

January, 2008

Dear Village Residents:

By now, you may have heard about the ODU Housing Lottery for 2008-09. ODU has instituted a lottery to manage the demand for housing in the residence halls and to provide an equitable system for on-campus housing assignments.

I wanted to advise you of the **special exemption** and **agreement options** available for Village residents. If you are happy with your current campus housing location, you may lock-in your **current apartment building and room** and bypass the lottery process. By taking advantage of the special exemption, you have the benefit of knowing in advance your preferred housing assignment is protected for another year.

Procedures to Stay in the Same Apartment and Same Room

1. Go on-line to the University Housing webpage at: <http://studentaffairs.odu.edu/housing/currentchecklistandforms0809.shtml> to download the Application Form, complete the form, print and make a copy for yourself.
2. Take your completed Application Form and \$150 prepayment deposit to the Office of Finance. You must complete this process by 5 p.m., March 3, 2008 to be eligible to bypass the lottery to remain in your same room.

If you wish to select a different room or location, you must participate in the Housing Lottery and follow the same process above, steps 1 & 2, by March 3, 2008. If you are not electing to live on campus next year, no action is necessary.

New Living Options

ODU will continue to offer a standard Housing Agreement, long-term in the Village beginning August 15 through July 31. In Fall 2008, we will also introduce a new short-term Housing Agreement for both the Village and Powhatan with a contract period of August 1 through May 31 in selected apartment buildings in the Village and throughout all of Powhatan. The reduced agreement period gives students another living option in the Village. In addition to providing more choices, this shorter agreement clears the way for building repairs, renovations, and upgrades in the Village Apartments creating a better living experience for residents.

ODU Apartments Living Options	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
University Village Buildings 1 & 2	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31 Summer of 2009 renovations to begin in Buildings 1 & 2	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31
University Village Buildings 3 & 4	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31 Summer of 2010 renovations to begin in Buildings 3 & 4	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31
University Village Buildings 5 & 6	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31 Summer of 2011 renovations to begin in Buildings 5 & 6	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31
University Village Buildings 7 & 8	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31 Summer of 2012 renovations to begin in Buildings 7 & 8	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31
University Village Buildings 9 & 10	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Long-term Agreement August 15 to July 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31 Summer of 2013 renovations to begin in Buildings 9 & 10
Powhatan Apartments	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31	Short-term Agreement August 1 to May 31

If you have additional questions, please send them to housing@odu.edu.