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Residence Agreement Academic Year 2023 -2024

This agreement, titled the Residence Agreement Academic Year 2023-2024 is a legally binding agreement which all residents must sign electronically. Here and after this agreement becomes a legally binding contract with Ramapo College of New Jersey ("Ramapo College" or the "College"). This agreement financially obligates the student to pay for the fall and spring semesters of the Housing Agreement unless they officially withdraw from housing through the Office of Residence Life. The authentication procedures for StarRez, serves as an electronic signature for students. Electronic submission of application information does not guarantee confirmation of a housing assignment. Students are only released from their financial obligation to pay if they withdraw from housing using the proper housing withdrawal procedures. If a student chooses to move off campus, they will forego their guaranteed housing status and must reapply for any future housing

complete a housing withdrawal form which is available via the Residence Life website. Students who withdraw AFTER the 100% housing/meal plan refund date will be assessed 50% of their housing charges. Students who withdraw after the 50% housing refund deadline will not be entitled to a housing refund. Students are encouraged to be mindful of the refund deadlines if they are considering withdrawing from housing. To review refund dates, students should visit the Residence Life Website and click on "Residence Life Events & Important Dates

D. ROOM CONSOLIDATION

- The Office of Residence Life reserves the right to change student's housing assignments in order to provide for maximum occupancy and utilization of space. During the fall and spring semesters residents currently living in rooms/suites/ apartments that are not fully occupied (under-assigned rooms) may be subject to room consolidation. Residents in those rooms may be contacted to choose from the following options: (1) have another resident(s) move into their room to fill all spaces or (2) move to another space to fill a room; If permitted, retain the double room at the posted single room rate, for the remainder of the semester.
- 2. The Office of Residence Life reserves the right to change students' housing assignments in order to provide for maximum occupancy and utilization of space in a Ramapo College owned facility, and to accommodate students who are assigned to housing under construction or renovation that is not available for occupancy.

E. <u>CHECK-IN</u>

- 1. Residents may not occupy residence hall rooms when the residential facilities are closed, unless authorized by the Office of Residence Life. Opening and closing dates for the residential facilities can be found on the "Residence Life Events & Important Dates" located on the Residence Life Website.
- 2. Residents must check-in 24 hours after their designated check-in date or their assigned space may be re-assigned to another student, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Office of Residence Life. Students who do not check in to their assigned space and who do not officially withdraw from housing, remain liable for the room and board charges for the entire semester.
- 3. Residents are not permitted to check-in at their assigned residential facility prior to their designated check-in date.

information/addresses, a designated contact person at any time by updating their emergency contact information.

Appendix A: COVID-19 Amendment to Resident Agreement Year 2023- 2024

This COVID-19 Amendment to the Ramapo College of New Jersey Resident Agreement Year 2023-2024 (the "Amendment") sets forth the assumptions of risks, obligations, and guidelines in connection with COVID-19 and the related impacts to the student residence life experience. By electronic signature to the Ramapo College of New Jersey Resident Agreement Year 2023-2024, the resident/student agrees to be bound by the terms of this Amendment.

Assumption of Risk/Hold Harmless

The resident understands that COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. The resident acknowledges that COVID-19 is a highly contagious illness that is presently understood to spread from person to person through respiratory droplets (coughing, talking, and sneezing). Research related to COVID-19 transmission and spread is evolving. The resident understands that a portion of COVID-19 individuals are asymptomatic (meaning they demonstrate no symptoms and can unknowingly spread the virus).

The resident understands that they could be exposed to COVID-19, contract COVID-19, or transmit COVID-19 during college-related activities. Participating in college activities, classes, sports and trainings could increase one's risk of contracting COVID-19.

The resident acknowledges that Ramapo College of New Jersey (the "College") did not require students to live on campus, and has given residents the choice to engage in the same. If residents choose to live on campus, residents understand that they can opt out at any time (standard refund dates apply).

Residents understand that while Ramapo College of New Jersey has put together prevention measures to reduce the risk of contracting COVID-19, it is impossible that the College can guarantee that residents will not contract the virus. With that, residents assume the risk of becoming infected with COVID-19 and understand that there are a range of symptoms that span from mild to severe (including death).

As resident students are encouraged to engage in a daily health s