

Campus Connection



News for families of students in residence

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September is a month of adjustments for most students. For those in first year, Orientation Week alone can be exhausting - and then there are all the little details that come with moving to a new home and starting a new school year. They're experiencing a lot of change in their life!

Here's what you should know about Residence and the transition to university life:

A new community takes time to develop

Orientation Week is designed to help students get to know others in their new home - but the experience can be overwhelming, especially for those who may be shy or hesitant to reach out to others. [Our Residence Life team](#) - including live-in staff on each floor - works hard to connect with students and can offer both advice and a friendly ear when needed.

Classes can bring new expectations

University lectures may seem radically different to your student, especially if they have some large classes or need accommodations. [Student Academic Success Services](#) offers study tips, workshops and peer mentor programs throughout the year, and the [Learning Commons](#) provides adaptive technology services and resources. All students with disabilities requiring academic-related accommodations should be registered with [Queen's Student Accessibility Services](#).

Safety is important

After the initial 'togetherness' of Orientation Week, some students may feel anxious about getting out to classes and social activities on their own. There are a number of services available, including [SeQure](#), our safety app, the [AMS Walkhome Service](#) and our 'blue light' [intercom connections to Campus Security](#), which are scattered across campus.



Important Dates:

Sept. 12: Fall Term classes begin
August 23- September 23: add or drop a course
Sept. 30: Total student account balance due (fall term residence fees, Student Activity fees, UHIP)
Sept. 30: AMS opt-out period ends for [Student Activity fees](#) and [Health and Dental Coverage](#)

For details on other events visit: [Queen's Event Calendar](#)

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Looking For Parent Resources?

The [Queen's Parents Page](#) has information about important dates, deadlines and links to campus and Kingston resources – and don't forget to subscribe to [Campus Connection](#) for monthly updates!

Wondering About Your Student's Meal Plan?

Visit our Hospitality Services page for information about our [meal plan](#) and [dining hall menus](#). Does your student have a food allergy? Learn about our services for students with [food allergies](#).



Questions?

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