

Bates

Office of Residence Life

Agreement Governing Off-Campus Living

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This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions under which the undersigned [Student] shall be permitted to opt out of residing in Bates College housing for the 2026-2027 academic year. By signing below, [Student] understands and agrees as follows:

1. [Student] hereby revokes their right to guaranteed on-campus housing, and represents that they will provide their own housing off-campus, for the 2026-2027 academic year.
2. [Student] will be ineligible to participate in the Spring Room Selection.
3. Although some on-campus housing may become available during the 2026-2027 academic year, students who have signed this contract are not guaranteed assignment to those spaces.
4. [Student] must maintain a current local street address, phone number, and student house representative with Student Affairs.
5. The rebate for the 2026-2027 academic year will not be less than the 2025-2026 academic year rebate which is \$5,540 (\$2,770 per semester) for housing and \$5,540 (\$2,770 per semester) for meals.
6. By signing this agreement, [Student] is not opting out of the Board Plan for the 2026-2027 academic year.
 - a. To opt out of the Board Plan, [Student] must notify the Office of Residence Life no later than 4:30 p.m. on the first Friday of classes in September 2026 or a late fee will be assessed. If [Student] provides the opt-out notice after the first Friday and before the second Friday of classes, at 4:30 p.m., the College will assess a fee of \$25.00 per day, which will apply whether or not [Student] ate in Commons on those days. [Student] may not opt out of the Board Plan after the second Friday of classes after 4:30 p.m. If [Student] opts out but then decides to return to the use of a Board Plan, [Student] may do so at any time and will be assessed the Board Plan rate for the entire semester.
 - b. If [Student] opts out of the Board Plan for the 2026-2027 academic year, the College will rebate to [Student] and issue the additional rebate amount listed in item number 5 above.
7. Rebates will show as credits on [Student]'s bill each semester.
8. [Student] will be at all times subject to community standards as outlined in the [Code of Student Conduct](#) and the [Equal Opportunity, Non-Discrimination, and Anti-Harassment Policy](#). [Student] also agrees to abide by the [Residence and Dining Regulations](#) while visiting peers in any on-campus residential spaces. Further, the College reserves the right to investigate and hold individuals accountable for potential violations of those community standards even when the behavior occurs off-campus.
9. [Student] will abide by all [College policies](#) relating to off-campus living. Failure to do so is grounds for revocation of the above-identified rebate, referral to the Office of Community Standards, or revocation of [Student]'s eligibility to live off-campus.

By signing this Agreement, [Student] represents that they understand and agree to comply with the policies regarding off-campus living as outlined above. Disciplinary records will be considered in determining a student's eligibility to live off-campus. Bates College may revoke off-campus status at any time.

Student Signature

Date