Dear Parents and Families,

Hello from Residence Life at the Colorado School of Mines! Now that the dust from move-in has settled, our residents are now settling into their new “homes,” adjusting to classes, labs, homework, mid-terms, some snow, campus dining, TLCs, etc. We love reaching out to “our parents and families,” sharing some of the activities our residents are involved in; reminding you of Important Dates (especially in the residence halls), articles we love sharing with you – our “partners” – to help your student(s) (and YOU!) create a healthy living and learning environment, knowing what resources can help them in a structured but independent life here at Mines; and help set them up for success: both in AND out of the classroom.

If you haven’t familiarized yourself with our Office of Residence Life, please take time to look at our website (http://residencelife.mines.edu): who we are, what we do individually AND as a Department, and reach out to us with any questions you may have.

We enjoy putting these Newsletters together for you through the academic year. We hope you enjoy them and feel “part of the Team” this year!

Registration for Spring Classes: Week of November 13-17

Thanksgiving Break: November 22-26 (No classes Nov. 22. Campus offices closed November 23 & 24.). Residence Halls remain open with limited staff.


Undergraduate Commencement: December 15

Winter Break: December 18 through January 6. Residents required to “check out” with their RA 24 hours after their last final exam. All Residence Halls officially close at noon on Friday, December 15. **Residence Halls will re-open at 8:00am Sunday, January 7.** Spring Meal Plans start beginning with breakfast on January 8.

Spring Semester: Classes start Tuesday, January 9.

Census Day: January 24. Last day to freely add or drop classes without receiving any penalty.

Housing Signup for 2018-2019 Res Halls: Begins February 1 for *current residents* to apply to live in Maple Hall next year (lottery-based).


Spring Break*: March 24 - April 1 (*Residence Halls stay open).

Registration for Summer and Fall Classes: April 2-6

Last Withdrawal – Continuing students: April 11. Last day to drop classes in order to receive a “W” on transcript instead of a letter grade. Fees may apply.

E-Days: April 13-15

Last Withdrawal – New freshmen and transfer students: April 27

Classes End: May 3

Final exams: May 5, 7-10

Residence Halls CLOSE at noon on Commencement Day (Friday, May 11th). (Residents are required to check out [of their packed and cleaned rooms and common areas] **within 24 hours after their final exam.**
LOOK AT THIS

THINKING OF YOU
GIVE YOUR STUDENT A SWEET SURPRISE!

Choose from an array of house made treats and gift packages sent right to your student’s Residence Hall or on campus apartment.

BIRTHDAY CAKE
Package Includes:
A 10” round, 2 layer decorated cake. Choose from a chocolate or vanilla cake with a choice of select fillings.
$25 + tax

FINALS COOKIE PACKAGE
Package Includes:
Two dozen freshly baked cookies in an Otis Spunkmeyer cookie jar. Choose from a selection of cookies.
$12.99 + tax

EXAM CRAM
Package Includes:
An assortment of snacks and energy drinks to get your student through the crunch time of exams.
$14.99 + tax

HEALTHY SNACKING
Package Includes:
An array of fresh fruit, granola bars, trail mix, hummus and crackers and bottled water.
$16.99 + tax

SNACK ATTACK
Package Includes:
Individual bags of assorted chips, pop tarts and candy.
$14.99 + tax

MOVIE NIGHT
Package Includes:
A popcorn bucket with bags of microwavable popcorn, assorted candy and sodas.
$15.99 + tax

UNDER THE WEATHER
Package Includes:
To-go chicken noodle soup, crackers, assorted fresh fruit, Gatorade and Emergen-C.
$16.99 + tax

HE DESERVES IT
Package Includes:
Protein bars, beef jerky, sunflower seeds, trail mix and Gatorade.
$24.99 + tax

SHE DESERVES IT
Package Includes:
Popcorn, assorted nuts, hummus and crackers, tea, gum and a cookie.
$24.99 + tax

HERE’S HOW TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:

- Visit: minesdining.sodexo.com/shop - Gifts & More
- Select a delivery/pick-up date.
- Please allow 1 business day for orders to be processed.
- Students may pick-up their order at Mines Market or Mines Dining will deliver to their Residence Hall or campus apartment for an additional $5.
- Packages will come in a reusable shopping tote & will include a card.
- All packages may be paid for by credit card.
** IMPORTANT NOTICE **

Make sure to use the correct address when sending mail to your student, as follows:

First name Last name  
Colorado School of Mines  
Residence Hall, Room number  
1301 19th Street*  
Golden, CO 80401

** EXAMPLE:**

Debi Pretz  
Colorado School of Mines  
Elm Hall*, Room 101A  1301 Elm St.  
Golden, CO  80401  
[* NOTE: No need to include res hall building address]

**Families**: ALL incoming mail goes to our Receiving Office FIRST (at this address) where packages are signed for and delivered same-day (M-F), except for late-arriving deliveries (which will be delivered within 24 hours, M-F). Help us help your student by asking them NOT to go to the Receiving Office if tracking a package and notified that it “has been signed for.” This slows the process of getting mail to your student. Once the package is delivered to the front desk of the respective residence hall, Res Life staff will start the process of logging and tagging each package; THEN send an email to your student to come claim the package AT THE FRONT DESK.

Program at Weaver Towers:
Pancakes and Physics Sunday September 24: Preparation for the first Physics 1 exam for ALL of the Traditional Hall residents. Teaching Assistants and Physics students worked together to learn material, prepare for the first exam and eat pancakes!
Nucleus Scholars’ Retreat (TLC/Aspen Hall) – Photo taken at Red Rocks. This TLC got to learn the history of Red Rocks, went on a hike, and started the beginning of their common read books:

We hope you have enjoyed this Newsletter as much as WE have enjoyed putting it together for you!

AND REMEMBER...

It is **NOT** too early to start making travel plans for the upcoming holidays and breaks! (See “Important Dates” above regarding closing and re-opening dates for Winter Break.)