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The Housing and Residence Life team is finalizing plans for our August reopening that will support the health and welfare of our entire community. Please note the following ways our campus housing experience will change, and rest assured that we will continue to adapt as circumstances may require:

- Reduction of population density in residence halls: We are following guidance provided by government and health authorities to increase physical distancing in community living environments. As a result, the university will reduce the number of individuals living in our residence halls. There will be no more than two people assigned per bedroom. We will offer a combination of single bedrooms with community bathrooms, doubles with private and community bathrooms, and suite-style living units for students either on campus or at nearby hotels. With this change, we have eliminated triple bedroom options and increased the possibility that a majority of upperclassmen will receive a room assignment at a nearby partner hotel until space becomes available back on campus.
- Changes to campus services: Residence halls remain a great place to interact with your peers; however, things will look a little different as we implement safety measures. For example:
  - *Restricted access:* Only residential students, university staff and approved vendors may access the residence halls.
  - *No visitors:* Students may have only their assigned roommate, if applicable, in their room. No overnight guests will be permitted in any hall.
  - *Facial coverings:* Students will be expected to wear masks in lobbies, lounges and other public spaces on campus and in residence halls.
  - *Limited facilities:* Some recreation areas, equipment and activities may be unavailable.
  - *Limited capacity:* Restrictions will be in place for community lounges, elevators and laundry rooms.
  - *Food and beverage:* Hours and occupancy of dining facilities will be limited, and we may make other operational adjustments as needed to follow health guidelines and address safety concerns. Waterspouts on fountains also will be eliminated from use.

COVID-19 isolation procedures: The university will have a limited number of isolation rooms. Due to limited availability, on-campus residents who present as positive to a COVID-19 test should be prepared to make their own arrangements to move temporarily to space off campus during the isolation time. The Housing and Residence Life team will work closely with the Health Center staff to determine if a student should relocate. A student must have medical clearance recognized by the university before being allowed back into their assigned room and hall.

For more details and answers to frequently asked questions see [lynn.edu/roadmap](https://lynn.edu/roadmap).