



**RESIDENCE LIFE
HANDBOOK**

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WELCOME FROM RESIDENCE LIFE

Convenience, support, and a fun community are just a few of the things residential living has to offer. The residence life staff promotes success in and out of the classroom and emphasizes community building, holistic learning, multicultural understanding, campus engagement, and leadership.

Residence life strives to provide an atmosphere that nourishes the learning, growth, and personal development of each resident within a cooperative community. In addition to the services and facilities provided, there are many activities, programs, and leadership opportunities available to students. The residence halls are an excellent place to develop knowledge, skills, and friendships that will last a lifetime!

We are excited to welcome you to the Southwestern Community. Please do not hesitate to call upon our staff. We are here to help you!

Dr. Sarah Hallinan
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GET INVOLVED!

A fun and successful year in the residence halls and apartments depends on students involvement and support. Residence life programming offers students an opportunity to actively participate in decision making, planning and implementing events. This is your community and you have the right and responsibility to help make it what you want it to be.

To become involved in programming, please see your RA or RD and look for flyers and banners publicizing meetings and events.

Hall meetings are a chance for each residence hall or apartment to come together and discuss issues and events that affect that area. Topics discussed at the meetings might include announcements of upcoming programs, current problems in the halls, ideas for activities, and any other issues that have an impact on life in your community.

The RAs and RDs are here for you, the students of Southwestern. We are here to listen, to help out, from conflict mediation to noise control, and we are also the holders of the toilet paper.



OFFICE OF RESIDENCE LIFE

The Office of Student Affairs and Office of Residence Life all work together to provide an environment that encourages community and promotes success.



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RESIDENT DIRECTORS (RD)

Resident directors, also known as hall directors, are part-time professional staff members who live in the residence halls. RDs supervise the student hall staff members, manage hall facility maintenance, and provide a safe and educational environment for residents.

RESIDENT ASSISTANTS (RA)

Resident assistants (RAs) are full-time students who live in the residence halls to assist the residence hall community. RAs receive intensive training to help them assist their residents. New resident assistant selection takes place each spring for the following fall semester. Joining the residence life staff is a great way to get involved in the Southwestern community.

HOW TO RESERVE A ROOM

First year students will receive an e-mail from an admissions counselor with the link to the housing application once they have paid the tuition deposit. Please contact your admission counselor if you have not paid or scheduled for enrollment.

We ask that students fill out the housing application on their own. There are a series of questions that include hobbies, study habits, smoker/non-smoker, and room cleanliness. We use these questions to match them with roommates.

Please make note of any illnesses or disabilities the residence life should be aware of on your housing application (physical, psychological, wheelchair access, asthma, etc.). Also note any needed accommodations. If you have questions about special accommodations contact the residence life office at 620-229-6392 or residence.life@sckans.edu.

CANCELLATION DATES, CHARGES, REFUND

Deposit/charges: To apply for on-campus housing a student must first make a \$100 tuition deposit. This deposit is applied to the students \$150 housing deposit. All students who reside on campus will be billed the remaining \$50 housing deposit. Damages or fines may be charged against it.

Key replacement charge: Students are issued entrance and room keys at residence hall check in. Lost room keys will result in a \$50 replacement charge per door (Warren Apartments have two doors). Lost residence hall entrance keys will result in a \$300 recore charge.

Cancellation fees: If a student requests housing for a forthcoming term and then cancels that reservation, the following charge schedule will apply. Before residence halls and apartments open, a \$150 penalty may be assessed against the room deposit. After residence halls open for the fall term, a \$300 penalty may be assessed for cancellations. Students who move in and then decide to move off campus are charged the FULL housing rate, but the room deposit is refundable. When students move out they must schedule a check-out appointment with hall staff 24 hours in advance. Failure to do so will result in a \$50 improper check out penalty.

Refund: The room deposit remains permanently on account until the student withdraws from college, graduates, or is given permission to move off campus, at which time a refund can be requested. Requests for refunds on room deposits must be made, in writing, to College Services

Students who move in and then later decide to move out will be charged the FULL SEMESTER ROOM RATE.

ROOMMATE ASSIGNMENTS

All freshmen are required to have a roommate for their first semester. After the first semester, any student may request to live in a private room for double the cost. However, because of space limitations there is no guarantee that a student will be able to receive a private room on request.

If you have a roommate in mind, please make sure you note the roommate on your application (and they note you on their application).

Room assignments emails will start going out the third week in June.

Housing assignments include room number and roommate information (name, phone number, and e-mail address).

ROOMMATE CONFLICT

Problems in a shared living environment are inevitable. Student's success will be determined by how they respond to these conflicts - not on their ability to avoid conflicts (or ignore them). We define students as adults and as such, place responsibility on them to act in a mature fashion. Our staff members are present to assist as coaches by helping to set parameters and mediate conflicts. Students should feel free to ask for assistance from these staff members at any time.

It is imperative that students address these issues themselves. If a roommate conflict occurs, first, try to work things out with your roommate. Although parents may be tempted to take care of the problem for them by contacting Residence Life staff, the roommate, or the roommate's family, this will not help students learn to deal with similar situations in the future. In addition, if parents feel they must intervene in some way, we ask that they not do so without your student's knowledge. In almost all cases, in order for a successful resolution to the situation, the student must be involved. If a student needs assistance, encourage him or her to contact the RA first, and if necessary, the Hall Director.

CONSOLIDATION

If a student loses a roommate during the semester or they were not assigned a roommate due to an uneven number of students they may be asked to consolidate. Hall directors will contact students when there is an option to consolidate. At that time the student will have the option to pay for a single (unless they are a first semester freshmen) or consolidate with another student. To be assured the double rate, a student may elect to consolidate with another student or be assigned a roommate. They will either have a new roommate move in with them or they will move in with another resident.

If a roommate is not available at this time you will be elected odd man out and will receive a roommate when one becomes available.

If you refuse a roommate at that time you will be charged for a private room for the semester.

HALLS AND APARTMENTS

Studies have shown that not only do students who spend at least their first couple of years living on campus receive better grades than those who commute, they also tend to persist (and finish their degrees) in higher numbers than those living off campus (Kuh, Gonyea, & Palmer, 2001).

By living on campus you become a member of a diverse community of active students. On-campus living also provides the convenience of being within walking distance of the library, classrooms, and dining hall. By living on campus at SC you have put yourself in the middle of everything. That's why we think it's important for students to take advantage of campus housing. It's not just about having a place to sleep; living on campus is about community, friends, and learning about one another.

Residency Requirement: All full-time students are required to live on campus except those who are married, veterans, twenty-one years old or older AND reached senior status, or live with their parents or legal guardians (within 50 miles of campus).

AMENITIES

All of Southwestern housing facilities have air conditioning, cable TV, and wireless internet. Toilet paper is also available upon request.

We ask that students bring their own cleaning supplies (mop, broom, vacuum, bathroom cleaner, etc.)

Safety and security: To further students' safety all outside entrances to campus housing are locked 24 hours a day. Campus security officers are also available to students if they are locked out or have an emergency situation.

Laundry fee: Each residential building has a laundry facility available for the building's residents. All residential students will be assessed a \$75 laundry fee each semester.

Furnishings: All residence halls and apartments are furnished. Each student is provided with a desk, desk chair, bed, and dresser.

**All College furniture must stay in designated room at all times.
There will be no swapping or storing furniture.**

COLE HALL



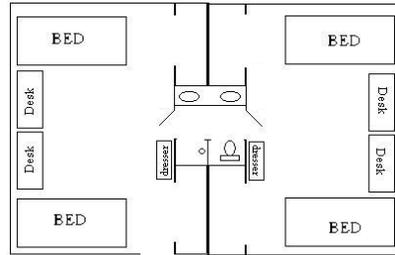
Cole Hall houses first-year women (and upperclassmen women when space allows). Cole Hall boasts spacious (14' x 21' 4") rooms, private baths, an elevator, and 3 lobbies. Each room contains bunkable/loftable beds (available upon request), 2 dressers, 2 file cabinets, 2 desks, and 2 chairs.

A meal plan is required in all residence halls.

All residence halls are closed during semester breaks.



WALLINGFORD



Wallingford houses first-year men. Each room is 16' x 10' with an adjoining bathroom. Loft kits are available upon request. Each resident has his own closet and a 2-drawer dresser. Each room has an individually controlled heating and air-conditioning unit. Wallingford hall has a community kitchen, and two lobbies with a ping pong table.

A meal plan is required in all residence halls.

All residence halls are closed during semester breaks.



BROADHURST HALL



Broadhurst is an upperclassmen co-ed community consisting of private and double rooms with an adjoining bathroom shared between two/four students. This hall has 24 hour visitation. Each room is 15' x 10'; two of which are handicap accessible. In addition, there is a community kitchen available for student use.

A meal plan is required in all residence halls.

All residence halls are closed during semester breaks.



SUTTON HALL



Broadhurst is an upperclassmen and freshmen overflow co-ed community consisting of private and double rooms with an adjoining bathroom shared between two/four students. This hall has 24 hour visitation. Each room is 15' x 11' and has an individually controlled heating and air-conditioning unit.

A meal plan is required in all residence halls.

All residence halls are closed during semester breaks.



REID HALL



Reid Hall, located across from Stewart Field House, offers private studio rooms, one-bedroom suites, and two-bedroom suites. Private studios are extremely limited and first come/first serve. The suites include a common living room and bathroom for one to two bedrooms, shared by two or four students. The suites have a sink area with a space for a mini fridge. Students may bring couches and chairs to make their suite as comfortable as they like.

A meal plan is required for all residents in Reid Hall.

Suites without kitchens are not allowed any kitchen appliances with heating elements, except for coffee pots with automatic shut offs.



Reid Hall is closed during semester breaks.

HONOR APARTMENTS



Tucked away behind Beech Science Center are the Honor Apartments. These one bedroom apartments, for two people, come with an electric range/oven and refrigerator, and one full bath. Students may bring couches and chairs to make their apartments as comfortable as they like. Honor Apartments are open during semester breaks and can be reserved for summer housing.

Honors residents are not required to purchase a meal plan.



WARREN APARTMENTS



Located on the southeast edge of the campus, Warren apartments are split-level apartments for up to 4 residents. Each apartment comes with 1 1/2 baths, an electric range, and a refrigerator/freezer. Beds, desks, and dressers are also provided but students may bring couches and chairs to furnish the rest of the apartment.

Meal plans are not required for Warren residents.

STUDENT WELLNESS

WELLNESS SERVICES

Our Wellness Coordinator, Mary Ann Smith is available to meet with students over the lunch hour, in the evenings and on weekends to help students with stress, relationship conflicts or other issues they may want to discuss. Mary Ann Smith works full time at DCCCA (Douglas County Citizen's Committee on Alcoholism) and contracts with Southwestern to help refer students to services. Her office is located at the top floor of Sutton Hall.

This service is provided to students at no cost, no insurance is required. Students can contact her for appointments by e-mailing her at MaryAnn.Smith@sckans.edu or by calling her at 620-222-4311.

All emergencies and referrals are handled by Four County Mental Health. Students can call them at 620-221-9664.

MENINGITIS

Meningococcal meningitis, is a rare but sometimes deadly disease that strikes college students. The disease spreads quickly and within hours of the first symptoms can cause organ failure, brain damage, amputations of limbs, or death. Parents and students should learn more about meningitis and consider immunization. Vaccination can prevent most cases of disease on college campuses.

Facts About Meningococcal Meningitis

Each year, the disease strikes about 2,500 Americans and 10 to 15% of them will die. Up to 20% of survivors have long-term disabilities, such as brain damage, hearing loss, or limb amputations. The disease can take one of two forms: swelling of the membranes that surround the brain and spinal cord, or a more deadly infection of the blood.

College Students at Special Risk

College students, particularly freshmen living in dormitories, have a higher risk of getting this contagious disease. Lifestyle factors common among college students seem to be linked to the disease. The disease is spread through air droplets and direct contact with someone who's infected. That includes: coughing, kissing, and sharing cigarettes, utensils, cups, or lip balm – anything an infected person touches with his or her mouth. Freshmen living in dormitories are up to six times more likely to get the disease than other people.

Be Alert: Early Flu-Like Symptoms

Meningococcal meningitis is often misdiagnosed because its early signs are much like those of the flu or migraines. Symptoms may include high fever, headache, stiff neck, confusion, nausea, vomiting, and exhaustion. Later, after the disease has taken hold, a rash may appear. If any of these symptoms are present and are unusually sudden and severe, contact a physician.

Consider Immunization

Immunization can prevent up to 80 percent of meningococcal meningitis cases in adolescents and young adults. Protection lasts approximately three to five years, the length of time most students are away at college.

SOUTHWESTERN IMMUNIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS

The College does not require vaccination records but does strongly recommend the following vaccinations:

- Covid vaccine
- Measles, mumps and rubella vaccinations.
- Primary series of tetanus-diphtheria and a booster shot within the last ten years.
- Primary series of polo immunizations.
- Meningitis (Menomonee or Menactra) immunization
- The College also strongly recommends that students are immunized against Tuberculosis, Hepatitis A and B as well as HPV (Gardasil or Cevarix).

WHAT TO BRING

As you prepare to move into the residence hall, here are some things you may want to bring:

- Linens** – (Extra-long twin sheets)
- Towels**
- Trash Can**
- Laundry Supplies**
- Desk Lamp** (Halogen lamps are not permitted)
- Cleaning Supplies (mop, broom, vacuum, bathroom cleaner, etc.)**

Discuss with your roommate, who might bring the following:

- Television**
- Microwave** (not more than 900 watts)
- Mini Fridge** (4.5 cubic feet or less)
- Shower Curtain**

Other items:

- Approved Appliances:** Coffee pots (with auto shut-off), crock pots/rice cooker, tea kettle, George Foreman Grill.
(All other appliances must be approved by the Director of Residence Life)
Limit combined electronic usage to 1000 watts per student at one time.
- Carpet:** *Special State of Kansas Fire Regulations:* Our students are allowed to bring carpet for their rooms except in any building where rooms are already carpeted (Warren). Usually a piece of carpeting 10' x 10' will work. Rugs cannot cover more than 50% of the floor space unless they are fire-proof (flame spread # no greater than 75, fire code class B).
- Extension Cords** (may not be longer than 6 ft and must be surge protected)
Extension cords can not be plugged into extension cords/surge protectors. Multi-outlet boxes are not allowed.

THINGS TO LEAVE AT HOME

Appliances (Instant pot, air fryer, toasters, toaster oven, hot plates, electric skillets, any appliance with a exposed heating element, etc.)

Candles/Incense/Candle Warmers (including Scentsy)

Halogen Lamps

Weapons (including paint Guns, air soft guns, bb guns, decorative swords or knives)

Fireworks or explosives of any kind

Electric Space Heater

Alcohol and Drugs

Extra Furniture

Pets– No furry pets or pets that must have a heat source (heat lamp or rock). All pets must receive advance permission from the director of residence life before bringing them on-campus.

For more information please contact the director of residence life at (800) 846-1543 ext.6392.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is alcohol allowed on the SC campus?

The possession of alcohol containers (regardless of contents) and the use or distribution of alcoholic beverages or illicit drugs by students or employees on the Southwestern College campus is strictly prohibited. If a student is caught with alcohol on campus, he/she will be documented and sanctioned appropriately.

I want a room to myself, what do I need to do?

All freshmen are required to have a roommate for their first semester. After the first semester, any student may request to live in a private room for double the cost. Because of space limitations there is no guarantee that a student will be able to receive a private room on request. To move out of your current room you need to first talk to your resident assistant or resident director.

Can housing staff enter my room/apartment without my consent? (room searches)

The director of residence life, housing staff, apartment manager, or security personnel have the right to enter any room in the residence hall when there is reason to believe that there is potential danger to a person or property or when a violation of policy has occurred. Students' rooms are also entered to conduct health and safety checks once a month.

I want to bring my own furniture; will Southwestern take their furniture out of my room before I get there?

When you arrive on campus you will find that your room is furnished with basic furniture - a bed, dresser, desk, and chair. Furniture storage is not available.

Can I move in early?

Unfortunately, no. Residence life staff is preparing to make your move-in exceptional. Due to time constraints, early check-in is not an option.

Help! I've lost my key.

When a room key is reported missing or is unaccounted for, we will replace the lock core to ensure your security and the safety of others. If you lose your key(s), for safety sake you must notify your RA or RD. You will be charged \$50/door for replacing a room door key and \$300 to replace an outdoor key.

How do I get mail?

You should receive this information when you arrive on campus. Upon moving into the residence halls your new mailing address will be:

Your Full Name
1820 Warren Ave #___ (mailbox number)
Winfield, Kansas 67156-2499

FAQ CONTINUED

Why was I billed for damages to my room?

If you accidentally or intentionally damage residence hall or apartment property, you will be expected to pay for the cost of repair or replacement. Charges for room damages are divided equally between roommates, unless one person accepts or is found responsible. Damages to public spaces in the halls or apartments can be divided equally among all residents, if no one person or group is found responsible.

I'm a smoker, can I smoke in the residence halls?

No smoking, vaping, or tobacco use (including chewing tobacco) is permitted inside any campus building, including the residence halls and apartments. Candles and incense, as well as anything else that has an open flame, are fire hazards and are not allowed.

Can I bring my pet cat, or dog, or hamster?

Sorry, students can not have furry pets on campus. Approval must be received in writing from the director of residence life for any pets. If a student is found in violation of this policy, they will be asked to remove the pet from the residence hall/apartment, and will be documented and sanctioned appropriately.

It's hot! It's cold! What can I do to the temperature in my residence hall room?

The heating and cooling systems in some of our residential facilities only provide heat OR air conditioning, and not both at the same time. A decision is made by the director of plant operations as to when the switch is made. Your patience is appreciated. Have any questions? Talk with your hall director.

May I have visitors overnight?

If you have prior permission from your hall director (and your roommate), you may have friends or family stay (who are over 18) the night with you in your room (for a maximum of 3 nights), if they are your gender.

GENERAL RESIDENCE POLICIES

In order for an atmosphere to be maintained that is conducive to a positive living environment for all residents and guests, it is necessary to follow certain rules and regulations. (Please refer to the Student Policy Manual at www.sckans.edu/policy web site for all rules and regulations).

Residents are responsible for reporting any violation of hall policy. Your room is a shared environment and you may be partially responsible for your roommate's actions as well. If you are **aware** of any violation, report to an RA/RD immediately upon discovery.

CARE OF ROOMS/RESIDENCE HALL/APARTMENTS: Any damage to a room, common area, or its furnishings will be assessed to the student responsible for the damage. Any damage outside the individual rooms, for which personal responsibility cannot be determined, may result in all residents of the residence hall being assessed equally. Students must leave their rooms in the condition in which they were found at the beginning of occupancy.

COMMUNITY KITCHENS: In halls that offer community kitchen, residents are expected to clean after cooking. If the kitchen is not cleaned the kitchen will be closed temporarily. Food or dirty dishes left in the kitchen will be thrown away.

DECORATIONS: Nothing should be hung from the ceiling, over sprinklers, or covering smoke detectors. Decorations featuring alcohol, drugs, or adult content must not be visible from outside the room. Road signs used as decorations are subject to judicial sanctions. Wallingford, Sutton, & Honors should use putty to hang items on walls. Cole, Reid, Broadhurst, and Warren residents should use small tacks (not nails) to prevent paint peeling and staining. In Cole 3M strips can be used on the cinderblock walls only. (Duct tape should not be used on any surfaces)

DRUG, ALCOHOL, & TOBACCO REGULATIONS

Southwestern College prohibits the possession, use, manufacturing and/or distribution of drugs or alcohol on campus. This includes storage of such items in vehicles parked on campus and the possession of paraphernalia designed for use with drugs.

All "Decorative" or empty alcohol containers are subject to judicial sanctions.

Smoking tobacco, using smokeless tobacco, or tobacco-less products (such as e-cigarettes or vape pens) is strictly prohibited in residence halls and apartments and is grounds for judicial sanctions.

FIRE ALARMS: Pulling a fire alarm without the threat of a real fire endangers resident safety and is punishable by Federal and State Law. If the fire alarm sounds students should assume that there is a real fire and evacuate the building. Failure to leave the building could result in a judicial sanction. Students are not allowed to reenter the building until an "all-clear" signal is given and the alarm is reset.

FURNITURE: The college will not store any furniture or personal items. Furniture and personal items cannot be placed in the hallways and any items in the hallways will be removed. Lobby furniture is for the entire hall, not personal rooms.

GUESTS: Guests must be escorted while in common areas.

Residents may only have overnight guests of same gender in their room or apartment.

Overnight guest arrangements must be made with the resident director. **Overnight guest may stay a maximum of three nights.**

Residents are responsible for their guests' behavior, and all policies apply to guests including family members. Guest must be over the age of 18. Babysitting is not permitted in residence halls and on campus apartments.

HALLWAYS/WINDOWS

No items should be placed in the hallway as it is considered a violation of fire code.

Shoes, trash, etc, should remain inside the room at all times.

Do not obstruct windows; do not attempt to exit room through windows. Do not place items on outside window ledges (Wallingford/Reid/Sutton)

Do not place bikes under stairwells or in hallways blocking fire escape routes.

PETS: All pets must be approved through the Director of Residence Life. No furry pet will be allowed.

PROHIBITED ITEMS:

Incendiary items such as candles (unless wick is cut, or unlit), candle warmers, incense, heat lamps, & space heaters are prohibited.

Kitchen appliances: hot plates, electric skillets, toasters, instantpots, airfryers, and toaster ovens are **only** allowed in Honor and Warren apartments

Dangerous items: knives in excess of 6 inches, decorative swords, guns (paintball, air soft, pellet, etc.), explosives, and fireworks

PROPPING DOORS: Outside doors should not be propped for any reason. You risk your safety and the safety of others. Propping an outside door is a serious issue and could result in a student conduct violation.

QUIET HOURS: An environment quiet and free from excessive noise is expected in residential buildings; accordingly, the following “quiet hours” are established: (note: 24 hour “quiet hours” are expected during final exam days)

Quiet hours are from 10:00pm -10:00am. During these hours students are expected to keep noise at a minimum.

In addition to quiet hours, the college enforces 24 hour courtesy hours. Students should remain respectful of others by limiting the volume of stereos, TVs, and voices so as not to disturb others.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT: Southwestern College prohibits sexual misconduct, stalking, dating violence, and domestic violence. Individuals who believe a Title IX sexual misconduct incident may have occurred on Southwestern’s campus or involving the Southwestern Community, should discuss their concerns and/or file a report with: Title IX Coordinator, Lonnie Boyd, 620-229-6136, lonnie.boyd@sckans.edu Assoc. VP of Student Life, Dan Falk, 620-229-6267, dan.falk@sckans.edu Asst. Dean of Students, Sarah Hallinan, 620-229-6392, sarah.hallinan@sckans.edu

TRASH: Room trash should be taken to the dumpster. Trash left in common areas may result in individual or community sanctions. Lobby trash cans are for walk-in trash ONLY not room trash.

VISITATION HOURS & QUIET HOURS:

*Hours remain the same over school/holiday breaks.

Warren, Reid, Sutton, Shriwise, Honors and Broadhurst have 24 hour visitation.

Visitation is allowed in Cole and Wallingford Halls’ by members of the opposite sex during the following hours:

In-Room Visitation Hours:

9:00 am – 12:00 am Sunday – Thursday
9:00 am – 2:00 am Friday & Saturday

Lobby Hours:

9:00am – 2am Sunday – Thursday
24 hours Friday & Saturday

**Housing Prices 2020-2021 Academic Year (per semester, per student)
(includes utilities, air conditioning, phone, Internet & cable TV)**

RESIDENCE HALL ROOMS (bedroom and adjoining bathroom)				
			<i>Double</i>	<i>Private</i>
Cole, Wallingford			\$2,000	\$4,000
Broadhurst and Sutton			\$1,900	\$2,500
STUDIO SUITES (private studio room with private bathroom)				
Reid Private Studio				\$4,000
1 & 2 BEDROOM SUITES (bedroom/s, living room, bath)				
	<i>Quad</i>	<i>Triple</i>	<i>Double</i>	<i>Private</i>
1 Bedroom Suites - Reid			\$2,975	\$5,930
2 Bedroom Suites - Reid	\$2,975	\$3,950		
1 & 2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS (bedroom/s, living room, bath/s, kitchen) meal plan optional				
	<i>Quad</i>	<i>Triple</i>	<i>Double</i>	<i>Private</i>
Honor 1 Bedroom Apt.			\$3,500	\$7,000
Warren 2 Bedroom Apt.	\$3,500	\$4,650		

DINING HALL

17 meals/week + \$50 Flex	\$2,250	Default
14 meals/week + \$75 Flex	\$2,080	
10 meals/week + \$550 Flex	\$2,250	Most Popular
7 meals/week + \$575 Flex	\$2,080	
Commuter/Apt. Plan: 10 meals/week + \$100 Flex	\$2,250	

MEAL PLAN OPTIONS

Southwestern College uses Fresh Ideas food service to provide meals for students, faculty and staff on campus.

Students who live in the residence halls are required to choose a meal plan. Residents who do not select a meal plan will be assigned the meal plan with the highest allotted of meal credits. Each meal plan has a different amount of meals allotted. Each time the student uses the cafeteria, the meal will be deducted from their weekly total.(10, 14, or 17 meals/week) The meal credits are only used in the cafeteria and only one meal credit can be used per meal period (If a guest is eating with you, you may use your flex dollars). Unused meals credits do not roll over to the next week.

The cafeteria offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner Monday through Friday and brunch Saturday and Sunday.

The Java Jinx snack bar offers made to order items including specialty sandwiches, salads, pizzas and snacks. The Stir and Bustle offers coffee, specialty drinks, and grab and go food items. The Java Jinx and Stir and Bustle use “flex dollars” and Declining Cash Balance (DCB). Flex dollars are included with the meal plan and is similar to debit card in that money will be seen as a declining balance. Flex dollars do not roll over from semester to semester. The Declining Cash Balance Program is additional money that can be added on your card. DCB money can be rolled over from fall to spring, but goes away at the end of the spring semester. Flex dollars and DCB can be used in the cafeteria in addition to meal credits, but the Java Jinx and Stir and Bustle only takes Flex and DCB.

Meal Plans		
17 meals/week + \$50 Flex	\$2,365	<i>Covers all Cafeteria meals</i>
14 meals/week + \$75 Flex	\$2,185	
10 meals/week + \$550 Flex	\$2,365	<i>Most Popular</i>
7 meals/week + \$575 Flex	\$2,185	
Commuters Plan (10 meals +\$100 Flex) (For commuters & Warren/Honors Apts.)	\$1,995	

PERSONAL PROPERTY INSURANCE

One important thing to consider when living on your own is protecting your valuables. Southwestern highly encourages students to carry appropriate personal property insurance. While we hope you never have to use it, insurance is important to have in case your property is damaged or stolen.

Please be aware that the Southwestern College is unable to cover damage to or theft of student property.

One company we recommend is National Student Services, Inc. Contact them for a free quote at www.nssi.com/individual-quote

NSI | **College Plus**

Why do students need college property insurance?

\$279 is the average cost for iPhone X cracked screen repair.

18-to-24-year-olds are the highest age group either to accidentally drop or spill liquid on their smartphone.

Schools & residential properties are the top places where laptops are stolen.

With College Plus, students can protect their electronic devices & personal property all-in-one policy!

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