

We would like to welcome you to Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University. Soon you will be moving into your home away from home. We are very excited to have you staying with us this year, and hope that you will find the answer to many of your questions regarding Move-In.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE

All residents will move in during their assigned time block. Time blocks will be between 8:00AM until 6:00PM by appointment only. More information forthcoming.

Reserved Fall '26 residents are now able to schedule their Fall '26 Move-In appointment time via the Housing Portal. <u>CLICK TO VIEW</u> GUIDE

If you notice damage or issues in your room after moving in, you must submit a Maintenance request within 24 hours to address the issue. If you do not submit a Maintenance request, you could potentially be charged for preexisting damages after checkout. To submit a maintenance request, you must email: housingmaintenance@famu.edu.



MISSION

The mission of FAMU Housing is to promote a safe, clean, service-oriented, efficiently managed, nurturing living learning environment that is conducive to students' academic pursuits and personal growth while fostering a sense of community, civic responsibility, and an appreciation of others.

The RATTLER Living Experience encourages students to develop...

Collegiality, Excellence, Caring, Diversity, Respect, and Integrity





EMERGENCY PLANNING

FAMU has officers working throughout the campus to ensure student safety. In case of an unforeseen emergency, an emergency preparedness kit is recommended for students moving into a residence hall or apartment. Contact: (850) 599 -3256 ~ famupol@famu.edu ~ famu.edu/publicsafety



FAMUALERT Communications system that provides timely and

accurate information about emergency situations.

PREPARE FOR WEATHER

BE INFORMED

Review FAMU emergency procedures at emergency.famu.edu. Updates will be communicated through the radio and the emergency notification system.

FILL TANK

In case there is an emergency evacuation, any resident who owns a vehicle should have the gas tank filled.

BUILD A HURRICANE KIT

Recommended supplies are: water, canned food, battery-powered radio, flashlight, portable charger, first aid kit and cash.

CLEAR REFRIGERATORS & FREEZERS

The items in your refrigerator and freezer may spoil if power is lost.



Campus Safety Notice: Prohibited Devices for All Incoming Students

Welcome to Florida A&M University! As you prepare for move-in, it's important to be aware of our policies regarding certain personal transportation devices. To ensure the safety and well-being of our campus community, the following devices are prohibited on all FAMU campuses:

- Electric scooters
- E-bikes
- gas-powered vehicles
- Hoverboards
- Self-balancing scooters
- Segways
- Any similar devices powered by lithium-ion batteriesElectron Era

This policy encompasses the use, storage, and charging of these devices across all campus areas, including roadways, walkways, parking lots, green spaces, university buildings, residence halls, and facilities.

Why This Policy Is in Place

The primary concern leading to this prohibition is safety. Devices powered by lithium-ion batteries have been associated with fire hazards. For instance, in New York City, fires caused by such batteries increased from 28 incidents in 2019 to 216 in 2022, resulting in injuries and fatalities. These incidents highlight the potential risks associated with charging and storing these devices indoors.

FAMU's Housing Student Handbook explicitly states that due to fire risks, motorized vehicles—including hoverboards, self-balancing scooters, and similar devices—may not be operated, charged, or stored inside any residence hall.

What This Means for Students and Parents

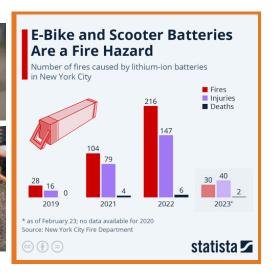
- Do Not Bring Prohibited Devices: Please refrain from bringing electric scooters, e-bikes, hoverboards, or similar devices to campus.
- No Exceptions: These devices are not allowed in any campus areas, including dormitories and academic buildings.
- Alternative Transportation: Consider traditional bicycles or walking as safe and approved means of transportation on campus.

We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to these guidelines, which are in place to ensure a safe and secure environment for all members of the FAMU community.

For more information, please refer to the FAMU Housing Student Handbook or contact the Office of Student Affairs.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter, and welcome to the Rattler family!





WHAT TO BRING

Getting Around Campu

- Rattler Card You will use it for checkin, dining & getting into your residence hall.
- Key ring/card holder
- Moving supplies such as carts, dollies, boxes, etc. plastic or tarp (in case of rain)
- Cleaning supplies (Sanitizer, disinfectant) Masks/PPE

Laundry & Cleaning

- High-efficiency laundry detergent
- Clothes hamper
- Iron/ironing board
- Hangers
- Trash liners
- Small vacuum
- Air freshener
- Toiletries including toilet paper
- Shower caddy and shower shoes for residents using community bathrooms

Personal Dece

- Lamp/desk organizers
- Computer/laptop
- Closet organizers
- Food/eating utensils
- Surge protector
- Bicycle lock

No nails, screws, or staples, only use blue painters tape or Command Strips

Linen

- Pillow Blanket, quilt, or comforter
- Pillow top or egg carton cushion
- Mattress pad
- Towels & Washcloths
- Twin XL Sheets (Double XL Sheets for Rattler Pointe)

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Tobacco FAMU is a tobacco-free campus, this includes use of electronic cigarettes and vape pens
- Extension cords Fire Marshal prohibits use of extension cords
- Multi-plug adapters without approved surge protectors
- String lights such as Christmas lights unless battery operated
- Matches/Cigarettes
- Projectiles

- Pets
- Open coil heating or cooking devices (toaster ovens, space heaters, air fryers)
- Candles or incense
- Fireworks
- Weapons or anything that can be construed as a weapon
- Illegal drugs/paraphernalia
- Hoverboard
- Scooters are prohibited

WHAT'S THE WI-FI?

For information on connecting to FAMU Wireless, iRattler, FAMUmail, or connecting smart devices/gaming systems, please go to <u>IT Service Helpdesk</u> (famu.edu).

You may also seek help with connectivity issues by clicking on Help Desk Request (famu.edu), calling 850-412-HELP(4357), or emailing helpdesk@famu.edu.

Keep in mind, the Available wireless networks on campus are used for the following:

- FAMUSecure (students, staff, faculty) connect your laptop, desktop, tablet, mobile phone
- FAMUGuest (residents must register device(s)) connect your gaming systems, smartTVs, portable streaming devices, etc., (visit IT webpage – "connecting a gaming or smart device" for more information)

Please be advised that personal routers, switches, range extenders, hot spots, wireless cameras/doorbells, etc., are not allowed in University Housing facilities. Additionally, wireless printers cannot be registered as a wireless device on campus.

Finally, the wireless equipment is to be treated with great care. Any damage to the ethernet and cable ports may incur up to a \$500 fine.

FAMU Residence Hall Association partners with SWAK University Services (SWAKU) to offer FAMU Families everything they need to outfit the residence hall room.

FAMU has Twin XL mattresses. These mattresses are 80 – 84 inches, instead of 76 inches which is the size of a standard twin mattresses. SWAKU has a multitude of options for these Twin XL sheet sets, comforters, blankets, bed toppers and mattress protectors. They are all guaranteed to fit these specially sized beds. SWAKU also has hundreds of options to complete the outfitting of the residence hall room, including storage solutions, carpets, headboards, and room décor.

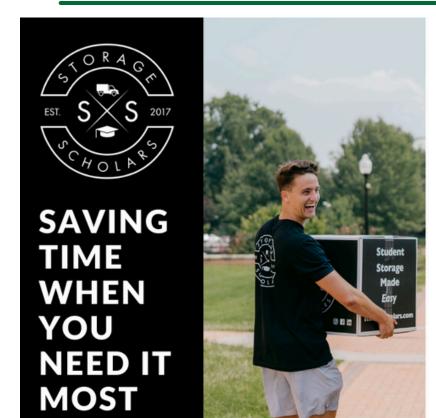
The bundles are the most popular solutions, and an easy way to make sure your Student has everything they need. SWAKU has coordinated with FAMU to ensure that these bundles are a turnkey solution for getting off to the right start in college life.

Order deadline for Room Essentials is July 17th, but we highly recommend ordering early to ensure the best availability of product for your Student.

NOTE: Rattler Pointe utilizes double XL sheets.



WE'VE PARTNERED TO EASE THE STRESS OF MOVE-IN DAY



STORAGE + SHIPPING

MADE EASY



We supply all the essentials to pack



Lock everything in your room to be picked up after campus closes



Everything will be waiting in your new room when you return

- We Ship You Empty Boxes
 - We send a bundle of empty boxes along with tape and prepaid return shipping labels to your home.
- You Pack & Ship Back
 - You pack your items in the boxes, seal them up, and ship them back over to us over the summer months.
- We Receive & Deliver
 - Our team receives those packages, stores them, and delivers them ready and waiting in your room when you arrive on campus.

HOUSING STYLES

TRADITIONAL/SUITE-STYLE

- POLKINGHORNE VILLAGE
- SAMPSON HALL
- YOUNG HALL
- FAMU TOWERS
- VENOM LANDING

AMENITIES

- CLIMATE CONTROLLED
 HEAT & AIR
- EXTERIOR & INTERIOR SURVEILLANCE IN COMMON AREAS
- EXTERIOR ELECTRONIC CARD ACCESS

APARTMENT-STYLE

- PALMETTO SOUTH
- PALMETTO PHASE III
- RATTLER POINTE

AMENITIES

- CENTRAL AIR & HEAT
- FULL KITCHEN & DINING ROOM
- EXTERIOR SURVEILLANCE



WI-FI | COMPUTER LABS









LIVING LEARNING COMMUNITIES (LLC)

The communities located in Towers North:

- Allied Health Sciences
- Nursing
- Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities

The communities located in Towers South:

- Journalism and Graphic Communication
- Education
- Environment
- Agriculture and Food Sciences
- Architecture and Engineering Technology

The communities located in Village West:

- Honors
- Business and Industry
- Science and Technology
- Engineering

The communities located in Village East:

- Honors RISE
- RATTLERS RISE (Second year experience)

The community located in Phase III:

Transfer

The deadline to apply for the LLCs has closed.









ESSENTIAL RESOURCES

RENTAL INSURANCE RECOMMENDED

Renters insurance provides valuable protection if a student's personal belongings are stolen or damaged by a covered event, including laptop computers, smart phones, bicycles, game consoles, textbooks, clothing, and other items. In most instances, the university assumes no responsibility if your valuables are lost, stolen or damaged.

Renters insurance also protects students financially for unintentional damage to the student's residence, or bodily injury to others for which the student is legally liable within the residence premises.

ADDTIONAL RESOURCES

Living On Campus

Connecting Your Smart Devices: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iMsNhUxSuU8/

Mailing a Package:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3pd8G9WL6Pw

Moving & Storage

<u>Storage Scholars</u> www.storagescholars.com

ESSENTIAL LINKS

- Fall '25 Application Guide
- · Official Move-In Website
- TV Channels & Tutorial



PARENT PORTAL

Greetings Rattler Family, Congratulations on your student's acceptance into Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, passionately known as FAMU!

The Office of University Housing has created a centralized online platform where parents of students can access information and resources related to University Housing. The information contained here will be updated on an ongoing basis as we strive to keep you abreast of the happenings in University Housing. The parent portal serves to provide access to important documents and forms, such as the student housing agreement, move-in instructions, and housing policies, in a digital format for easy reference.

It is imperative that your student stay up to date by following our Social Media pages at famuhousing 1887 and paying attention to any announcements delivered through FAMUINFO. The same information they receive there will also be uploaded here. We do ask that you allow your scholar to become the responsible young adult you have raised them to be and take care of their own affairs. However, we understand that some information may slip by as they work towards GRADUATION and would like to make you aware.

First, if your student is Newly Admitted, please sit down and review their Admissions Packet in full to avoid any obstacles when it is time to apply for Housing.

If you have a Returning Student, please advise them to pay attention to FAMUINFO as this is often the method of first release for new information.

Lastly, feel free to explore the entire University Housing webpage at your convenience and contact us with any questions or concerns at (850) 599-3651 or famuhousing@famu.edu.



DIRECTIONS

THE PRIMARY VEHICLE ROUTE SHALL BE WAHNISH WAY, GAINES STREET, OSCEOLA STREET, EUGENIA STREET AND PERRY STREET (BOTH DIRECTIONS). EMERGENCY VEHICLES SHALL BE GIVEN PRIORITY FOR TRAVEL IF AN EMERGENCY INCIDENT OCCURRED.

FAMU TOWERS

451 Rudy Hubbard Way, Tallahassee, FL 32301

YOUNG/SAMPSON HALL

1591 Gibbs Hall Trail, Tallahassee, FL 32310

POLKINGHORNE VILLAGE

667 Robert & Trudy Perkins Way , Tallahassee, FL 32310

PALMETTO SOUTH APARTMENTS

255 Palmetto Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301

PALMETTO PHASE III APARTMENTS

277 Palmetto Street, Tallahassee, FL 32301

RATTLER POINTE BUILDING A

1220/1230 Conklin St Tallahassee, FL 32310

RATTLER POINTE BUILDING B

1119, 1123, 1130, 1135 Conklin St Tallahassee, FL 32310

RATTLER POINTE BUILDING C

636 Eugenia St Tallahassee, FL 32310

RATTLER POINTE BUILDING D

600 Eugenia St Tallahassee, FL 32310

VENOM LANDING

475 & 479 Rudy Hubbard Way, Tallahassee, FL 32301

PARKING & LOADING

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POLKINGHORNE VILLAGE

667 Robert & Trudy Perkins Way, Tallahassee, FL 32310
Students/Parents can enter from Perry Street for staging. An attendant/Officer will direct you to the unloading zone (Polkinghorne Village rear parking lot). Please note that this area is for unloading only. Items should be unloaded, and then the vehicle should be moved to Ardelia Court or Parking Garage for parking. Someone must always stay with the vehicle during the unloading process. The parking spaces in front of Polkinghorne Village are for ADA unloading only. There is no parking in front of Polkinghorne Village on Robert and Trudie Perkins Way.





FAMU TOWERS

451 Rudy Hubbard Way, Tallahassee, FL 32301
The staging area will be the MLK Blvd Parking Lot (located at the intersection of MLK and Lincoln Street). Students/Parents can enter the Parking Lot from MLK Blvd for staging. An attendant/Officer will direct you to the unloading zone (Towers westside parking lot). Please note that this area is for unloading only. Someone must always stay with the vehicle during the unloading process. Items should be unloaded, and then the vehicle should be moved to the Gravel lot, located at the intersection of MLK Blvd and Osceola Street for parking.

YOUNG/SAMPSON HALL

Students/Parents can enter the Bragg Memorial Stadium parking lot from Perry St for staging. All staging will travel North on Wahnish Way. An attendant/Officer will direct you to the unloading zone. Please note that this area is for unloading only. Items should be unloaded, and then the vehicle should be moved to the Parking Garage for parking. Someone must always stay with the vehicle during the unloading process.



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RATTLER POINTE

1220/1230 Conklin St Tallahassee, FL 32310

Students/Parents can enter the Rattler Pointe Complex off of Eugenia Street from either Perry Street or Wahnish Way for staging. An attendant/Officer will direct you to the unloading zone (designated building). Please note that this area is for unloading only. Items should be unloaded, and then the vehicle should be moved to Ardelia Court for parking. Someone must always stay with the vehicle during the unloading process. After unloading, the vehicle must exit from the complex north on Conklin Street to FAMU Way, then right (east) on FAMU Way to Wahnish Way, then right (south) on Wahnish Way to the traffic lights. Make right (west) onto Robert and Trudie Perkins Way to Ardelia Court (which will be to your right). There is no parking in front of the apartment overnight during the move in timeframe. All vehicles must park on Ardelia Court in the grassy area.



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SHUTTLE SERVICE

Two shuttles will be circling around the campus with designated bus stops from 9:00am-5:00pm.



PREFERED TRAVEL ROUTE

- Traveling South to Parking Garage
- Go South on Wahnish Way
Turn right into Parking Garage
- Traveling North to Parking Garage
- Go North on Wahnish Way
Turn left onto Okaloosa Street
Turn right onto Perry Street
Turn right onto Robert and Trudie Perkins Way
Turn right into Parking Garage

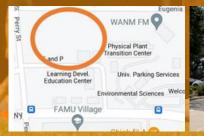


GAME DAY PARKING



Please be advised that, "All parking lots on campus are reserved for Athletics for Game Day parking at 5:30PM each Friday of a game week"
-FAMU Athletics

- 1. All vehicles must be moved from the Welcome Center Parking Lot and the Wahnish Parking Garage by 5:30 p.m., the Friday before each home game.
- 2. Starting at noon on Thursday's before homes games, vehicles in the Polkinghorne Village lot, must be relocated. Please see image below for clarity.
- 3. Parking is available on the grass lot of Ardelia Court at the corner of Perry Street and Eugenia Street. This is directly across from Polkinghorne Village, behind the brick buildings at 667 Ardelia Court, Tallahassee, FL 32310, and the RV Parking.





PREARRIVAL HALL MEETINGS

AUGUST, 2026 7PM | ZOOM

VILLAGE EAST https://famu.zoom.us/j/98762148874

VILLAGE WEST
https://famu.zoom.us/webinar/register/
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SAMPSON/ YOUNG https://famu.zoom.us/j/94890694769

TOWERS NORTH https://famu.zoom.us/j/99827158508

VENOM LANDING SOUTH
https://famu.zoom.us/j/99827158508https://us04web.z pwd=YWGTeeERbSkCUkklgkKCceN19HGLZd.1

TOWERS SOUTH https://famu.zoom.us/j/93018740896

PALMETTO SOUTH https://famu.zoom.us/j/97452375668

PALMETTO PHASE III https://famu.zoom.us/j/94754712949

RATTLE POINTE (TO HAPPEN AT 8 PM) https://famu.zoom.us/j/94276630635

VENOM LANDING NORTH https://famu.zoom.us/j/94049480068



MEET YOUR AREA COORDINATOR/RESIDENT DIRECTOR

MS. NIGERIA GWINN

Venom Landing North Front Desk: 850-599-8105 Email: Nigeria.gwinn@famu.edu

MR. DARIUS JONES

Venom Landing South Front Desk: 850-599-8112 Email: Rayjae.grant@famu.edu

MS. MAYA LEWIS

Polkinghorne Village East Front Desk: 850-412-5349 Email: maya.lewis@famu.edu

MR. JUSTEN SMITH

Polkinghorne Village West Front Desk: 850-412-5370 Email: darius6.jones@famu.edu

MS. SARAH DOMINGUEZ

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MS. JORDAN WHITE

Tower North Front Desk: 850-412-5079 Email: Justen 1. smith@famu.edu

MS. NATALIE ALEXIS

Sampson/Young Front Desk: 850-412-6561 Email:tia 1 .burgess@famu.edu

MS. TIA BURGESS

Rattlers Pointe Front Desk: 850.412.0000 Email: info@ochllc.com

MR. RAYJAE GRANT

Phase III Front Desk: 850-599-8802 Email: Rayjae.grant@famu.edu

MR. TYLER KELLY

Palmetto South (Assistant Resident Director) Front Desk: 850-561-2900 Email: tyler.kelly@famu.edu

STUDIES SHOW THAT STUDENTS WHO LIVE ON CAMPUS TEND TO: COMPLETE MORE CREDIT HOURS & HAVE HIGHER GPA

- THE RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION IS A STUDENT-LED CAMPUS ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY HOUSING. RHA AIMS TO BETTER THE RESIDENTIAL EXPERIENCE FOR THE ON-CAMPUS LIVING STUDENTS THROUGH ADVOCACY AND STUDENT LEADERSHIP.
- RHA HOSTS LARGE CAMPUS-WIDE EVENTS AND PLANNED TRIPS FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO LIVE ON-CAMPUS
- RHA OFFERS LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD RUNS THE ORGANIZATION.





