



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER  
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# Residence Guidebook and Community Standards



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## Land Acknowledgement

StFX espi-kina'matno'kuom etek Mi'kma'ki, wejkwa'taqanik Mi'kmaq maqamikewmew mna'q iknmuetu'tik. Nalikitquniejik na Mi'kmawey wisun wjit Antigonish teluek Aklasie'w-iktuk, 'place where branches are torn off.'

StFX is located in Mi'kma'ki, the unceded ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaw people. The Mi'kmaw name for Antigonish is Nalikitquniejik, meaning 'place where branches are torn off.'

The "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" cover this territory, which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) Peoples first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources but in fact, recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) titles and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations. "As staff members and students, let us take this time to reflect as a collective that we will work together in the reconciliation of past and current harms and injustices of the Indigenous peoples of our province."

## Commitment to Equity and Intersectionality

We take time as a Xaverian community to reflect on our ongoing work and commitment to fostering inclusivity and culturally component community.

The Department of Residence Life acknowledges the importance of equity for all Indigenous, Black Nova Scotians and their contributions over the last 400 years, newcomers & immigrants, members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, persons of color, neurodivergent individuals and persons with different abilities in not only our province but in our lives, workplaces, and residences; that we ensure we continue to make space for their voices and contributions to be heard, acknowledged and valued as we continue to motivate our diversity, equity, and inclusion and accessibility work from intention to impact while recognizing we are all treaty people. As students and leaders, we encourage you to take time to build and maintain a community with inclusivity and cultural awareness at the forefront.

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## Welcome to Residence!

Dear Students,

Welcome to Residence Life at St. Francis Xavier University! We are thrilled to have you join our vibrant community for the 2025-2026 academic year.

As your Manager, Residences I am committed to ensuring your experience is positive, engaging, and memorable. Our dedicated staff, including your Residence Life Coordinators, Senior Community Advisors (SCA), Community Advisors (CAs), and Manager, University Housing are here to support you throughout your stay.

Living in residence offers a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a diverse and inclusive community. Whether a first-year student or a returning resident, you can meet new people, participate in exciting events and activities, and create lasting memories.

We aim to create a safe and welcoming environment where you can thrive academically, socially, and personally. We encourage you to take advantage of the many resources and services available.

As we embark on this new academic year together, I invite you to embrace the spirit of community, respect, and collaboration that defines residence life at StFX. I look forward to getting to know each of you and witnessing the positive impact you will undoubtedly have on our community.

Welcome, and best wishes for a successful year ahead!

Sincerely,

Brandon Randall  
Manager, Residences

## What it means to be Xaverian?

The Xaverian journey looks different for every student, but we all understand what it means to be Xaverian. Being Xaverian is an **action**. It is a commitment to caring about our community and working daily to improve it and ourselves. It is an understanding that, as a community, we embrace and live by the rights and responsibilities identified below:

**Belonging:** means being part of and making others feel part of a community. Here, we are seen, valued, and, without exception, belong.

**Resilience:** We grow most profoundly through adversity. Here, we support each other when faced with challenges, stress, or hardship.

**Courage:** Lead and always speak up for what is right. Courage is leading by example so that others can follow.

**Respect:** We value the dignity, feelings, wishes, rights, beliefs, boundaries, and traditions of others. We all deserve it.

**Learning:** We are open-minded, educating ourselves about the cultures surrounding us, seeking to understand perspectives other than our own, and reflecting on and growing from the ideas and experiences we encounter inside and outside the classroom.

**Flourishing:** We build on our strengths to develop optimal physical and mental health, happiness, social connections, meaning, purpose, and overall well-being.

**Community:** We are people responsible for and accountable to each other. Respect for self and others is central to being a healthy and engaged community member.

### X Starts Here Modules

All new students, including transfer students are required to complete the X Starts Here modules. They are designed to help you feel prepared for the transition to StFX and introduce you to the Xaverian values we hold dear on our campus.

Please scan the QR code to access Kwe' and look for X Starts Here 2025.



## Your Residence Life Team

### Residence Life Coordinators (RLCs)

RLCs are full-time live-in professionals dedicated to one or two residence communities. Your RLC is your go-to first point of contact for anything you need. They are trained in many different areas, including crisis response, mental health first-aid, suicide intervention, conflict resolution, and mediation, and serve as support for you during your stay in residence. RLCs guide the community and address any issues that come up. They can connect you with the best resources to support your personal and academic wellbeing. If you need to contact your RLC, email them individually or by contacting [rlcs@stfx.ca](mailto:rlcs@stfx.ca) before arriving on campus. There is always an RLC on call, 24 hours a day that can be reached in emergencies by calling Safety and Security at 902-867-4444.

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### Senior Community Advisor (SCA)

Each building has an SCA. The SCA is an experienced team member who takes on additional leadership responsibilities within the building, including Chairing the Residence Council. While CAs usually look after just one floor, the SCA provides guidance and leadership for all of the CAs and Residence Council.

### Community Advisors (CA)

CAs are student leaders who live with you in your residence. Their role is to help build a strong community through hosting events and activities and promoting a safe

environment where all belong. CAs are specifically trained to help you transition to residence life and are a great point of contact if you have questions about your residence, StFX in general or need advice. Your CA can direct you to any staff or service you may need.

## Get To Know Your Academic Calendar

It is not really a calendar – it is a catalogue of courses and important academic regulations. Each year, an academic calendar is published that includes essential information about your program, academic processes, and important dates. The calendar relevant to you is from the year you started university. Please scan the QR code to access your academic calendar.



## How the Housing Office Can Assist You

We are here to help you with any housing-related needs you may have. Please do not hesitate to reach out for support! Justine will be more than happy to help and direct you for the following services:



- Maintenance requests and repairs
- Housing Contract questions and clarifications
- Meal plans
- Residence applications for next year

If you need assistance from the Housing Office, you can visit the office located in Morrison Hall on weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or contact Justine Gillis by email or phone.

Justine Gillis, University Housing Administrative Assistant [residence@stfx.ca](mailto:residence@stfx.ca), (902)-867- 5106

## Diversity Engagement Centre

We are committed to promoting Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Accessibility within our residence and across campus. We aim to create vibrant and welcoming spaces enriched by diversity and inclusivity for all students.



Our campus and residence buildings are located on Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. Kiknu, "Our Home," is central to our values, which houses StFX's Indigenous Student Centre. Kiknu offers a welcoming and supportive environment for Indigenous students, promoting peer mentoring and learning, and embodies the spirit of friendship in our journey toward truth and reconciliation.

We collaborate with the Diversity Engagement Centre (DEC) and Campus Chaplain. The DEC is a space that celebrates and respects the diversity of our student body. It's

a place where all students are welcome to study, socialize, and access resources. From hosting events such as Pride and African Heritage Month to providing support through advisors, the DEC is committed to making every student feel valued and respected for their unique identity.

If you have questions or need support regarding diversity and inclusivity or cultural or spiritual practices, don't hesitate to get in touch with us or speak with our Diversity Engagement Advisors or Chaplain. We are committed to fostering a community where everyone feels valued, respected, and included.

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## Your Campus Resources – MyStFX

StFX offers excellent services to enrich and support its students' academic and personal well-being. Below are just a few of the resources STFX Offers:

- StFX Health and Counselling Centre
- Human Rights and Equity
- Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response
- Trumble Centre for Accessible Learning
- Student Career Centre
- Chaplaincy
- Wellspring
- International Student Support
- Diversity Engagement Centre
- And more!





## Packing for Residence – Here are a few helpful tips...

As you prepare to move into your residence room, consider what you'll need to help you feel comfortable and settled. To help you get started, we've compiled a list of recommendations from past students.

### What to Bring:

- **Backpack and other required school supplies.**
- **Bedding:** Double-check bed type in the assigned room. Recommended: linens, pillows, mattress pads, twin/double sheets, and comforter sets.
- **Cell phone and charger.**
- **Clothing hangers.**
- **Cold, flu, and pain relief medicine, thermometer,** current prescription medications, and written prescription refills from your doctor.
- **Computer/Laptop, charger, network cables, and a power bar (CSA approved).**
- **Ear plugs** if you are a light sleeper.
- **Flip flops** for showers.
- **General room cleaning supplies:** spray, broom, disinfecting wipes, bathroom cleaner (suite style).
- **Government-issued photo ID.**
- **Seasonal outerwear and rain gear,** including waterproof shoes or boots and warm clothes for the winter.
- **Slippers and housecoats.**
- **Toiletries & toiletry bag:** toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap/body wash.
- **Laundry basket** (can be purchased when you arrive).
- **High-efficiency laundry detergent and laundry basket** (Note: regular laundry detergent clogs the machines. Please bring detergent for high-efficiency machines).

Additionally, please take note of the list of items that are prohibited in our community environment. A Housing or Residence Life team member will address items prohibited in residence, which may result in confiscation.

### Prohibited Items:

- **Animals/pets** (Fish in a small fishbowl are permitted).
- **Bongs.**
- **Brewing/distilling equipment or apparatus,** home grow kits, or cannabis plants.
- **Candles, lanterns, incense,** and other flammable or combustible materials or sources of open flame.
- **Cannabis or alcohol** of any kind for residents under 19 years old; large quantities of alcohol (refer to Alcohol in Residence section for quantity limits).

- **Devices that amplify noise**, including but not limited to large speakers, guitar or bass amps, or sub-woofers.
- **Drinking game paraphernalia**, including but not limited to Beer Pong tables, funnels, and other speed-drinking devices.
- **Electric heaters** or any radiant heaters.
- **Explosive devices**, propane canisters, gel burners, flammable liquids, fireworks, or other hazardous substances.
- **Hooks or nails** (residents may only use 'paint-friendly' adhesives, e.g., sticky tack).
- **Glassware** (Beer bottles, bongos, and other fragile containers that could break easily).
- **Halogen light bulbs** (known for producing high heat, which can lead to fires).
- **Illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia** (including ashtrays).
- **Items with an open heating element** (Examples: hot plates, toasters, toaster ovens, electric frying pans, deep fryers, grills, etc. Air fryers are acceptable if used in the kitchen space and not in your room).
- **LED strip lights** with factory self-adhesive (they take the paint off); if you use approved adhesive hangers, they are acceptable.
- **Non-university furniture** (Due to pest control and prevention of bed bugs, fleas, and lice).
- **Older electric extension bars/cords** that do not have surge protectors.
- **Weapons** (including but not limited to firearms, BB guns, air pistols/rifles, pellet guns, paint guns, ammunition, hunting/exotic knives, multi-tools, Swiss army knives, swords, archery equipment, target pistols, machetes, etc.), replica weapons, or toy weapons.

**Staff will remove any of these items discovered during the year.**

## Your Residence Contract

By accepting your room assignment, you agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the residence contract.

The Residence Contract is **your lease agreement to live in a university residence on campus**. The contract is an agreement between the landlord (University Housing) and the tenant (you). The Residence Contract outlines each party's expectations, limitations, and responsibilities.

We strongly encourage you to review your Residence Contract in detail after arriving. There is much information to absorb, so you should remind yourself of the expectations and what you are accountable for while living in residence. Please scan the QR to find a copy of your Residence Contract.



*NOTE: "Damages, theft and loss in a common area which cannot be identified as the responsibility of specific individuals will be the responsibility of the residents living in the residence section, house, staircase, or floor in which the damage, theft*

*and loss occurred. The cost for repairing damage to common areas or replacing University property stolen or lost from common areas will be prorated among Residents living in the residence section, house, staircase, or floor where the damage, theft and loss occurred."*

If you notice any damage, please report it to a CA or RLC.

## Residence Room Right of Entry

Section 10 of your Residence Contract acknowledges that University staff may enter your room throughout the year for repairs and maintenance or if there is a concern for health, safety, or well-being. The University may also enter a room if there is a suspicion of activity that violates the Residence Standards, Code of Conduct, or any other University policy. When possible, the student will be notified in advance; however, University staff have the right to enter a room without notice. Housing and Residence Life staff conduct routine inspections at least once per term.

## Residence Amenities & Services

### Mail

All students living in residence are assigned a mailbox, which is located on the first floor of the Bloomfield Centre. Mail is delivered by Canada Post to the University daily. Please note that mailboxes are shared. If you are looking to have something mailed or shipped to you in residence, please use the address below:

#### **STUDENT NAME**

**5555 Union Place, StFX University**

**Antigonish, NS**

**B2G2W5**

Are you looking to send mail? A mail drop is located at the post office counter on the first floor of the Bloomfield Centre. All mailing can be done at this station, which also sells stamps. Envelopes can be purchased at the bookstore across from the post office.

### Laundry Facilities

Laundry facilities are provided in each residence for your convenience. Each residence student is charged a flat fee of \$150.00 for laundry, which gives you unlimited access to the machines in your building, so there is no need to worry about laundry cards or spare change! A couple of tips...

- Use a high-efficiency (HE) detergent. It's more concentrated, so you use less.
- Don't overload these machines, as that may cause damage that prevents other students from using them. Please treat these facilities with respect.
- If you notice a machine is not functioning properly, let your residence life staff know or email Facilities Management at [fm@stfx.ca](mailto:fm@stfx.ca)

- Not sure how to do laundry? Connect with your residence life staff, and they'll show you.

## Shared Spaces: Social Lounges & Study Spaces in Residence

Every residence building has communal spaces that students are welcome to use anytime. The features vary depending on the building type.

### *Respecting Your Common Spaces and Laundry Facilities*

Please respect our shared spaces and laundry facilities in the residence. These shared areas are essential for creating a comfortable and enjoyable living environment for all residents.

Helpful tips:

Common Spaces Etiquette	Laundry Facility Etiquette
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clean up after using common areas like lounges, kitchens, and study areas.</li> <li>• Wash dishes and utensils immediately after use and put them away in their proper places.</li> <li>• Dispose trash and recyclables in the designated bins.</li> <li>• Keep the areas tidy and organized for the next person to use.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use the laundry facilities during non-peak hours to avoid long waiting times.</li> <li>• Remove your laundry promptly after the cycle is complete to free up the machines for others.</li> <li>• Fold or hang your laundry promptly to allow others to use the folding spaces.</li> <li>• You are prohibited from removing others' clothing, and do not take items that are not yours.</li> </ul>

## Residence Storage

Each residence has a storage room during the academic year. These rooms are available to students to store large items such as suitcases, hockey equipment, bins, etc. If you choose to use one of these rooms, know that the University is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Storage rooms are always locked. If you need access to one, ask your CA. At the end of the academic year, all storage rooms in the residence must be left vacant. Any items left behind will be discarded or donated to charity.

## Overnight Parking

- Students living in residence may purchase an overnight permit for the year.
- Students with overnight permits *do not need to purchase an additional daytime permit.*

- Overnight parking permits can be picked up at the Charles V. Keating Centre Box Office. Students will be asked for their ID to match the data in the system.
- If you have any questions, please reach out to [boxoffice@stfx.ca](mailto:boxoffice@stfx.ca) or scan the QR Code.



## Liability Insurance for Residents (Tenants Insurance)

St. Francis Xavier University is pleased to offer property and liability insurance for students. This insurance will be included in your residence fees, covering your personal belongings and protecting you against loss or damage you may be liable for. For students who maintain their insurance throughout their residency, the coverage provided by this program is primary, and any personal policy will sit in excess.

### Coverage

The following insurance coverages are provided while living in residence:

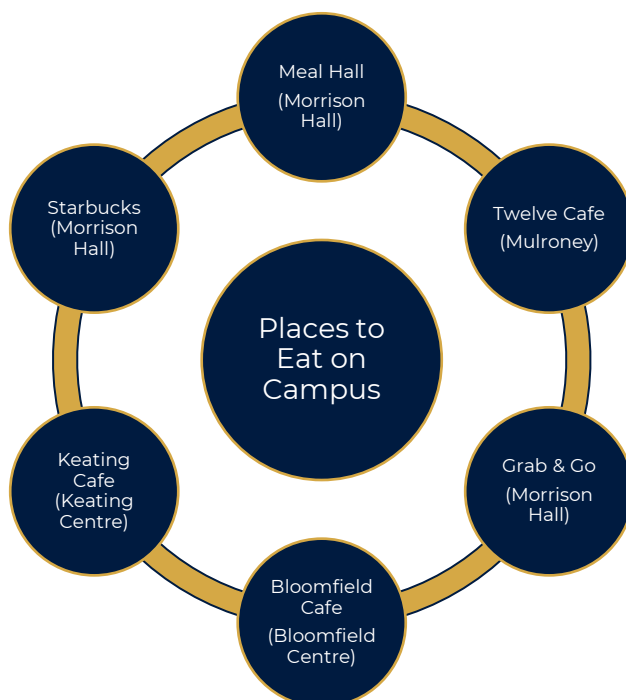
<p><b>\$10,000</b></p> <p><b>Contents Coverage</b></p> <p>Each student will be provided with coverage to protect your personal belongings up to \$10,000 — subject to a \$500 deductible. The policy provides coverage for all risks of loss or damage subject to exclusions.<sup>1</sup> Claims will be settled on a “replacement cost” basis (without deduction for depreciation).</p>	<p><b>\$1,000,000</b></p> <p><b>Personal Liability Coverage</b></p> <p>If a student is found to be responsible for causing accidental damage to university property or another student’s property (for example, if a student accidentally started a fire in their room) or accidental bodily injury to another person, the policy will respond up to \$1,000,000 to pay legal expenses and compensatory damages for which they are found to be legally liable.</p>	<p><b>\$2,500</b></p> <p><b>Additional Living Expenses</b></p> <p>If as a consequence of an insured loss the student’s residence is unfit for occupancy, the policy will pay the increased expenses (up to \$2,500) incurred by the student to obtain temporary housing.<sup>2</sup> For example, if a student moves to a hotel for a few days while their room is being repaired, hotel costs including meals would be covered.</p>
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Under this program, the university purchases a master policy that provides insurance coverage for all students living in residence. Students will receive a Certificate of Insurance in their name outlining the coverages provided by the policy. They will be provided with a website address to access the policy wording. Certificates will be issued to students within 60 days of the start of the semester when the student first joins a Residence.

If students move to a different StFX residence, this insurance will be transferred accordingly. The necessary updates to the insurer will be handled through Residence Services via regular reporting. However, if students decide to leave StFX Residence for any reason, this insurance coverage will immediately stop and will not continue with them. Upon leaving university residence, students will be responsible for obtaining their insurance policy. Please note that no confirmation documentation will be provided to students to confirm the termination of insurance coverage. Always lock your door when you leave your room to ensure that your valuable items and clothing are secured safely.

## Campus Food Services

At StFX Campus Food Services, we don't just settle for good food; we strive for greatness in every bite! Our expert chefs, who are certified and trained, craft mouth-watering meals that will tantalize your taste buds. Plus, with mobile ordering, you can satisfy your cravings with just a few finger taps! We source fresh produce from local vendors, ensuring you get the best quality and taste. And we don't stop there - we are constantly looking for the newest and most innovative ideas to bring to your plate! We are here to create your home away from home; please do not hesitate to contact us with any inquiries on how to get the most out of your dining experience on campus.



### Getting Connected to Your Food

**Too Good To Go** - Too Good To Go is a service with a mobile app that connects customers with their local food service establishments that have surplus unsold food. The app allows customers to buy and collect surprise bags of food - at 1/3 of the original price - directly from the food service establishment. This amazing service is now available with Sodexo Campus Food at StFX at Bloomfield Cafe, Twelve Cafe and Keating Café.

**Enviromug** - To help reduce our carbon footprint we are committed to sustainable initiatives to help reduce waste. This program encourages customers to bring their own reusable mug for their beverages at all of our locations to save 0.25 cents off your coffee or tea purchase when you bring your own reusable mug to Bloomfield Cafe, Twelve Cafe, Keating Cafe and 0.10 cents off from Starbucks.

## Registered Dietitian Services

At StFX, we believe healthy eating should be accessible and enjoyable for everyone. That's why our dining program offers mouth-watering meals and FREE access to our fantastic Dietitian services for all students. Whether you want to chat about tasty nutrition tips, navigate food allergies, get creative with dietary restrictions, manage chronic conditions, or achieve your weight goals, our Dietitian is here to help. Dietitian support is provided directly to the individual who requires it and cannot be arranged via a third party. Please fill out our online allergy form using the QR code if you need dietary support.



## Meal Plans

Get excited because we've meal plans and swipes for all types of appetites to ensure your nutrition needs are met, right up to foodie specialties. Whether you're an on or off-campus student, faculty, or staff member, we've got you covered with various delicious options. And the best part? You can buy these packages multiple times throughout the semester, so you'll never have to go hungry!

Residence	Meal Plan	Plus Tax	No Tax
Bishops/Cameron/MacKinnon/MacIsaac/MSB	350 Meals per Year + \$400 DCB	-	\$6,320
	415 Meals per Year + \$400 DCB	-	\$6,470
	Unlimited Meals per Year + \$400 DCB	-	\$6,870
Riley	175 Meals per Year + \$600 DCB	\$4,180	-
Governors/Oregon	\$1,025 DCB	-	\$1,000
Somers / Powers	\$1,025 DCB	-	\$1,000

## Guest passes

Guest passes are additional meal swipes in your block meal plan for friends or family members at our campus dining hall, Morrison Hall! Personal meal swipes are nontransferable.

## Living with a Roommate

Adapting to life with roommates can be one of the best and most challenging aspects of living in residence!

Have you completed a Roommate agreement? Roommate agreements are forms designed to guide you and your roommate(s) through many topics that will likely arise as you live together and cause problems or tensions if you need to be on the same page.

Taking the time to sit down and discuss things early on will prevent future problems before they start, help break the ice and set the tone for more accessible and productive communication and problem-solving going forward.

### **Create a roommate agreement within the first few weeks.**

- University Housing considers lifestyle preferences when assigning roommates; however, we recommend completing a roommate agreement at the beginning of the academic year to help establish good lines of communication between yourself and your new roommate. Want help facilitating your roommate agreement? Connect with your CA, who is trained in facilitating conversations like this.
- In preparation for a roommate agreement, consider your preferred study patterns, sleeping habits, cleanliness, willingness to share any property or belongings, and expectations of your roommate regarding social etiquette or guests.
- Remember that you both have needs and expectations. Be open to their needs and compromise where you can. This is a two-way agreement.

### **Please get to know your roommate & talk it out.**

- Communicate expectations and boundaries by talking with them about what you each need and want. Knowing and respecting these things about one another is vital. Your CAs are great at helping with this kind of conversation.
- Grab a meal at Meal Hall or the Bloomfield Café together.
- Attend residence and campus programs.
- Please stay up to date on all the latest by connecting with your CA.
- Following us on social media.
- Explore our beautiful campus and surrounding areas with each other.
- Discuss these subjects with your roommate to help manage concerns that may arise later:
  - Belongings
  - Security
  - Substances
  - Values
  - Sleep
  - Expectations
  - Understanding
  - Noise
  - Cleanliness
  - Guests
  - Communication
  - Study
  - Safety
  - Boundaries
  - Conflict
  - Agreement





## Move Out

What's that saying? All good things must come to an end. It's unfortunately true that as exams wrap up in both December and April, we start to say goodbye to students for winter break and summer break. **Before making any travel arrangements, please check your exam schedules, as students must vacate their residence room within 24 hours of their last in-person exam.** Each year, the Office of the Registrar publishes a calendar of events where exact dates and exam schedules will be posted. For the most up-to-date calendar of events, please scan the QR code:



### December Winter Break

Residence is closed after the last exam time in December until the day before classes in January. You are required to vacate your residence, but you can leave your belongings in the room. Should you wish to stay on campus over the winter closure, you can contact Housing at [residence@stfx.ca](mailto:residence@stfx.ca) to book your stay at your expense.

**The December exam schedule will be posted on September 29, 2025.**

### April Check Out

You must vacate your residence room within 24 hours after your last in-person exam. You must leave the residence room in the same condition as it was upon your move-in. Before departing, you must meet with your CA to inspect the room and fill out the checkout form that notes the room's condition. Any damage or excessive cleaning needed for your room will be charged to your student account in May. –

**The April exam schedule will be posted on Friday, January 30, 2026.**

## Get Involved

The opportunities to get involved at StFX are endless. We have highlighted a few of these opportunities specific to residences below:

### Residence Council

Are you looking to develop yourself as a student leader and learn critical skills in event planning, time management, budgeting, marketing, and promotions? The Residence Council might be for you!

Every residence building has a Residence Council, which is selected at the beginning of each academic year. Residence Councils are students living in the building who take on themed roles (e.g., Community Engagement Organizer, Intramurals rep, Charity rep, Finance rep, etc.).

The Residence Council is responsible for planning residence activities and getting the building involved in more significant campus-wide events such as Homecoming spirit competitions, charity events, hikes, coffee Residences, day trips to Halifax, town clean-ups, Dodgeball tournaments, Bloomfield Hub, etc.

Residence Councils are also a conduit for giving feedback on the residence, programming, facilities, and the overall experience.

**If you want to enhance your residence experience, gain valuable skillsets, and contribute to your peers' residence experience, look for Residence Council applications in early September and talk to your SCA.**

### **Programming and Events**

Social events and activities hosted by residence life staff majorly contribute to the residence life experience StFX is known for. Through these programs, residents are supported throughout their university transition and provided opportunities to form social connections with their peers, grow as individuals and a community, and develop critical skills and abilities. Events are happening all the time on campus and in your residence.

Follow your residence on Instagram for important information on social programs and more. Visit the @stfxstudentlife Instagram page to know what is also happening across campus.

### **Your Student Email & Technology Set-Up**

If you need access to your email or are experiencing other computer-related or telephone problems, contact IT Services at 902-867-2356 or [itservices@stfx.ca](mailto:itservices@stfx.ca).



### **Residence Standards & University Policies**

This section details the responsibilities and expectations of all residents as well as what happens when a resident makes a mistake, intentionally or not. We believe that residence is a place of learning. We acknowledge that you will make mistakes – that is part of life. What you learn from your mistakes is how you grow and develop as a Xaverian and citizen of your communities.

Student health and safety are our priority, and any resident needing medical support and assistance can contact Residence Staff to access services for themselves or others.

At StFX, students living in residence or off campus must follow Canadian law and the StFX Community Code of Conduct. Serious incidents or repeated offences may be referred to the Manager of Restorative Practices and Student Conduct for review and possible investigation.

- [StFX Community Code of Conduct](#)

In addition, the following StFX policies apply to all students living in residence or off campus:

- Alcohol Policy
- Hazing Policy
- StFX Information Technology Acceptable Use Policy
- Harassment and Discrimination Policy
- Sexual Violence Response Policy



All policies can be found on the StFX website under University Policies and Procedures (see the QR code to the right).

The list of Residence Standards below is not exhaustive.

Illegal activity or other behaviour that warrants RCMP involvement could include the potential outcome of university suspension under the StFX Community Code of Conduct.

If you witness a violation of the Residence Standards or StFX Community Code of Conduct on campus as an active bystander, please notify security at [security@stfx.ca](mailto:security@stfx.ca) or call (902)-867-4444 or any university staff member.

Standard	Description
<b>Breach of the Residence Contract</b>	Accepting your residence building and room assignment, you agree to the terms and conditions outlined in your <a href="#">Housing Contract</a> .
<b>Cleanliness &amp; Garbage Removal</b>	Students are responsible for keeping their assigned rooms and shared spaces (such as lounges, kitchens, common washrooms, and hallways) clean after use.  Keep your room neat, stay on top of cleaning, throw away spoiled food items in your fridge, and wash your dishes, pots and pans when you use them in shared kitchens and then in your room.
<b>Damage &amp; Vandalism</b>	Damage or vandalism can include but is not limited to: 1. Misappropriation, destruction, or damage of university property or resources. 2. Misappropriation, destruction, or damage of others' property in Residence (in residence rooms, bathrooms, lounges); or 3. Defacement or "graffiti" of any university facility, fixtures, building, or property, including walls indoors or outdoors, bathroom stalls, walkways, etc.  Examples of damages in Residence may include holes in the walls, removing parts of windows or screens, putting holes in

	the wall to hang items in a residence room (like curtains, or frames), or writing on any university facility wall or fixture.
<b>Disrespectful, Bullying, or Intimidating Behavior</b>	<p>All students have the right to live and study in a respectful community free from bullying and intimidation. This includes in all forms of communication in person or electronically (example - social media) in either a direct or indirect manner. Students are expected to treat all StFX staff with respect at all times, this includes student staff.</p> <p>Formal complaints about bullying or intimidation can be made through the <a href="#">Harassment and Discrimination Policy</a>. Residence Life will consult with the Director of Human Rights and Equity to determine if the behaviour requires a formal investigation.</p>
<b>Fire Safety</b>	<p>Fire safety is regulated at the provincial level, and violations of fire safety standards may result in fines. Examples of fire safety set fines are on page 30.</p> <p>Activities causing or creating an open flame in the Residence, fireworks, or exposed heating elements are prohibited. Tampering with any fire safety equipment may result in fines, including triggering a fire extinguisher, damaging exit signs, hindering safe passage in the hallways and stairwells, failing to evacuate during a fire alarm or drill, and turning off a smoke detector.</p>
<b>Standard</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Guest Policy</b>	<p>Residents may host up to two guests at a time. These guests must be signed in through <a href="#">eRezlife</a>.</p> <p>The resident hosting any guests, whether staying for a short time or overnight, is responsible for their guest's behaviour during their stay. We recommend that you always stay with your stay guest during their visit.</p> <p>No guests or limited guests will be in Residence on high-impact event dates such as Homecoming, St. Patrick's Day, and Welcome Week.</p> <p>For more information, please see the guest policy on page 29.</p>

<b>Harmful Language</b>	<p>The goal of the university is to eliminate harmful language, including racist, violent, and biased (e.g., disability bias, ethnic bias, ethnic slurs, gender bias, implicit bias, and sexual bias) language on campus.</p> <p>Please be aware of the music you play while in your Residence room may contain derogatory slang and harmful language and be conscious of the words you use in your room, as others can hear. This language is not appropriate for shared living spaces like residence. Please use earbuds and maybe don't sing in the shower!</p>
<b>Hazing</b>	<p>"Hazing" means any action taken or situation created to initiate or affiliate with any University organization or team, with or without the individual's consent, that jeopardizes the individual's physical or mental well-being. Incidents of hazing are subject to review under the Code of Conduct.</p>
<b>Misuse of Alcohol &amp; Other substances</b>	<p>Misuse includes underage drinking, excessive consumption requiring campus resources to respond, public drinking (e.g. outside on campus grounds), and drinking games. For more details, refer to Alcohol in Residence on page 24.</p>
<b>Misuse of Residence Space, &amp; or Access Cards</b>	<p>Not only is it trespassing, if you are found in Residence space that is not assigned to you and damages take place, you may be found responsible for the costs of any damages and/or additional cleaning. Please be aware of the following expectations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only possess or use an access card of your own.</li> <li>• Respect your roommates and other residents' privacy by not entering their rooms or disturbing their property.</li> </ul>
<b>Standard</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Always remember to lock your room when you are not inside.</li> <li>• Tampering with locks on doors or windows to gain or provide access, including propping doors open is not permitted.</li> <li>• Refrain from entering prohibited spaces such as electrical rooms, custodial rooms, rooftops, and other administrative areas.</li> </ul>
<b>Moving University Furniture</b>	<p>All university furniture, including lounge and room furniture, can <b>only</b> be moved, or removed with authorization from a University Housing and Residence Life representative.</p>

<b>Noise</b>	<p>Residents must maintain reasonable noise levels to minimize disturbances to others. Noise (including music) <b>should not be loud enough to interrupt a normal conversation</b>. Speakers are not permitted in hallways or bathrooms. During quiet hours, sound should not exceed a level that penetrates the walls, floors, ceilings, or doorways into another room in residence.</p> <p>Quiet hours are from:  <b>11:00 pm to 8:00 am Sunday through Thursday</b>  and from  <b>1:00 am to 8:00 am Friday through Saturday</b></p>
<b>Non-cooperation with University Officials</b>	<p>Students living in residence, and their guests are expected to follow the direction of StFX staff members including RLCs, SCAs, CAs, X Patrol members, and Safety and Security officers. Cooperation is crucial to maintaining a safe and inclusive environment.</p> <p>Student leaders acting as University Officials (CAs, XPatrol) are students and members of your community, too!</p>
<b>Offensive Material</b>	<p>All students must respect the rights of others by refraining from having or posting offensive material or derogatory signs that could reasonably be considered offensive, such as derogatory slang, profanity, nudity, etc. Any posters in residence must be approved by the building's RLC.</p>
<b>Pranks &amp; Boisterous Behavior</b>	<p>Boisterous behaviour is disruptive and has the potential to harm others or property. Physical activities (sports or outdoor games) that typically happen outside are prohibited indoors in Residence. Pranks have the potential to harm students and staff members and can cause damage and additional cleaning.</p>
<b>Standard</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Prohibited Items</b>	<p>Students should not possess or use prohibited items in residence. Please do not bring these items to Residence upon move-in or throughout the Academic year. For a complete list of prohibited items in residence, please see the list on page 9.</p>
<b>Smoking &amp; Vaping</b>	<p>Smoking or vaping tobacco or cannabis products inside the residence is strictly prohibited by law. Please note that smoking or vaping can result in a fine on the first offence, and removal from residence for subsequent incidents.</p>

<b>Soliciting, Advertising, or unapproved signage</b>	Soliciting, whether for-profit or not, is only allowed in the residence if it has been approved by University Housing and Residence Life. Examples of soliciting would include but are not limited to, the sale of goods and services within the residence. The RLC or Manager of Residence must approve any signage or posters; unapproved posters/ads will be removed.
<b>Theft</b>	This is defined as possessing or using university property or another person's property without appropriate consent or authority. Theft is outlined in more detail in the <a href="#">StFX Community Code of Conduct</a> .
<b>Unsafe Gatherings</b>	Residents are prohibited from hosting, participating in, or advertising an organized, spontaneous, disruptive or unsafe gathering in their residence. A gathering is deemed unsafe when all the following are true: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. More than 8 people are in a residence room, more than 16 in a lounge, or the space is overcrowded.</li> <li>2. Alcohol is present.</li> <li>3. Noise levels are excessive (can be heard more than two doors down)</li> </ol>
<b>Unwanted Scents</b>	All students have the right to live in a comfortable and safe environment. Students must reduce their impact on others by maintaining cleanliness and refraining from using products or items with strong scents. Please see <a href="https://www.stfx.ca/occupational-health-and-safety/scent-awareness/scent-awareness-faqs">https://www.stfx.ca/occupational-health-and-safety/scent-awareness/scent-awareness-faqs</a> .

## Alcohol in Residence

The legal drinking age in the province of Nova Scotia is 19. We promote Canada's Guidance on Alcohol and Health and discourage high-risk activities related to alcohol. These guidelines reinforce laws regarding alcohol consumption and ultimately ensure the safety of our students and their guests. StFX is committed to fostering a campus culture of healthy, responsible, and low risk drinking habits among students.

## Responsibilities:

- **Individual Responsibility:** Responsible alcohol consumption is an individual responsibility. Students should know and follow University and residence policies, as well as local and provincial laws about alcohol.
- **Behavioral Expectations:** We are all responsible for our actions, including when under the influence of alcohol which is known to lower inhibitions and impair judgement. Alcohol isn't an excuse for harmful behavior. Actions that violate community standards can lead to appropriate outcomes.

## Standards:

- **Age Restrictions:** Buying or giving alcohol to anyone under 19 is illegal. Selling alcohol to anyone, regardless of age, is also against the law and violates university policies.
- **Container Limits:** Reducing harm in the StFX community, large quantities of alcohol are restricted, including kegs, mini-kegs, and any container holding more than 500ml of beer, 1L of wine, or 40 oz (1183 ml) of any alcohol.
- **Intoxication:** Residence Life encourages students to seek help if someone is too intoxicated. Emergency medical assistance will be called if needed, as health and safety are the top priorities.
- **Stockpiling:** Stockpiling refers to accumulating large quantities of alcohol in residence rooms. This practice is not permitted as it can lead to unsafe drinking behaviors and potential health risks.
- **Trophies:** Displaying any quantity of full, partially full, or empty alcohol containers in windows or elsewhere is not allowed. Empty alcohol containers must be placed in the appropriate recycling container and may not be stored in residence rooms.
- **Delivery to Campus:** Alcohol and cannabis delivery to residence, including the apartments is strictly prohibited.

## Possession of Alcohol in Residence

- **Open Alcohol**
  - Refers to any alcohol that is not in a factory-sealed container.
  - To maintain safety and cleanliness, open alcohol is not prohibited in hallways, stairwells, elevators, moving room-to-room, or shared spaces.
- **Containers**
  - Containers carrying liquid must have a spill-proof lid that when tilted 90 degrees does not spill for any transport outside of the residence room.
  - Containers prone to cracking or breaking from hip-height drops are prohibited for safety reasons. This includes, but is not limited to, glass bottles, ceramic, and porcelain cups.
- **Shared Spaces**



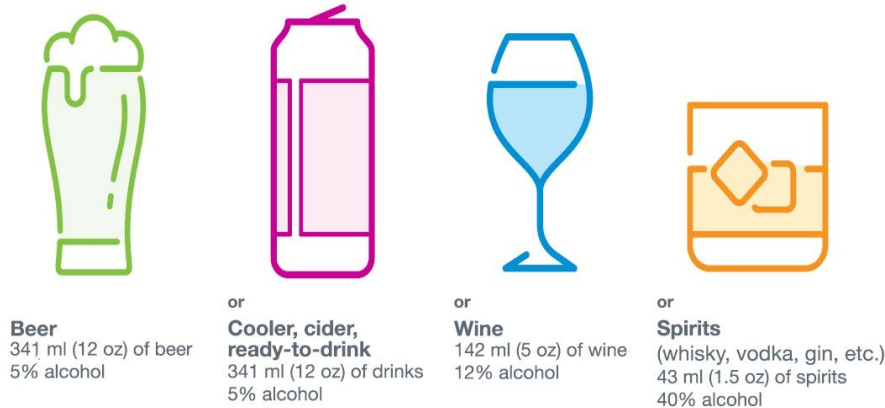
- University staff will dispose of any alcohol found unattended in shared spaces.
- Alcohol is prohibited from being stored in shared fridges.
- **Risky alcohol-centred behaviour:**
  - Students are not permitted to participate in, promote or be a spectator of drinking games or large quantity consumption activities within the residence community.
  - Drinking games is defined as drinking alcohol in large quantities and quick consumption such as chugging or shots:
    - Some examples are: “beer-pong,” “water-pong,” “funnelling,” “shot-gunning,” “quarters,” and “floor crawls”.
  - Residence staff are required to intervene when there is an activity that is potentially a drinking game or other unsafe alcohol related activity, whether listed above or not. Residents are expected to cease the activities when directed by residence staff, whether they agree with the request or not.
- **The following are prohibited in residence:**
  - Kegs (of any size), mini-kegs, and/or “Texas Mickeys” including spouts and taps, funnels and/or other speed-drinking devices,
  - brewing or distilling equipment and apparatus, pong tables,
  - Bubbas, growlers and BORGs,
  - Wine and/or cooler boxes or bags, punch bowls, buckets.

### Canada’s Guidance on Alcohol Recommendations:



## Examples of a Standard Drink

### A standard drink means:



Sources and Additional Resources: [ccsa.ca](https://ccsa.ca), [knowalcohol.ca](https://knowalcohol.ca) and [shealab.ca](https://shealab.ca)

## Unsafe Gatherings

Living in residence is a great way to make new friends and build social connections. However, it's important to keep student safety as a priority since this is your home during the academic year. To ensure everyone has an enjoyable experience, please keep noise levels respectful and focus on socializing rather than alcohol. Everyone in the residence has the right to feel safe and comfortable.

Community Advisors (CAs) will step in if gatherings become disruptive or unsafe. They might ask you to lower the music, change activities, disperse the group, or take other actions to restore safety.

Gatherings that involve excessive alcohol consumption and loud noise can violate the rights of those not participating and increase the risk of property damage, harassment, injuries, and extra cleaning charges. A gathering is considered disruptive or unsafe if all three of these conditions are met:

- There are more than 8 people in a residence room or more than 16 in a residence lounge.
- The main activity is focused on alcohol or other substance consumption.

- Noise levels exceed the average conversation volume set by Residence Life Staff and the Residence Community Standards. If the noise coming from a room or lounge can be heard more than two doors down, it is deemed excessive.

Residents are not allowed to host, participate in, or promote unsafe gatherings in residence.

## Shared Spaces

Below is a list of substance-free spaces and social spaces where, in following the guidelines for containers, alcohol may be present within each residence building; check with the CAs for clarification as needed.

Building	Substance Free Spaces	Social Spaces
Bishops Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor Lounges
Cameron Hall	Study Lounges	Basement Lounges
FX Hall	Kitchen	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge
Governors Hall	Hallway lounges	Lounges attached to Kitchens
MacIsaac Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor Lounges	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Lounges
Mackinnon Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Study Lounge	Basement Lounges
MSB	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge	Corner Lounges
O'Regan Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge	Movie Room, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge
Riley Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge	Movie Room, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Lounge

## Cannabis and Smoking

### Cannabis

In Nova Scotia, you must be **19 years old** to legally possess or use cannabis. However, research shows that using cannabis before **age 25** can permanently damage your developing brain. That's why StFX strongly recommends waiting until you're at least 25 before using cannabis.

If you're 19 or older and choose to use cannabis, we encourage you to consider ways to minimize the impacts to your health.

Remember, your health and safety are our top priorities. If you or someone else needs help due to over-intoxication, don't hesitate to seek assistance. We will initiate emergency medical responses when necessary.

StFX is dedicated to promoting a campus culture of healthy, responsible, and low-risk cannabis use.

### Seeking Support:

- Residence Life encourages students to seek help if someone is too intoxicated. Emergency medical assistance will be called if needed, as health and safety are the top priorities.

- The Canadian Good Samaritan Act offers protection for those who step in during emergencies, helping students feel more confident about taking action when it matters most.

### **Deliveries:**

- Alcohol and Cannabis delivery to residence to residence, including the apartments, is prohibited. This is to ensure safety for all students in residence as proof of age cannot always be guaranteed.
  - This includes the NSLC as well as local delivery agents.

### **Storing Cannabis**

- Cannabis must be stored in an airtight container, such as a mason jar, and properly labeled no matter what form it's in for safety and cleanliness.
- Containers cannot be stored in common spaces and must be sealed to ensure that any smell is undetectable outside the residence room or in a shared room by roommates.
- Cannabis that is in an edible form, whether as a gummy, candy, oil or spray format, should be kept separate from other foods and food spaces in rooms to avoid cross contamination and for safety.
- Bongs are prohibited in residence.

### **Smoking on Campus**

- What counts as smoking: Nova Scotia law includes vaping, e-cigarettes, and any combustible smoking method (cigarettes, pipes, etc) in the Smoke Free Places Act. This includes all parts of the device, like e-liquid, cartridges, and other components.
- No smoking indoors: Smoking and vaping are not allowed inside any campus building. This can result in a fine under the University Smoking Policy.
  - If you choose to smoke or vape outdoors, you must be at a 4 metres distance from any building, as defined in the Nova Scotia Smoke-Free Places Act.
- Evidence of smoking: If there are ashes, the smell of smoke, visible smoke, or cigarette butts in Residence, it is considered proof of smoking or vaping and a violation of the Residence Contract.

## **Illegal Substances**

In line with provincial and federal laws, illegal drugs and substances are strictly prohibited in residence and across the StFX campus. This includes any paraphernalia related to the use, consumption, or production of these substances. We will work with law enforcement when there is evidence of illegal substances or activity in the community.

## **While @ X, Know Your Guest**

A guest is anyone who does not currently live in the residence building.

Residence security is everyone's responsibility. Residents are given the privilege of having guests visit them in residence, with some exceptional times when there is a no guest policy. This privilege comes with the responsibility for the people you permit into your community.

**Do not open the door for or allow entry to anyone who does not have access.**

As a host, you must ensure your guest knows the rules and responsibilities.

**Guest Policy:**

- a. A host is defined as any student who has a contract with the university to live in the residence building. A student can only be a host in their assigned residence placement.
- b. The host is always responsible for their guest(s) and must ensure they respect the rules and responsibilities.
- c. A host must always be with their guest when in residence.
- d. Hosts are limited to a maximum of two (2) guests at a time.
- e. Anyone who enters a residence in which they do not live without being signed in is trespassing.
- f. Students are responsible for any individuals they let into the building, whether intended to be their guests or not. Letting someone in the building behind you (e.g., tailgating and piggybacking) or opening a door to give them access is strictly prohibited. Letting individual's unknown to the student into the building puts the community at risk (theft, assault, damage, etc.).
- g. Guests must be prepared to present their government or student identification cards to campus staff at any time during their stay. Refusing to show ID or presenting a false ID will result in removal from the university property.
- h. Students can host an overnight guest(s) for a maximum of three (3) consecutive nights and up to ten (10) nights in a month. An overnight guest is defined as any guest signed in after quiet hours.
- i. Hosts should seek agreement from their roommate before hosting guests overnight in the residence room.
- j. Guests under 16 years of age are not permitted in the building after 9:00 pm.
- k. Residence Life staff and Safety and Security Officers are authorized to immediately revoke guest and host privileges at their discretion.

Residence Life also restricts the number of guests allowed to be signed in during specific times of the academic year. Residence Life will provide as much notice as possible when guests will be restricted.

**Please note that guest privileges will be restricted during the following periods:**

1. Welcome Week—No guests may be signed in during the first week on campus. Those supporting students during move in day are welcome in Residence to help residents move into their room. Supporters of student are asked to leave once finished helping student move in.

2. During high-impact events such as Homecoming, St. Patrick's Day, Last Class Bash, etc. guests are prohibited within residences. Residence Life may apply a no guest policy at their discretion.
3. Peak Academic Periods—Non-StFX and overnight guests are prohibited. Hosts are limited to two (2) guests to study between the hours of 8:00 AM -11:00 PM

**Go to [stfx.erezlife.com](https://stfx.erezlife.com) to sign in to your guest throughout the year and for more information relating to hosting a guest in residence.**

## Fire Safety

StFX conducts regular evacuation drills, especially at the beginning of the term, to ensure that residents and staff know what to do during a fire.

When you hear the alarm, exit the building by the nearest exit and go to the Muster point for your building.

Fire safety equipment and measures are critical life-saving tools, and we take them very seriously. Provincial regulations require the University to have these measures for your safety. Tampering with equipment or causing an unsafe situation are violations that include fines in the outcome(s).

Violations	Fine Amount
Use of prohibited items containing an open-element or candles	Up to \$100
Disabling or covering a smoke detector	\$400 fine
Setting off, disabling, or removing a fire extinguisher or fire hose (unless for a legitimate reason)	\$90 (extinguisher recharge and service fee), plus, a \$300 fine
Violations	Fine Amount
Tampering with or setting off a false alarm (unless for a legitimate reason)	Automatic Referral to the Code \$500 fine
Possessing or igniting pyrotechnics, fireworks, or any explosives	Automatic Referral to the Code \$500 fine Possible University Suspension
Failing to evacuate during an alarm	\$250 fine
Tampering with or damaging a fire exit sign	\$330 fine

## What to do when the Fire Alarm Sounds

1. Stop what you are doing. If it is safe, leave your room and firmly close the door.
2. Leave the residence building immediately, calmly taking the safest and nearest exit. You are encouraged to familiarize yourself with the building exits as soon as possible after move-in.
3. Do not take elevators. If you require an elevator to travel between floors, you should notify your Community Advisor as soon as possible so a plan can be implemented.
4. Move from the building to your residence's designated muster point. Your Community Advisor will go over this in your first-floor meeting or scan the QR code:
5. Follow instructions from Residence Life Staff, StFX Safety & Security Services, and any emergency response team member.



## Incident Resolution

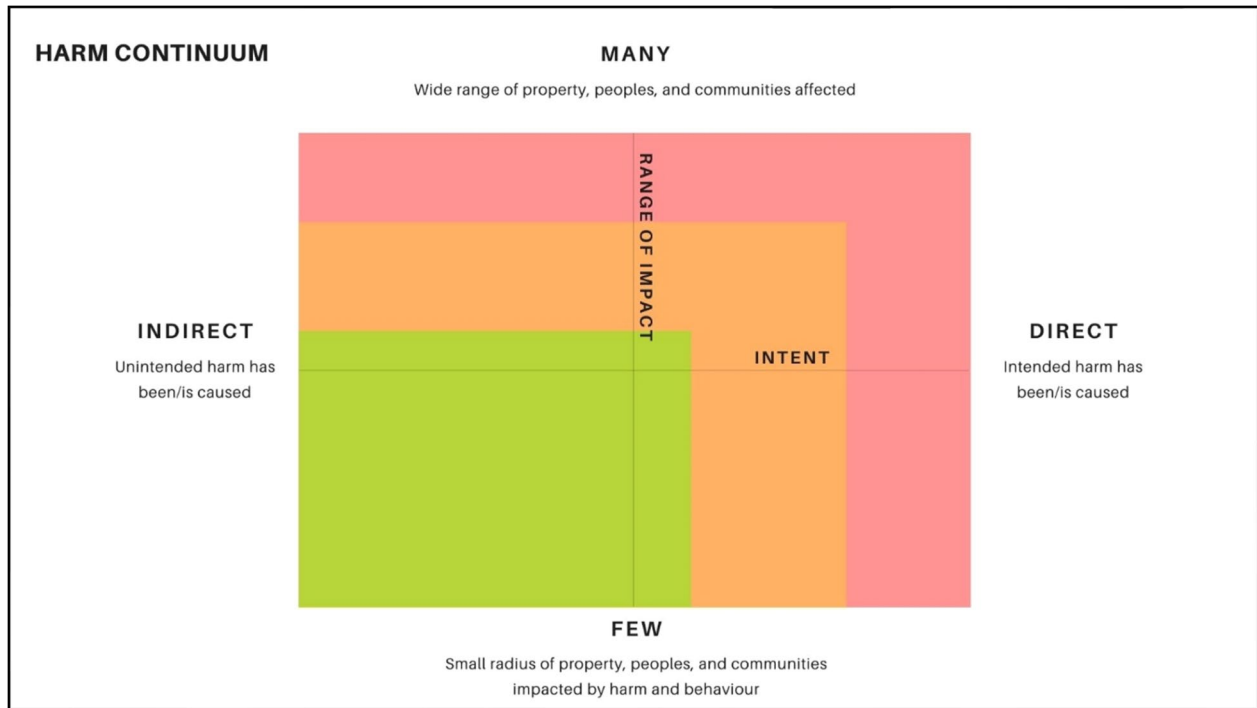
Each incident is assessed for the level of harm and the impact to others. Following an incident where the Residence Standards have not been met, the RLC will follow up with the students involved to get their perspective. When there is an incident, most of the time it can be resolved through a conversation with the RLC where a resolution to repair the harm caused is agreed upon. The RLC may decide on outcomes if there is not an agreement.

## Immediate Measures

During the academic year, an on-call RLC is available for urgent support and will respond to residence emergencies 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The Security and/or Residence staff may, without delay, impose immediate measures to prevent escalation and to ensure the well-being of any resident(s) who have been harmed. Immediate measures can be expressed in writing or verbally and are temporary and can be made permanent, be modified, or removed once the incident is reviewed and resolved under the applicable policy.

## The Harm Continuum

The Harm Continuum is a tool for assessing the level of harm or potential harm from behaviour, and the extent to which there was an intention to cause damage or awareness that the behaviour could cause damage.



## Residence Standards Resolution & Outcomes

### Educational Outcomes

Designed to engage the resident in learning from their mistakes and to understand the impact of their behaviour on others in the community.

Educational outcomes could include:

- Self-Assessment Alcohol Use Survey & Reflection
- Self-Assessment Cannabis Use Survey & Reflection
- Community Impact Assignment
- Decision-Making Reflection
- Letter to Future Self
- SMART Goal Assignment
- The Power of Failure Educational Assignment
- Discretionary Educational Assignment

### Restorative Resolution

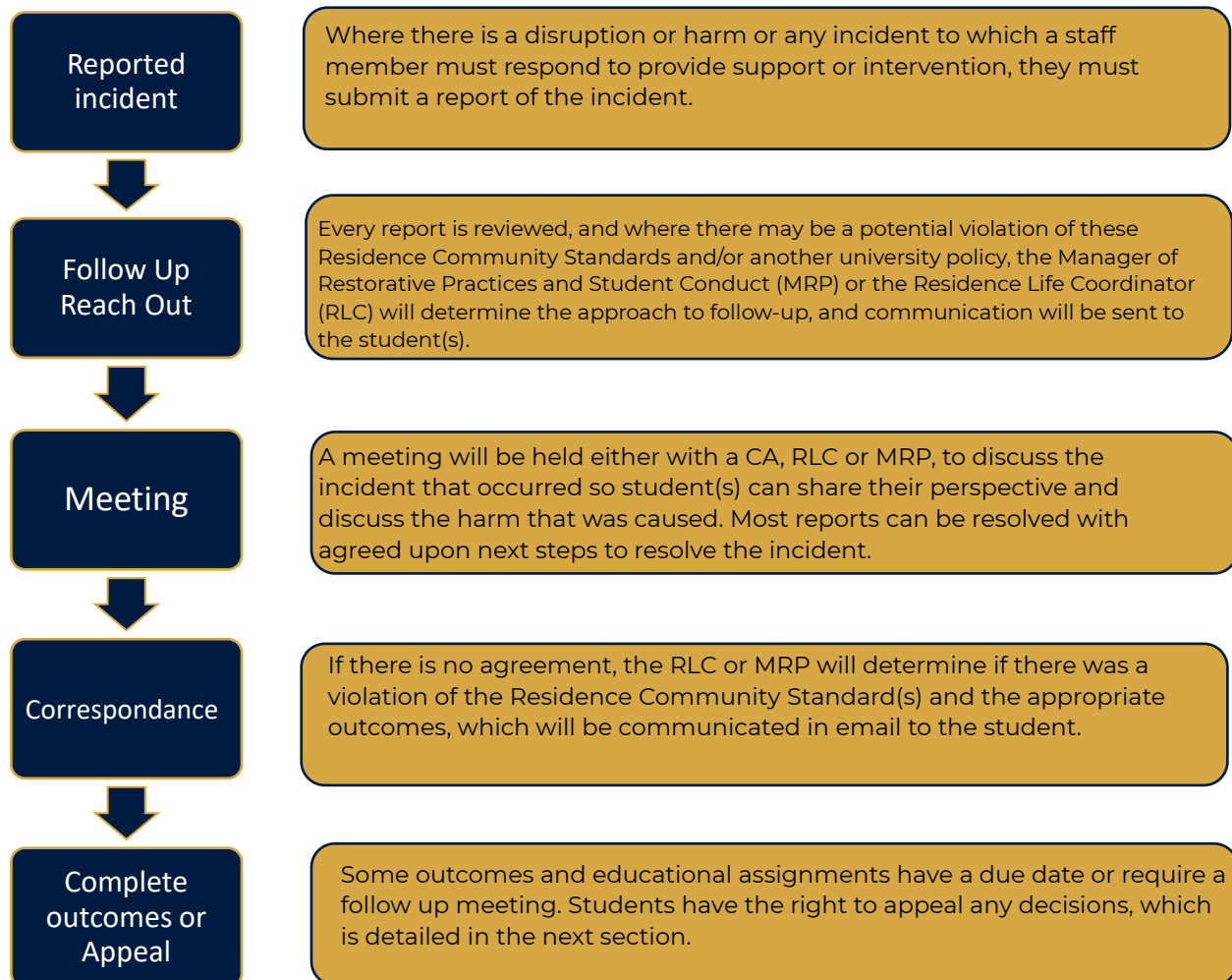
- Apology – A written or verbal statement of responsibility, acknowledgement of harm and commitment to do better.
- Restitution – May be assigned to cover the cost of damaged property or belongings as a result of one's actions.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Service – Students may be assigned up to 24 hours of community service with a university department or community partner. This outcome is typically assigned with a reflection essay.</li> </ul>
<b>Restrictive Outcomes</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Removal of Guest Privileges – Removal of guest privileges is for a period of time due to failing to adhere to the residence guest policy.</li> <li>Premise Ban – A student may be banned from any given residence floor, or residence building.</li> <li>Loss of Student Privileges – Students become ineligible to attend specific residence-based programming or events.</li> <li>Alcohol Probation – May be assigned to students found responsible for the misuse of alcohol. Students placed on alcohol probation agree not to possess or consume alcohol on University Premises nor return to University Premises under the influence of alcohol for a specified period.</li> <li>Fine: The student is given a period of time to pay the fine in cash, after which the fine will be applied to the student's account.</li> <li>Behavioral Bond – If the student has not been found responsible for further violations at the end of that time, the bond is removed. The bond amount will be applied to the student's account if the student is found responsible for further violations.</li> </ul>
<b>Referral to the Manager, Restorative Practices and Student Conduct for Review</b>	
	<p>Outcomes defined in the Community Code of Conduct.</p> <p>Examples of residence-related restrictive outcomes include:</p> <p><b>Ineligible to Return to Residence:</b> A student may stay in residence to finish out the year given no more conduct arises but is ineligible to return to residence the following academic year. It may be determined that the student is ineligible to return to a specific residence(s) or all residences.</p> <p><b>Residence Suspension:</b> Suspension from residence means that a student is removed from residence for the remainder of their current contract.</p> <p><b>Residence Relocation:</b> A Student may be transferred to another residence when their behaviour negatively impacts the residence community, or the residence community is deemed to harm the student. The manager, Restorative Practices, and Student Conduct will determine the outcomes under the Code. The decision will be shared with the Residence Life Coordinator.</p>
<b>What Next?</b>	<p>If your report is referred to the Code for review, reflect on the incident, be honest. Your RLC can help you understand the next steps. Consider seeking the services of a student advocate (su_advoc@stfx.ca).</p>

## Incident Resolution Process

An incident occurs when a student(s) engages in behaviour that contradicts the expectations in these Residence Standards or causes harm to another person, place or self.



Note: Failing to attend a scheduled meeting with an RLC could result in a finding and decision made in the student's absence. The RLC will attempt a maximum of two meeting invitations before making a determination on the issue in the student's absence.

## Residence Standards Appeal Process



**Students have the right to request an appeal of a decision on the finding or an outcome if they can demonstrate one of the following grounds:**

1. There is a perception of prejudice or bias, or an unfair application of outcomes on the part of the adjudicative body;
2. Procedural fairness was breached in a manner that impacted the outcome or the process; or,
3. There were significant mitigating circumstances or information at the time of the incident, that were not known or not reasonably practical for the appellant to have made known to the adjudicator.

The Manager, Residences (or designate) and a University Appeals Committee student member will review appeal requests. **They may do one of the following:**

- Dismiss appeal based on lack of grounds or evidence.
- Accept the appeal but keep the original decision &/or outcome.
- Accept the appeal and change the finding and outcome.

We encourage students to take their time drafting their appeals and seek advice from student advocates to ensure they have met at least one of the grounds for appeal.

A decision on the appeal will be sent to the student within seven (7) days of receiving the appeal request. The Manager, Residences, and a member of the Student Appeals Committee may request further information from the student or RLC before deciding. Once a decision on the appeal is made, it is final. There is no further appeal option.

If students have questions or would like support throughout the appeals process, they are encouraged to contact the Student Advocate Office, 419 in the Bloomfield Centre, or by email at [su\\_advoc@stfx.ca](mailto:su_advoc@stfx.ca). Office hours are posted on the website: <https://theu.ca/advocates>. These student representatives are trained on university policies and can help students navigate the process.

## Safety & Security Services

Safety & Security Services provides 24-hour coverage 365 days per year via the Safety & Security Operations Centre (SOC). In addition, our team of dedicated safety and security officers conducts regular campus vehicle and foot patrols, instilling confidence that everyone can live, learn, work, and enjoy a supportive and safe environment.



### ***In Case of an Emergency:***

**If you, a StFX student or community member, are in immediate danger:**

When you use a cell phone, call **911** first, followed immediately by a call to StFX Safety & Security Services at **(902)-867-4444**. Security Officers are ready to support any situation until emergency responders arrive on campus.

## Your Residence Addresses

Civic Addresses for Residences		
Residence Building	Civic Address	Postal Code
Bishops Hall	5101 Bishops Place	B2G 2W5
Cameron Hall	4129 University Avenue	B2G 2W5
MacKinnon Hall	4130 University Avenue	B2G 2W5
MacIsaac Hall	2200 Varsity Drive	B2G 2W5
Mount Saint Bernard	2340 Notre Dame Avenue	B2G 2W5
O'Regan Hall	2250 Varsity Drive	B2G 2W5
Riley Hall	2260 Varsity Drive	B2G 2W5
FX Hall	6011 Varsity Drive	B2G 2W5
Governors Hall	2100 Varsity Drive	B2G 2W5

# Campus Map

