. Female Age:** 40.9
- **Minutes to Campus:** 7

Located just north of Ohio State’s Columbus campus, Clintonville is home to many recent graduates and long-term residents. Whistlestop Park, a Columbus landmark, is located in Clintonville just west of High Street and features a number of bike trails, tennis courts and baseball fields, as well as the Park of Roses. During the summer, there are a number of events held here, including the Rose Festival and a variety of concerts.

Visit www.grandviewyard.com to discover more.

**ARENA DISTRICT**
- **Square Miles:** 0.264
- **Population:** 767
- **Avg. Male Age:** 34.2
- **Avg. Female Age:** 31.2
- **Minutes to Campus:** 7

Located downtown, southwest of Ohio State’s Columbus campus, the Arena District is a fairly new urban area which is easily accessible by COTA. The Arena District is a trendy area, with newer apartment buildings located close to restaurants, shops and nightlife. Attractions that you can find in the arena district include multiple concert venues, parks, a baseball field and a movie theater.

Visit arenadistrict.com to discover more.

**ITALIAN VILLAGE**
- **Square Miles:** 0.446
- **Population:** 3,565
- **Avg. Male Age:** 32.1
- **Avg. Female Age:** 28
- **Minutes to Campus:** 4

Italian Village is located southeast of Ohio State’s Columbus campus. It is a designated historic district known for its historically and culturally preservation. The building types and architecture reflect Italian influence. With its parks and preserved historic homes, it is a popular home area for graduate students.

**VICTORIAN VILLAGE**
- **Square Miles:** 0.497
- **Population:** 6,374
- **Avg. Male Age:** 31.7
- **Avg. Female Age:** 28.9
- **Minutes to Campus:** 6

Located south of Ohio State’s Columbus campus, parts of Victorian Village are within walking distance to campus. It is comprised of older, large Victorian-style homes, along with apartment buildings and townhouses. There are a large population of Ohio State graduate students and young professionals in this community.
UPSCALE FURNISHED EFFICIENCIES
★ SELECT UNITS

★ Custom Cabinetry with Quartz Countertops
★ Ceramic Tile Flooring & New Carpet
★ Central Air & Ceiling Fans
★ All New Appliances & Fixtures

STANDARD ROOM
VARIETY OF SIZES AVAILABLE

ALL ROOMS INCLUDE
• All Utilities Included
• FREE Wireless Internet & Cable
• On-Site Prompt Maintenance
• Clean & Modern Common Kitchens
• Covered & Gated Parking Available
• On-Site Laundry & Fitness Facilities

2060 N. High St. | 614-294-5381 | rent@ohio-stater.com | ohio-stater.com
©2014 Smart Dollar Advertising, Inc.
LIVING OFF-CAMPUS

Preparing to Move: What’s Next?

Moving into an apartment/house can be a very exciting time, as you’ll have a new place to live and a new sense of freedom, as well as a different set of responsibilities. Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services is here to help prepare you for your move.

Preparing to Move:

01 SCHEDULE A DATE TO PICK UP YOUR KEYS
This is a great opportunity to ask your landlord to do a walkthrough before you move your furniture into the unit.

02 SET UP UTILITIES (gas, electric, water/sewage, internet, etc.)
Generally, it will be the tenant’s responsibility to make arrangements for utility connections. It’s best to contact companies at least two weeks before move in. You may need the following to set up your utility account:
- Rental address
- Deposit fee
- Proof of identity (license, student ID, etc.)
- Either your Social Security Number or a passport

03 RESERVE A MOVING TRUCK
Reserve a moving truck well in advance, so you’re ready to go on move-in day. Check out the moving checklist at offcampus.osu.edu for a list of supplies to bring with you for your big day!

04 BUY RENTERS INSURANCE
Renters insurance, a must-have, is very inexpensive and offers benefits to students. Make certain your policy takes effect the day you get your keys and move-in.

05 BUY PARKING PERMIT(S)
- Campus Parking Permit
  If you plan on parking on campus) through CampusParc (see page 74)
- Off-Street Parking Permit
- City Parking Permit (see page 14)

06 DO A FIRE SAFETY CHECK
Ask your landlord to provide the following if they are not already present in the unit:
- A fire extinguisher for each floor of the rental unit
- Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors for each floor and each bedroom. A combined 2-in-1 device is commonly available and is less expensive

Also be sure to schedule a FREE home-visit through the Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program for fire safety tips! To find out more see pages 55–57.

KEEP YOUR LOCAL ADDRESS UPDATED at buckeylink.osu.edu and with the post office at usps.gov.

PLAN AHEAD if you don’t want to end up with three tables and one chair. Clearly arrange which roommates are bringing which furniture on move-in day.

KEEP YOUR LOCAL ADDRESS UPDATED at buckeylink.osu.edu and with the post office at usps.gov.

SET UP UTILITIES (gas, electric, water/sewage, internet, etc.)

Generally, it will be the tenant’s responsibility to make arrangements for utility connections. It’s best to contact companies at least two weeks before move in. You may need the following to set up your utility account:

- Rental address
- Deposit fee
- Proof of identity (license, student ID, etc.)
- Either your Social Security Number or a passport

KEEP YOUR LOCAL ADDRESS UPDATED at buckeylink.osu.edu and with the post office at usps.gov.

RESERVE A MOVING TRUCK
Reserve a moving truck well in advance, so you’re ready to go on move-in day. Check out the moving checklist at offcampus.osu.edu for a list of supplies to bring with you for your big day!
Join our team!
LEARN TRANSFERABLE SKILLS TO CARRY INTO YOUR FUTURE CAREER.

- Schedules that accommodate classes and activities
- Life skills training
- Competitive wages
- Leadership opportunities
- Outlet for campus engagement and involvement

Learn more at: go.osu.edu/diningjobs

THE KING LUXURY LIVING NEAR HIGH

TALK NO FURTHER
The King is the place to live!
2016-2017 Leasing Specials

2 and 4 bedrooms
50 available units

The King will feature 2 and 4 bedroom units which are fully furnished modern luxury apartments including:

- Custom interior finishes
- High-speed internet/cable
- Washer/dryer
- Full XL beds
- Ceiling fans
- Central air/heat
- Dishwasher/microwave
- 24/7 Maintenance
- Quartz countertops
- Marble floors
- and shower surrounds

The King Luxury Apartments are located between Hunter and Highland, off King Avenue. Just minutes away from any central Columbus area in any direction (OSU, Short North, Granville, etc.)

APPLY NOW!
614-291-2600

Managed by HomeTeam Properties LLC
Contact via email at info@hometeamproperties.net

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
OFFICE of STUDENT LIFE
DINING SERVICES
**PAYING RENT**

Paying your rent, and paying it on time, is important. Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services suggests never paying rent in cash; always have a paper trail. Paying rent to your landlord and/or to your roommate(s) via check, rather than cash, is ideal because it provides you with proof of payment. If you and your roommate(s) are required to submit only one check for rent, rather than individually, be sure to get everyone’s share early in order to pay the landlord on time. If you do not pay your rent, the landlord may take legal action against you. Even if you are having problems with your landlord (for instance, he/she is not making repairs that you requested), you still need to stay up-to-date on your payments. If you stop paying rent, you may not be able to deposit your rent in escrow or terminate the lease early if the landlord is not fulfilling his/her obligations under the lease.

**REPAIRS**

Your landlord is responsible for making repairs and keeping the unit in a habitable condition. You may contact the landlord in any manner to request the repair(s) be made. However, you must always follow up the request in writing immediately. This is crucial! Once notified in writing, the landlord must make repairs in a reasonable amount of time, typically within 30 days, unless it’s an emergency situation. For assistance with your notice to repair letter, visit studentlegal.osu.edu/offcampus.

**HOUSING CODE VIOLATIONS**

If you feel your apartment/house does not meet housing code requirements, and you are unable to resolve issues directly with your landlord, you may need to request a Code Enforcement Supervisor to visit your property for an inspection. (If you are living in the University District or Victorian Village, contact John Hughes at 614-645-3296 or jphughes@columbus.gov.)

**BED BUGS**

Bed bugs are real and can be a major problem. If you suspect that you have bed bugs or that your neighbor has bed bugs, contact your landlord immediately (and follow up in writing—documentation is key). Professional extermination is the only way to effectively eliminate a bed bug infestation.

→ **IF YOU HAVE BED BUGS, do not use a bug bomb, boric acid or pesticides.**

**THE BEST WAY TO FURNISH YOUR OFF-CAMPUS APARTMENT.**

**THE NECESSITIES PACKAGE – Eat, Relax and Sleep.**
Includes: Living Room, Dining Room and Bedroom

**THE ACADEMIC PACKAGE – Focus on Your Studies.**
Includes: Living Room, Study and Bedroom

$119/month*

$64/month*

**COMPLETE HOUSEWARES PACKAGE – Everything you need to complete your home.**
Includes: Kitchen, Bedroom, and Bathroom Essentials

Add a linen package for just $27/month*

|$119/month*|$64/month*|
|**$64/month***| **Complete Housewares Package** – Everything you need to complete your home.
Includes: Kitchen, Bedroom, and Bathroom Essentials
|Add a linen package for just $27/month*|
Your Rights and Responsibilities

Landlord-tenant law

Did you know there is a law in Ohio that regulates the relationship between landlords and tenants? This is known as Ohio Landlord-Tenant Law, and it sets forth the rights and responsibilities for both landlords and tenants. In addition, the City of Columbus has implemented several city ordinances. The following information will help you understand the law and city ordinances, so that you may have a successful experience in your off-campus community.

Note: The following information refers only to Ohio law and does not constitute legal advice. If you need legal advice, contact Student Legal Services.

Landlord and Tenant Obligations

Both landlords and tenants have certain statutory obligations, regardless of anything set forth in the lease. If you have any questions regarding this information, set up an appointment to speak with Student Legal Services: studentlegal.osu.edu.

Landlord Obligations under Ohio Landlord-Tenant Law

- Comply with all applicable building, housing, health and safety codes
- Keep the property in a fit and habitable condition
- Keep all common areas safe and sanitary
- Maintain all appliances and equipment
- Provide 24-hour notice prior to entering the unit (unless there is an emergency)

Tenant Obligations under Ohio Landlord-Tenant Law

- Keep the property safe and sanitary
- Dispose of all garbage in a clean, safe and sanitary manner
- Properly use electrical/plumbing fixtures
- Comply with housing, health and safety codes that apply to tenants
- Refrain from damaging the property
- Keep appliances supplied by the landlord in good working order
- Do not disturb your neighbor’s peaceful enjoyment
- Allow the landlord to enter the premises if the request is reasonable and proper advance notice is given.

Riotous Behavior

1. Participation in a disturbance with the purpose to commit or incite any action that presents a clear and present danger to others, causes physical harm to others or damages property.

2. Prescribed behavior in the context of a riot includes,

   - Knowingly engaging in conduct designed to incite another to engage in riotous behavior
   - Actual or threatened damage to or destruction of university property or property of others, whether done intentionally or with reckless disregard
   - Failing to comply with a directive to disperse by university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel
   - Impeding, hindering or obstructing a university official, law enforcement or emergency personnel in the performance of their duties

3. This rule shall not be interpreted as proscribing peaceful demonstrations, peaceful picketing, a call for a peaceful boycott or other forms of peaceful dissent.

Code of Student Conduct

It is a violation of The Ohio State University Code of Student Conduct to participate in off-campus behavior that causes substantial property damage or serious harm to the health or safety of members of the university community. Some examples are hosting an out-of-control party, setting fires, setting off fireworks, standing on or rocking cars, throwing glass bottles or other dangerous items and rating. To view the full Code of Student Conduct, visit studentlife.osu.edu/csc

The Code of Student Conduct outlines many different behaviors, including, but not limited to:

Dangerous Weapons or Devices

Use, storage or possession of dangerous weapons or devices including, but not limited to, firearms, ammunition or fireworks, unless authorized by an appropriate university official or permitted by a university policy, even if otherwise permitted by law.

Failure to Comply with University or City Authority

Failure to comply with legitimate directives of authorized university officials, law enforcement or emergency personnel, identified as such, in the performance of their duties, including failure to identify oneself when so requested is a violation of the terms of a disciplinary sanction.

Noise Ordinance

The Columbus City Code prohibits any unreasonable loud noise that disturbs the quiet and comfort of a person with ordinary sensibilities. This code has restrictions on the level of noise and the distance from which the noise is coming. It cannot be so intense that it is offensive or disturbing. Violations of the City Noise Ordinance can result in criminal charges. Be respectful: do not play loud music late at night and disturb your neighbors.

It is considered rioting when five or more persons engage in disorderly conduct. Failure to obey orders to disperse from law enforcement or university authorities is a Code of Student Conduct violation. Bystanders and “cheerleaders” at disturbances may be subject to university discipline. In addition to any civil or criminal charges you might face for these behaviors, you will also be subject to university judicial action and could be suspended or dismissed from The Ohio State University.
OFF-CAMPUS HOME VISITS

Student Life has partnered with the Columbus Division of Fire to assess the safety, security and sustainability of off-campus housing in the university area through FREE in-home visits.

During each home visit, Student Life and Columbus Division of Fire representatives will answer questions and assess individual rental units and properties based on criteria, which was created in collaboration with students, parents, property owners and city and university officials.

By focusing on safety, security and sustainability, Student Life aims to enhance the quality and amount of information available to students moving off campus. Information about past home visits is available through the housing search on offcampus.osu.edu.

Any Ohio State student renting in the University District can request a home visit at anytime throughout the entire calendar year. To schedule your home visit, go to go.osu.edu/ochep and select the best time and date that works for you.

The Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program

The Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program is an innovative and comprehensive Student Life initiative designed to improve the quality of off-campus life, enhance the University District and create an extraordinary off-campus experience for students.

Sterling Place Apartments

10 minutes from OSU
Seconds away from I-270 & SR-315
Shopping & Dining within walking distance.

Short Term Lease Options Available
Newly Upgraded Interiors
Pets Welcome up to 75lbs
Spacious Patio/Balconies
Pristine Pool with Sundeck
24/7 Fitness Center
Wifi-Lounge
Tanning Bed

MENTION THIS AD AND RECEIVE A FREE APPLICATION FEE!

5399 Coachman Road, Columbus, OH 43220
Phone: 614-442-7744
www.coresterlingplace.com
ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT SAFETY, SECURITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY OFF-CAMPUS?

Ohio State students can request a FREE home visit through Student Life’s Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program.

Representatives from Student Life and the Columbus Fire Department will meet you at your home to assess the safety, security and environmental sustainability of your off-campus rental property and answer your questions.

To learn more about the Off-Campus Housing Excellence Program and how the program is improving the quality of off-campus life, visit go.osu.edu/ochep
Recycling 101

Recyclables and yard waste are collected every other week on the same day. To be eligible for recycling services, you must be a resident of the City of Columbus and you must currently have a 90–300 gallon trash container collected by the city as well as adequate room to store the 64 gallon recycling cart. Call 614-645-3111 or visit 311.columbus.gov/colorday to see if you are eligible.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS TO BE RECYCLED

- Aluminum and steel cans/lids
- Flatten cardboard and pizza boxes free of food and grease
- Plastic bottles and jugs
- Glass bottles and jars
- Cartons and juice boxes
- Cereal and other dry food boxes
- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Catalogs
- Junk Mail
- Computer paper
- Phone books
- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Catalogs
- Junk Mail
- Computer paper
- Phone books

RECYCLING DROP-OFF LOCATIONS NEAR CJ

- Kroger
  1350 N. High Street
- Godman Guild
  303 E. 6th Avenue
- Newman Center
  64 W. Lane Avenue
- Tuttle Recreation
  240 W. Oakland Avenue

Trash Talk

Trash is collected once a week and is managed by the City of Columbus Department of Public Service, Division of Refuse Collection. Visit publicservice.columbus.gov/refuse to look up your designated trash-collection day or call 311 if you do not know your designated collection point. Trash must be bagged and tied before it is placed in the trash bin. Any trash outside the bin will not be collected.

DO NOT ABANDON THESE ITEMS IN ALLEYWAYS

The following is a list of unacceptable items to be thrown away in your trash bins. Wondering what to do with all those hazardous materials? Ohio State’s Environmental Health and Safety Department offers free pickup to properly dispose of the following materials:

- Yard waste
- Hazardous, flammable or explosive materials
- Propane
- Gasoline
- Paint
- Bleach
- Batteries
- Rat Poison
- Auto parts and tires
- Excavating and building materials
- Refrigerators and freezers
- Furnaces, heat pumps, air conditioners and dehumidifiers
- Pianos
- Spas
- Hot tubs
- Pool tables
- Furniture

TRYING TO THROW AWAY AN ITEM THAT DOESN’T FIT IN YOUR TRASH BIN?

Schedule a bulk item collection pick-up on the My Columbus App or call the City’s 311 Center. Bulk items, such as furniture, lamps, carpet and mattresses, are not collected unless the resident schedules a pick-up collection. Watch "Trash Talk in the University District" on YouTube for more information.

TO DONATE OLD FURNITURE, APPLIANCES, CLOTHING or other items in good condition, visit footprint.osu.edu/student-recycling/ to take part in Ohio State’s Dump and Run or call Franklin County’s FirstLink at 614-221-2255 to receive a list of organizations that accept donations.
**UNIVERSITY MANORS AD**

**Quality Campus Living**

- Flats
- Townhouses
- Duplexes
- Houses

**WHY UNIVERSITY MANORS?**

- Most Units Include
  - Free Off Street Parking
  - Some or All Utilities Included
  - Updated Kitchens and Baths
  - In Unit/Access to Laundry
  - Prompt Maintenance Service
  - Friendly Office Staff

**E-MAIL OR STOP BY FOR MORE INFORMATION**

[info@universitymanors.com](mailto:info@universitymanors.com)  
72 E. 14TH AVENUE

---

**STUDIOS - 10 BEDROOM HOMES**

**IN GREAT LOCATIONS**

**STUDIOS**

- 1629-1630 Indianola
- 90 E. 12th
- 42 E. 13th
- 115 E. 13th
- 120 E. 13th
- 49 E. 14th
- 80 E. 14th
- 1607 N. 4th
- 1619 N. 4th
- 1537 Summit

**1 BEDROOMS**

- 23 1/2 E. 10th
- 31 Chittenden
- 104 E. 12th
- 162 E. 12th
- 1501-1503 N. 4th
- 1601 N. 4th
- 1777 Summit

**2 BEDROOMS**

- 173 M. 9th
- 33-25 W. 10th
- 66 E. 11th
- 1620-1620 INDIANOLA
- 1604 E. 12th
- 162-164 E. 12th
- 252 E. 12th
- 1608 Summit
- 1602 Summit
- 1777 Summit
- 310 E. 10th
- 253 E. 10th
- 315 E. 10th

**3 BEDROOMS**

- 100-104 McKellen
- 25-25 W. 10th
- 31 B W. 10th
- 66 Chittenden
- 47 1/2 E. 12th
- 104 E. 12th
- 162-164 E. 12th
- 242 E. 12th
- 262 E. 12th
- 283 E. 12th
- 250 E. 12th
- 253 E. 19th
- 1601 1/2 N. 4th
- 2111 Tuller

**4 BEDROOMS**

- 1937 Summit
- 60 E. Norwich
- 2135 HKA

**5 BEDROOMS**

- 100-104 McKellen
- 25-25 W. 10th
- 31 B W. 10th
- 66 Chittenden
- 47 1/2 E. 12th
- 104 E. 12th
- 162-164 E. 12th
- 242 E. 12th
- 262 E. 12th
- 283 E. 12th
- 250 E. 12th
- 253 E. 19th
- 1601 1/2 N. 4th

**6 BEDROOMS**

- 1937 Summit
- 60 E. Norwich
- 2135 HKA

**7 BEDROOMS**

- 100-104 McKellen
- 25-25 W. 10th
- 31 B W. 10th
- 66 Chittenden
- 47 1/2 E. 12th
- 104 E. 12th
- 162-164 E. 12th
- 242 E. 12th
- 262 E. 12th
- 283 E. 12th
- 250 E. 12th
- 253 E. 19th
- 1601 1/2 N. 4th

**8 BEDROOMS**

- 1937 Summit
- 60 E. Norwich
- 2135 HKA

**9 BEDROOMS**

- 100-104 McKellen
- 25-25 W. 10th
- 31 B W. 10th
- 66 Chittenden
- 47 1/2 E. 12th
- 104 E. 12th
- 162-164 E. 12th
- 242 E. 12th
- 262 E. 12th
- 283 E. 12th
- 250 E. 12th
- 253 E. 19th
- 1601 1/2 N. 4th

**10 BEDROOMS**

- 1937 Summit
- 60 E. Norwich
- 2135 HKA

**FREE OFF STREET PARKING**

- Some or All Utilities Included
- Updated Kitchens and Baths
- In Unit/Access to Laundry
- Prompt Maintenance Service
- Friendly Office Staff

**GO ONLINE OR CALL TO SCHEDULE A TOUR TODAY!**

[www.UniversityManors.com](http://www.UniversityManors.com)  
(614) 291-5001
Personal Safety

Although there are many resources and services available to help support your safety, it is up to you to take necessary precautions to stay safe. When a crime presents a threat to the safety of the campus community, University Police issue a Public Safety Notice. Register to receive these notices at go.osu.edu/safetynotice.

Keep your phone number up to date for the Buckeye Alert system buckeyealert.osu.edu/! Ohio State students are automatically enrolled in this free service that informs individuals of an ongoing emergency.

Register to receive these notices at go.osu.edu/safetynotice. Keep your phone number up to date for the Buckeye Alert system buckeyealert.osu.edu/!

¬ Walk in well-lit areas
¬ Wear light colored clothing at night
¬ Avoid alleys
¬ Don’t leave headphones or earbuds in your car
¬ Never leave valuables in your car
¬ Never give out your personal or financial information to strangers

COMMUNITY CRIME PATROL

Community Crime Patrol (CCP) is a group of highly trained citizen patrolers working to increase safety in Columbus neighborhoods. Equipped with flashlights, two-way radios and their training, CCP patrolers deter criminals, build neighborhood crime prevention awareness, assist in the apprehension of suspects and provide first aid when needed. For more information, visit communitycrimepatrol.org.

RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE

Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) is a free self-defense class offered to women by the Ohio State University Police. For more information, visit dps.osu.edu/police/rd.

SEXUAL CIVILITY AND EMPOWERMENT TEAM

Student Life’s Sexual Civility and Empowerment Team addresses situations of sexual violence, including sexual assault, stalking, intimate partner violence and sexual harassment. They offer prevention and education resources and programs throughout the Student Wellness Center and support services through the Student Advocacy Center. A Sexual Violence Assistance Fund is also available for survivors of sexual violence. For more information, visit sse.osu.edu.

LEAVING FOR BREAK?

¬ Keep your heat at 65ºF or above to prevent your pipes from freezing and bursting
¬ Contact the post office to hold forward your mail, holdmail.usps.com
¬ Lock your doors and windows and pick up free alarms in the Ohio Union Suite 3106
¬ Take/secure your valuables, including your TV
¬ Use safety timers to give the illusion of activity in your home. Stop by Ohio Union to give the illusion of activity in your home. Stop by Ohio Union Suite 3106 for free safety timers
¬ Disconnect electrical extensions, even toasters
¬ Ask a neighbor or friend to keep an eye on your home

BUCKEYE BLOCK WATCH

Buckeye Block Watch unites residents of the University District to create a clean, safe and enjoyable living environment. You are the eyes, ears and voice of the Ohio State community, so if you see something, say something. To find out how to get involved in Buckeye Block Watch, go to offcampus.osu.edu.

Home Safety

Introduce yourself to your neighbors and exchange contact information. Participate in Buckeye Block Watch. By creating a close knit community, you can help inform each other of suspicious activity in your neighborhood. Also, encourage your street to display Buckeye Block Watch placards to signal to criminals that they are being watched.

LEAVING FOR BREAK?

¬ Keep your heat at 65ºF or above to prevent your pipes from freezing and bursting
¬ Contact the post office to hold forward your mail, holdmail.usps.com
¬ Lock your doors and windows and pick up free alarms in the Ohio Union Suite 3106
¬ Take/secure your valuables, including your TV
¬ Use safety timers to give the illusion of activity in your home. Stop by Ohio Union Suite 3106 for free safety timers
¬ Disconnect electrical extensions, even toasters
¬ Ask a neighbor or friend to keep an eye on your home

GENERAL SAFETY TIPS

¬ If you see something, say something—call 911 for emergencies and 614-645-4545 for non-emergencies
¬ Do not open your doors to strangers—if you have scheduled a utility company appointment, ask for an ID or badge before allowing entry
¬ Keep your doors and windows locked at all times, even when you are home
¬ To report issues such as graffiti, vandalism and street light problems, call the 311 Columbus Service Center at 614-645-3111
¬ Don’t post vacation photos on social media while you’re on vacation; wait until you return, so people don’t know when your house is vacant

Prior to moving to Columbus, I had never lived in the heart of a big city. Safety is of utmost importance to me, so I make sure to get tips when I moved off campus. I always make sure to lock all of my doors and windows, keep valuables out of sight in my car and home and picked up free window and door alarms and light timers in the Union! Walking alone at night isn’t the best idea, so I make sure to have a buddy or utilize the Safe Ride Program. The resources and tips the off-campus community provided me made for a safe four years at Ohio State!”

Abbey F.
Off-Campus Resident

OFF-CAMPUS LIVING GUIDE | 2016–2017
62
Fire Safety

Fires in the off-campus area can be caused by electrical issues, careless disposal of trash and impaired judgement. When living off campus, follow the tips below to prevent house fires.

**COMMON FACTORS IN THE NATION’S CAMPUS FIRES**
- Missing or disabled smoke detectors
- Impaired judgment from alcohol consumption
- Careless disposal of smoking materials
- Upholstered furniture fires on decks and porches

**HOUSE FIRE PREVENTION**
- If a fire breaks out, get out and stay out—call 911
- Have at least one working smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your residence, preferably one in each sleeping area
- Test alarms once per month, and change batteries each semester
- Always know two ways out, especially from bedrooms
- Keep items at least three feet from heat sources, including your furnace
- Don’t store gasoline or lighter fluid inside your residence
- Keep a working fire extinguisher near your kitchen and know how to use it
- Make sure your extension cords or power strips are rated for the wattage of your products to be plugged in; do not run them through walls, doorways, ceilings or floors; if a cord is covered, heat cannot escape, which leads to a fire hazard

**DON’T GRILL ON A PORCH or within 20 feet of a building**

**DON’T OVERLOAD ELECTRICAL OUTLETS!**
This was the cause of an Ohio State off-campus house fire in 2015.

**UNATTENDED COOKING** is the LEADING CAUSE of residential fires.

**COMMON FACTORS IN THE NATION’S CAMPUS FIRES**
- Missing or disabled smoke detectors
- Impaired judgment from alcohol consumption
- Careless disposal of smoking materials
- Upholstered furniture fires on decks and porches

**CARELESS SMOKING** and discarding of cigarettes is the leading cause of FIRE DEATHS.

**COMMON FACTORS IN THE NATION’S CAMPUS FIRES**
- Impaired judgment from alcohol consumption
- Careless disposal of smoking materials
- Upholstered furniture fires on decks and porches

**HOUSE FIRE PREVENTION**
- If a fire breaks out, get out and stay out—call 911
- Have at least one working smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your residence, preferably one in each sleeping area
- Test alarms once per month, and change batteries each semester
- Always know two ways out, especially from bedrooms
- Keep items at least three feet from heat sources, including your furnace
- Don’t store gasoline or lighter fluid inside your residence
- Keep a working fire extinguisher near your kitchen and know how to use it
- Make sure your extension cords or power strips are rated for the wattage of your products to be plugged in; do not run them through walls, doorways, ceilings or floors; if a cord is covered, heat cannot escape, which leads to a fire hazard

**DON’T GRILL ON A PORCH or within 20 feet of a building**

**DON’T OVERLOAD ELECTRICAL OUTLETS!**
This was the cause of an Ohio State off-campus house fire in 2015.

**CARELESS SMOKING** and discarding of cigarettes is the leading cause of FIRE DEATHS.

**UNATTENDED COOKING** is the LEADING CAUSE of residential fires.

**COMMON FACTORS IN THE NATION’S CAMPUS FIRES**
- Missing or disabled smoke detectors
- Impaired judgment from alcohol consumption
- Careless disposal of smoking materials
- Upholstered furniture fires on decks and porches

**HOUSE FIRE PREVENTION**
- If a fire breaks out, get out and stay out—call 911
- Have at least one working smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your residence, preferably one in each sleeping area
- Test alarms once per month, and change batteries each semester
- Always know two ways out, especially from bedrooms
- Keep items at least three feet from heat sources, including your furnace
- Don’t store gasoline or lighter fluid inside your residence
- Keep a working fire extinguisher near your kitchen and know how to use it
- Make sure your extension cords or power strips are rated for the wattage of your products to be plugged in; do not run them through walls, doorways, ceilings or floors; if a cord is covered, heat cannot escape, which leads to a fire hazard

**DON’T GRILL ON A PORCH or within 20 feet of a building**

**DON’T OVERLOAD ELECTRICAL OUTLETS!**
This was the cause of an Ohio State off-campus house fire in 2015.

**CARELESS SMOKING** and discarding of cigarettes is the leading cause of FIRE DEATHS.

**UNATTENDED COOKING** is the LEADING CAUSE of residential fires.

**COMMON FACTORS IN THE NATION’S CAMPUS FIRES**
- Missing or disabled smoke detectors
- Impaired judgment from alcohol consumption
- Careless disposal of smoking materials
- Upholstered furniture fires on decks and porches

**HOUSE FIRE PREVENTION**
- If a fire breaks out, get out and stay out—call 911
- Have at least one working smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector on each floor of your residence, preferably one in each sleeping area
- Test alarms once per month, and change batteries each semester
- Always know two ways out, especially from bedrooms
- Keep items at least three feet from heat sources, including your furnace
- Don’t store gasoline or lighter fluid inside your residence
- Keep a working fire extinguisher near your kitchen and know how to use it
- Make sure your extension cords or power strips are rated for the wattage of your products to be plugged in; do not run them through walls, doorways, ceilings or floors; if a cord is covered, heat cannot escape, which leads to a fire hazard

**DON’T GRILL ON A PORCH or within 20 feet of a building**

**DON’T OVERLOAD ELECTRICAL OUTLETS!**
This was the cause of an Ohio State off-campus house fire in 2015.

**CARELESS SMOKING** and discarding of cigarettes is the leading cause of FIRE DEATHS.

**UNATTENDED COOKING** is the LEADING CAUSE of residential fires.
Bike Safety

Bicycle safety is very important. In Ohio, bicyclists are required to follow the same rules of the road as motor vehicles. One-way streets, stop signs, riding on the right side of the road and yielding to pedestrians are some of the requirements for bicyclists.

PREVENT CRIME

- **U-or O-shaped locks work best in deterring bicycle theft.** When parking, lock both rims and the frame to a bike rack for more security. Use only bike racks, not small trees or outside furniture, and keep walkways and stairways unobstructed.
- **When your bike is parked for an extended period,** occasionally move it to show you are keeping a watchful eye.
- **Bug Your Bike!** Bicycle theft can be a problem for students. Use the latest technology to "Bug Your Bike" with a free RFID (radio frequency identification device) as part of the Student Life Risk Assessment efforts to prevent theft. Bugs are available at University Security and Fire Prevention Services, 1010 Blankenship Hall.
- **Register your bike;** this is a free service that takes only a few minutes out of your day. A registered bike that is lost or stolen is more likely to be found or returned. For more information or to register your bike, visit Public Safety in Blankenship Hall.

BE A COMMUNICATIVE BICYCLIST

Let others on the road know your next move by using these hand signals:

- Left turn
- Right turn
- Slow down or stop

"I lived off campus for three years during my time at Ohio State, and I really enjoyed it! I got to live with some of my best friends and take part in the vibrant community of the University District. I hope off-campus students enjoy the experiences that they get to have during these years."

Rachel D.
Off-Campus Resident
LIVING OFF-CAMPUS

Party Smart

As a host of a party, you can be held responsible for the actions of your guests. If you have guests who have been drinking and want to drive home, call them a cab or have them spend the night at your place—do not let them get behind the wheel. There are many ways to be spirited and enjoy a great party without behaving in disrespectful or irresponsible ways. As a responsible member of the Buckeye community, here are some tips on how to be safe and party smart.

BEFORE THE PARTY

- Get a free Party Smart Kit from Student Life’s Student Wellness Center, partysmart.osu.edu.
- Put up orange fencing to control the crowd from leaving your yard and spilling into the street. Do not let anyone consume alcohol outside the fence.
- Talk to your neighbors prior to the party. Exchange phone numbers. Build a friendly relationship. If a friendship has been established, they are more likely to come to you first if any problems arise.

DURING THE PARTY

- Check IDs at the door.
- Have at least one sober host.
- Lock doors to private areas, such as bedrooms, and hide valuables because thefts occur during parties, too.
- Do not leave drinks unattended.
- Provide non-alcoholic drinks for those who do not drink or who are under age 21.
- Keep music/noise at a reasonable level.
- Limit the amount of alcohol available. More alcohol leads to more people and more intoxicated people in one area increases the likelihood of having problems.
- Provide alcohol in cans versus a keg. Make certain one of the hosts stays next to the alcohol (preferably a sober host). Check IDs at the keg so that you are not serving underage guests. You can be held responsible if you provide alcohol to someone under age 21.
- Do not let guests party on porches, roofs or overcrowded decks beyond capacity. This is dangerous and illegal.

AFTER THE PARTY

- Respect your neighborhood. Clean up all garbage, cups and cans immediately after the party.
- Clean up all garbage, cups and cans immediately after the party.

Did you know?

It is illegal to possess an open container of an alcoholic beverage in some public areas. Conviction of this offense carries a maximum penalty of a $150 fine. Consumption of alcohol in a motor vehicle is a fourth-degree misdemeanor with maximum penalties of 30 days imprisonment or a $250 fine or both. The charge of possession or manufacture of a fake ID or the alteration of or use of someone else’s real ID is a first degree misdemeanor. The maximum penalties for this offense are six months imprisonment or a $1,000 fine or both. Moreover, if the fake ID is utilized to purchase alcohol or enter an establishment that serves alcohol, the minimum fine must be at least $250 and the person displaying the fake ID may have their valid identification suspended for three years.

It is a violation of Ohio State’s Code of Student Conduct to host an out-of-control party, meaning you could potentially face suspension or dismissal from Ohio State. Make sure you are in control of your party at all times. If you even suspect the party is getting out of hand, contact the police for assistance.

ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUGS

BASICS and CASICS are designed to assist students in examining their own behavior in a judgment-free environment. One-on-one assessments are available for alcohol (BASICS) and marijuana (CASICS) use. These programs are aimed at reducing risky behaviors and harmful consequences that may arise from alcohol and drug abuse. Visit sec.osu.edu for more information.

THE COLLEGIATE RECOVERY COMMUNITY

The Collegiate Recovery Community is a supportive community for students in recovery from drug and alcohol addiction. It offers specific programming to support students in their academic and recovery journey. The Recovery House at Penn Place is an on campus living option for students in the Collegiate Recovery Community. For more information on the Collegiate Recovery Community, visit go.osu.edu/recovery.
Student Wellness Center

Student Life’s Student Wellness Center (SLSWC) serves to empower students to strive for balance and wellness. The SLSWC is responsible for promoting the 9 Dimensions of Wellness—emotional, career, social, intellectual, spiritual, physical, financial, creative and environmental—and for providing programming and services to help further student’s holistic wellness at Ohio State. To request educational sessions or workshops for your organization, please visit go.osu.edu/swcoutreach.

Wellness (n.)
An active and ongoing process which involves becoming aware of and taking steps toward a healthier, happier, more successful life.

Wellness Ambassadors
Wellness Ambassadors play a vital role in supporting the mission of Student Life, which aims to promote wellness among Ohio State students and their communities. Wellness Ambassadors serve to further your ability to connect with others and resources, truly experience wellness and maintain a healthy lifestyle. For more information, visit go.osu.edu/wellnessambassadors.

Additional Services
- Nutritional counseling
- HIV and Chlamydia/Gonorrhea testing
- The Condom Club
- Sexual Violence Education and Support
- Tobacco-free resources
- The Collegiate Recovery Community
- Scarlet and Gray Financial

Wellness Coaching
Wellness coaching is a free service that uses a positive psychology approach to help you thrive. Coaches provide individual, one-hour appointments where you use your strengths to create the life you want to be living. For more information, visit go.osu.edu/wellnesscoaching.

“The Student Wellness Center’s nutrition coaching was really beneficial in the transition to college. My coach helped me find the best healthy campus options for me. I’d love to continue using this resource when I make the transition off campus.”

Anushka N.
Off Campus Student

“The Student Wellness Center is a great resource for students, even if you do live off campus. They provide students with professional enrichment to financial coaching. I would recommend utilizing the Student Wellness Center while you are here as a student.”

Kady G.
Off Campus Resident

LIVING OFF-CAMPUS

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
Student Health Services (SHS) is centrally located in the Wills Student Health Center at 1875 Millikin Rd, between Thompson Library and The Recreation and Physical Activity Center (RPAC). SHS is a nationally accredited outpatient facility, which provides a variety of health care services to the student population of The Ohio State University. Stop by the office for more information.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SUPPORT SERVICES</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Radology</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Laboratory</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Nutrition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pharmacy</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AVAILABLE SERVICES</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Vaccinations</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Primary Care</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dental Services</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sports Medicine and Physical Therapy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Optometry, including eye-wear gallery</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gynecology</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Allergy Evaluation and Injection Therapy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Travel Medicine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Office Procedures, including Wound Care and Colposcopy</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Student Life Student Health Services</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wellness Center</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>337 W. 17th Avenue</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>614-292-4527</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><a href="mailto:wellness@osu.edu">wellness@osu.edu</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The Student Health Services is centrally located in the Wills Student Health Center at 1875 Millikin Rd, between Thompson Library and The Recreation and Physical Activity Center (RPAC). SHS is a nationally accredited outpatient facility, which provides a variety of health care services to the student population of The Ohio State University. Stop by the office for more information.

“Student Health Services (SHS) is centrally located in the Wills Student Health Center at 1875 Millikin Rd, between Thompson Library and The Recreation and Physical Activity Center (RPAC). SHS is a nationally accredited outpatient facility, which provides a variety of health care services to the student population of The Ohio State University. Stop by the office for more information.”
Buckeye for Life

Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services believes in building strong relationships with our community members, including city and state constituents. This includes being heavily involved in community meetings, organizations, and initiatives to ensure students and community partners are engaged and connected. Being a good neighbor and a responsible citizen are important aspects of being a Buckeye!

Be a good neighbor

311 COLUMBUS CALL CENTER

The City of Columbus Call Center provides a way for you to submit requests for city services by calling 614-645-3111. The call center is the single point of contact for residents to request all non-emergency city services such as potholes or fallen trees, as well as scheduling bulk trash pick-up.

Check out 311.columbus.gov for more information.

CITY OF COLUMBUS APP

The City of Columbus also provides a free mobile app. The goal is to allow area residents enhanced access to city and community resources. The mobile app encompasses four main initiatives:

- My Neighborhood
- Get Active
- Get Green
- 311

WHAT CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY INVOLVES

- Service opportunities
- “See something, say something”
- Picking up trash and recycling
- Donating old clothes/appliances
- Supporting others
- Being involved in your community

Civic Responsibility (n.)

The social responsibility of bettering our Buckeye community through active engagement.

“I was always very involved in the betterment of my community in high school, from volunteering at animal shelters to tutoring children. When coming to Ohio State, I was excited to learn that I would have the same opportunities to help others and I am still actively engaged with the Columbus community.”

Carrington C.
Off-Campus Resident
Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services is here for both off-campus students as well as for those who live in the Greater Columbus area and commute to campus. Mastering how to physically navigate from home to campus is the easy part of commuting— but now what? For commuter students at Ohio State, there are many obstacles that may pose challenges to success and satisfaction during college. Whether you are proud of your commuter identity, you dislike having the “commuter” label, or you are somewhere in between, we are here to help connect you with peers who are facing similar experiences, and identify some tips and resources to successfully navigate life as a commuter student.

**Commuting to Success**

As a commuter, it is important to solidify a strong support structure on campus, which includes:
- Participation in campus events
- Peer interaction
- Interaction with faculty
- Institutional commitment

**DETERMINE WHERE TO PARK**

Parking permits are provided by CampusParc. To see what permits you are eligible to purchase please visit osu.campusparc.com or stop by the Gateway Plaza at 1560 N. High St.

**MAP OUT AND PRACTICE HOW TO GET TO CLASS**

Once you have figured out parking, how will you get to class? Ohio State University’s CABS (Campus Area Bus Service) is a free transit system that runs throughout the Ohio State campus and targeted surrounding areas provided by Transportation & Traffic Management. CABS buses stop at all designated stops, and IDs are not necessary to ride the bus. You can even see when the next bus will come to your stop on the OSU app.

The **OSU app** puts campus in your pocket. The official Ohio State app is FREE and gives you easy access to everything Ohio State offers, from viewing your grades, to finding your classes and more!

**Preparations as a commuter student**

"I take the COTA bus to campus from my apartment in Grandview. It saves me so much money on gas and parking, since COTA is available to use for all students! I get dropped off in front of the Ohio Union and I’m ready to start the day. It makes commuting to campus easy and I’m able to stay connected and involved."

Marissa L.

Commuter Student

---

**Explore Columbus with your BuckID**

- DOWNTOWN
- LC PAVILION
- LENNOX TOWN CENTER
- NATIONWIDE ARENA
- OHIO THEATRE
- PARK STREET
- PORT COLUMBUS INT’L AIRPORT
- SCHOTTKENSTEIN CENTER
- SHORT NORTH
- THE MALL AT TUTTLE CROSSING

Visit COTA.com/OSU for specific schedules
COMMUTER LOCKERS
As a commuter student, you may reserve a locker each semester. Located on the 3rd floor of the Ohio Union, the locker area features:
- 62 lockers with locks (free of charge)
- Lockers are available on a first come first served basis beginning the first day of each semester

COMMUTER KITCHEN
The commuter kitchen is located on the 3rd floor of the Ohio Union. It is a convenient way to store your lunch, snacks and a beverage while on campus. Features include:
- Two large full refrigerators
- Two microwave ovens
- A sink with garbage disposal
- Full cabinets and countertops
Only Ohio State students are eligible to gain access to the Commuter Kitchen. To gain access, visit 3106 Ohio Union.

JOIN THE COMMUTER MENTORING PROGRAM
The Commuter Mentoring Program is for first year commuter students at The Ohio State University. First year commuters are paired with a Commuter Liaison who serve as a mentor throughout the year. A goal of the Commuter Mentoring Program is to ensure first year commuters stay engaged and involved with the University. Commuter Liaisons serve as a resource for mentees to answer questions and concerns, and connect students with campus resources and events.
Participation in this program includes:
- Weekly email updates with fun and engaging opportunities
- Personalized mentoring sessions with a Commuter Liaison
- Monthly get-togethers on-campus and around the Columbus area

"I loved being in the Commuter Mentoring Program. It helped me to become more connected to Ohio State and find my place at OSU. Without joining the program, I probably would not have found my place here, nor would I call Ohio State home!"
Noah B.
Commuter Liaison

LIVING OFF-CAMPUS
Get Involved!

Getting involved as a student at Ohio State is a vital part of your college career and personal growth. And let’s face it: being involved is fun! You can meet new people, make new friends and learn valuable skills for the future. There are an abundance of opportunities to get involved, regardless of whether you live on or off campus. For more info, visit go.osu.edu/getinvolved.

A great place to start is the Keith B. Key Center for Student Leadership and Service, which offers a wide range of ways to connect with leadership and service activities. There are over 1,200 registered student organizations at Ohio State! Thousands of students have found one, two or even more student organizations that have caught their attention and interested them enough to join. Student organizations are yet another fun way to connect with peers, meet a diverse group of people, develop academically and build lifelong skills.

Visit go.osu.edu/studentorganizations

The Discount Ticket Program (D-Tix) works with sporting events, concerts and cultural events within Columbus to provide discounted tickets to Ohio State students. Some popular deals include the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, COSI, Columbus Blue Jackets games, the Funny Bone Comedy Club and many local area restaurants. Tickets can be purchased with a valid BuckID.

Visit dtix.osu.edu

The Student Life Multicultural Center offers a diversity of free programming and events throughout the year. Learn a new cultural perspective or become immersed in your own through heritage and awareness events, festivals, three-credit courses, workshops and more!

Visit mcc.osu.edu

The Community Ambassador and Commuter Liaison programs are a fantastic way to get involved in your off-campus and commuter community. These student led initiatives provide a unique opportunity to build leadership and mentoring skills, all while having a great time. You can apply to be a Community Ambassador or Commuter Liaison, help with various events and/or efforts, or simply take part in the many fun events held each semester.

Visit offcampus.osu.edu

The Ohio Union Activities Board (OUAB) is another great way to have fun and get involved. OUAB provides a multitude of events for students, including concerts, comedy shows, lectures, social events and much more. The best part: these are FREE events!

Visit ouab.osu.edu

Getting involved as a student at Ohio State is a vital part of your college career and personal growth. And let’s face it: being involved is fun! You can meet new people, make new friends and learn valuable skills for the future. There are an abundance of opportunities to get involved, regardless of whether you live on or off campus. For more info, visit go.osu.edu/getinvolved.

A great place to start is the Keith B. Key Center for Student Leadership and Service, which offers a wide range of ways to connect with leadership and service activities. There are over 1,200 registered student organizations at Ohio State! Thousands of students have found one, two or even more student organizations that have caught their attention and interested them enough to join. Student organizations are yet another fun way to connect with peers, meet a diverse group of people, develop academically and build lifelong skills.

Visit go.osu.edu/studentorganizations

The Discount Ticket Program (D-Tix) works with sporting events, concerts and cultural events within Columbus to provide discounted tickets to Ohio State students. Some popular deals include the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, COSI, Columbus Blue Jackets games, the Funny Bone Comedy Club and many local area restaurants. Tickets can be purchased with a valid BuckID.

Visit dtix.osu.edu

The Student Life Multicultural Center offers a diversity of free programming and events throughout the year. Learn a new cultural perspective or become immersed in your own through heritage and awareness events, festivals, three-credit courses, workshops and more!

Visit mcc.osu.edu

The Community Ambassador and Commuter Liaison programs are a fantastic way to get involved in your off-campus and commuter community. These student led initiatives provide a unique opportunity to build leadership and mentoring skills, all while having a great time. You can apply to be a Community Ambassador or Commuter Liaison, help with various events and/or efforts, or simply take part in the many fun events held each semester.

Visit offcampus.osu.edu

The Ohio Union Activities Board (OUAB) is another great way to have fun and get involved. OUAB provides a multitude of events for students, including concerts, comedy shows, lectures, social events and much more. The best part: these are FREE events!

Visit ouab.osu.edu

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Check out sfs.osu.edu/jobs

All students taking 4 or more credit hours have a Rec Sports membership included in your student fees. Take advantage of your membership by visiting the recreation facilities and live your Life in Motion this semester!

BuckIDs are automatically activated at the beginning of each semester to swipe into the facilities.

recsports.osu.edu

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!

Planning to Get a Job on Campus?

Get Involved!
Moving Out

DOUBLE-CHECK YOUR LEASE FOR YOUR DEFINED MOVE-OUT NOTICE PERIOD
Notify the landlord prior to the deadline, in writing, of your intent to stay or to move out after the lease term. Student Legal Services can assist you in drafting this letter to your landlord. If you are planning to leave, you must provide your landlord a forwarding address for your security deposit to be mailed to you.

MAKE SURE YOU PAY YOUR LAST MONTH’S RENT
You cannot substitute your last month’s rent with the already-paid security deposit.

CLEAN THE PROPERTY THOROUGHLY
A thorough cleaning job includes removing all tacks, nails and tape from the walls. It also includes replacing any light bulbs that are burned out.

DOCUMENT CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY
Once this has been completed—and, ideally, once you move your furniture out, complete a move-out checklist and take pictures/video just like you did when you moved in to show in what condition you left the property. You also want to do a walk-through with the landlord, so that you can inspect the property together.

LEAVE YOUR CITY GARBAGE CONTAINER AND BLUE RECYCLING CART AT THE PROPERTY
Schedule a bulk trash pick-up if necessary by calling 3-1-1 (614-645-3111)!

CANCEL ALL OF YOUR UTILITY ACCOUNTS
Ensure that you call all of your utility companies directly to schedule a date to disconnect all your utilities. Remember your bills have to be paid in full before you are permitted to close your accounts.

RETURN ALL OF YOUR KEYS

Important Contact Information

STUDENT LIFE OFFICES AND SERVICES
Office of Student Life
614-292-9334
studentlife.osu.edu

Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services
614-292-0000
offcampus.osu.edu

BuckID
614-292-0400
buckid.osu.edu

Counseling and Consultation Service
614-292-5766
ccs.osu.edu

Student Advocacy Center
614-292-1111
advocacy.osu.edu

Student Mediation
614-292-0748
studentconduct.osu.edu

Student Wellness Center
614-292-4527
swc.osu.edu

Wilce Student Health Center
614-292-4321
shc.osu.edu

ADDITIONAL UNIVERSITY SERVICES
Campus Directory Assistance
614-292-6446

CampusParc
614-688-0000
osu.campusparc.com

Office of International Affairs
614-688-5482
osu.edu

Student Legal Services
614-247-5853
studentlegal.osu.edu

Suicide Prevention Hotline
614-221-5445
suicidepreventionservices.org

Transportation and Traffic Management
614-292-RIDE
ttm.osu.edu

ADDITIONAL CITY SERVICES
311 Call Center
614-645-3111
311.columbus.gov

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
Columbus Division of Fire
614-292-2222
columbus.gov/fire/

Columbus Police
614-645-4545
columbuspolice.org

Community Crime Patrol and Neighborhood Policing Center
614-247-1760
communitycrimepatrol.org

Emergency
9-1-1

Ohio State Department of Public Safety
614-292-2222
dps.osu.edu

Ohio State Emergency Management
emergency.osu.edu

Ohio State Police
614-292-2222
ps.ohio-state.edu/police/

Student Safety Service
614-292-3322
ps.osu.edu/sss/escort_info
Don’t Forget These Tips!

01 UTILIZE Off Campus and Commuter Student Services.

02 PARTY SMART and RESPECTFULLY.

Allow Student Legal Services to provide you with a free LEASE REVIEW.

04 GET INVOLVED IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

Build positive relationships with all of your neighbors.

05 DOCUMENT EVERYTHING in writing and keep a copy for your records.

06 TAKE RESPONSIBILITY for your own safety. Get involved with Buckeye Block Watch and the Community Ambassador/Commuter Liaison programs.

Lead a healthy, WELL-BALANCED lifestyle.

07 RESERVE a commuter locker and obtain swipe access to the Commuter Kitchen.

08 Schedule a FREE HOME VISIT to allow Student Life and the Columbus Division of Fire to assess the safety, security and sustainability of your off-campus property.

09 Pick up your FREE WINDOW AND DOOR ALARMS and free safety timers from Off-Campus and Commuter Student Services.

REPRESENT The Ohio State University’s motto by being a Buckeye in and out of the classroom.

Rent your Penske truck at Gateway Self Storage

Penske is the smart choice for students:

• No underage surcharge for 18–23 year olds
• Free unlimited miles on one-way rentals
• One of the newest fleets on the road
• MP3 jack and/or CD player in every truck

Visit Penske.com or call 1-800-241-9000 to learn more about renting Penske trucks, get helpful moving tips or even start a job search at Penske.

**Rent your Penske truck at Gateway Self Storage!**
Our Mission
Is Student Success

LEARN.
At T-H-E GRIFF, the lifestyle we offer includes an environment conducive to students. Living in our community will give you the chance to kick back and relax as you study.

- Secure Garage Parking and Bike Storage
- Amazing Pool
- Movie Theater/Fitness Center with Tanning/Rooftop Terrace
- Study Lounges and Computer Labs

LIVE.
It is important to live at a community that is ready to take care of you while you go to classes. At T-H-E GRIFF, we are at your service. We strive to provide a clean, safe and accommodating living experience for each resident.

- Fully Furnished – Utilities included (Except Electric) – Washer & Dryer Included – Private Bathrooms

PLAY.
When you have free time before or after classes you deserve a little pampering! So take full advantage of all the fun at your fingertips.

- Secure Garage Parking
- Bike Storage
- Amazing Pool
- Movie Theater/Fitness Center with Tanning/Rooftop Terrace
- Study Lounges and Computer Labs

FOCUS.
Call Today to Reserve: 844-67-GRIFF
or
View and Apply Online Today: www.thegriffosu.com

College life should be something to remember throughout the rest of your life, so live like you mean it!

The Single:
› 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath
710 to 828 Square Ft

The Double:
› 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath
1065 Square Ft

The Triple:
› 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath
1431 Square Ft

The Quad A:
› 4 Bedroom, 4 Bath
1626 to 2292 Square Ft
An Apartment for Virtually EVERY Taste, EVERY Need, EVERY Lifestyle.

48 East 15th Avenue  
614-294-5511  
buckeyerealestate.com

Flats • Townhomes • Half Doubles • Houses