



**University System of Maryland Statement on Room and Board Policies for  
Residential Students Moving to Remote and Online Learning  
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The safety and wellness of students, faculty, and staff are paramount as the University System of Maryland (USM) develops protocols in response to the coronavirus outbreak. Our institutions currently remain open under USM telework guidance and they are making plans to transition students to remote and online learning following spring break. In addition to the many and complex decisions that are required to make this shift, residential universities within the System have additional considerations regarding room and board policies for students who will not be returning to campus during this period of remote and online learning. USM staff have been working with each institution to help develop a uniform policy. The USM recognizes its responsibility to students and families who have been disrupted during this unprecedented situation and will develop an approach in keeping with this responsibility.

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