

Office of Residence Life



MOVE-IN GUIDE

Fall 2026

**FIRST YEAR & TRANSFER
AUGUST 22**

**CONTINUING
AUGUST 23 & 24**



MOVE-IN INFORMATION

First-Year Move-In

Saturday, August 22

More move-in information will be shared on the Portal at the beginning of August.

Transfer Move-In

Saturday, August 22

More move-in information will be shared on the Portal at the beginning of August.

Continuing Move-In

August 23 8 AM - 6 PM

August 24 8 AM - 5 PM

More move-in information will be shared via your Mocs email at the beginning of August.

WHAT TO EXPECT

PREPARING FOR MOVE-IN DAY

CONTACT YOUR ROOMMATE(S) VIA EMAIL

We encourage you to contact your new roommate and suitemates. Contact information is available through the Portal. Introduce yourself and provide some information about your likes and dislikes. This is also a great time to coordinate what items you will be bringing to your room.

REVIEW YOUR ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Be familiar with what to expect for the first couple of days. Early access to your residence hall will not be permitted. However, if able, plan to come down a few days beforehand with your family so you can explore Lakeland and other nearby areas.

KEEP AN OPEN MIND

You will receive orientation information via the Portal and your Orientation Leader.

If you haven't had a chance to connect with your roommate(s) or suitemate(s), do not worry! There will be plenty of fun during the Weeks of Welcome events to help you meet others and learn more about campus.

REVIEW PORTAL

Ensure you know your move-in date(s), time(s), and location!

Additionally, complete the Emergency Plan information on the Portal.





ITEMS TO BRING

BATHROOM

- Bath Towels
- Hand Soap
- Hand Towels
- Robe
- Shower Caddy
- Shower Shoes
- Toiletries (Soap, Shampoo, Etc.)
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Wash Clothes / Loofah

LINENS

- Blankets
- Mattress Topper
- Pillows
- Pillow Cases
- Sewing Kit
- Throw Rugs
- Two (2) Sets of Sheets (Twin XL)

CLEANING

- Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Dish Sponge
- Disinfectant Wipes
- Dryer Sheets
- Laundry Basket / Bag
- Paper Towels
- Small Trash Bags
- Small Vacuum / Broom

MISCELLANEOUS

- Batteries
- Extension Cord
- Fan
- Flashlight
- Floor Lamp
- IDs and Personal Documentation
- Raincoat
- Small Suitcase
- Storage Containers
- Umbrella

KITCHEN

- Chip Clips
- Coffee Maker
- Coffee Mugs
- Cups
- Dishes
- Cutlery
- Small Trash Can
- Tupperware Containers
- Water Filter Pitcher

WELLNESS

- First Aid Kit
- Hand Sanitizer
- Insurance Cards
- Medications
- Nail Clippers
- Sunscreen
- Thermometer
- Tissues
- Water Bottle

ITEMS TO LEAVE AT HOME

- Alcohol, Chemicals, Drug Paraphernalia, Illegal Substances, and Tobacco/Vapors
- Large Furniture Items including coffee tables, couches, desks, desk chairs, dining chairs, dining tables, dressers, mini-refrigerators, and sofas. Please contact the Office of Residence Life for more information about this policy.
- Pets (Except for fish in tanks no larger than 10 gallons)
- Wireless Access Points, Routers and Hubs
- Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: bayonets, BB guns, bows and arrows, charcoal, chemical bombs, firearms, any fireworks and bottle rockets, gasoline, gasoline cans, hunting/fishing knives, interior paint, lighter fluid, martial arts weapons, medieval weapons, nunchucks, paint cans, paint thinner, propane canisters, recreational knives with blades longer than 4 inches, rifles, slingshots, spray paint, stun guns, switch blades, tasers, tiki-torches, and tiki-torch fuel.



For further questions about prohibited items, after reviewing the Residence Life Policies, please email our Office at residencelife@flsouthern.edu.

WHAT TO EXPECT

DURING MOVE-IN

REVIEW PORTAL

Be sure to check Portal for updates and information regarding arrival and parking on move-in day.

MEET YOUR RA

Your RA is an upper-class student living in your area trained to work with other residents to establish a sense of community for all on-campus students. Your RA is a great resource to answer questions regarding FSC and surrounding communities. Also, an RA is on duty each night and during the weekends.

GET SETTLED IN

Head over to your assigned check in location to get signed in and pick up your key. You, and any guests you may bring to assist with move in, can then head to your new room! You can introduce yourself to your new roommate. You will also be able to meet your neighbors during the floor meeting.



LIVING ON CAMPUS

ROOM CONDITION REPORT

Before you arrive, your RA will complete your Room Condition Report (RCR). You can ask your RA to see what concerns were noted for your space. This report is also used at move out to determine damages.

ROOMMATE AGREEMENT

After meeting your roommate(s), you all should complete the Roommate Agreement form to discuss expectations for living with each other for the year. Your RA is available as a resource to help navigate these conversations as well.



PROGRAMMING

Residence Life and campus partners produce plenty of activities and programs each semester. Take advantage of those opportunities to learn more about yourself and connect with other Mocs!

HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS

All members of the FSC community—residents, staff, and visitors—are expected to act in a manner that demonstrates consideration for the health and safety of the community. RA staff will conduct Health and Safety Inspections each semester to review the condition of spaces.



FACILITIES REMINDERS AND PERSONAL ITEMS

MAINTENANCE REQUEST

While Res Life works to keep our communities running smoothly, we sometimes need help from Facilities Maintenance. All students can submit Maintenance Requests through their system. For more information, please see the [Work Requests](#) webpage.

LAUNDRY WORK ORDERS

Laundry Services are free to all residential students, but don't forget to bring your own detergent and laundry supplies. If there are issues with any laundry machines, students can submit a Service Request using the machine ID. For more information, please see the [CSC ServiceWorks](#) webpage.

RENTER'S INSURANCE

In accordance with College policy, Residence Life and Florida Southern College are not liable for damage or loss of personal property, interruption of utilities or internet service, or damages resulting from accidents or unforeseen circumstances, including mechanical failure, electrical issues, or weather-related events. Residents are strongly encouraged to maintain personal renter's insurance and/or review any applicable homeowner's policies to ensure their belongings are adequately covered. For more information, please refer to the Residence Life Policies document.

SAFETY AND SECURITY

The Department of Campus Safety and Security (DCSS) is responsible for providing safety services for all college students, faculty, staff, and visitors Escorting Guests / Overnight Guests. However, the safety of our campus and community are all of our responsibilities.

For the safety of our community, please follow these policies:

- Lock your door at all times
- Keep your ID on your person
- Do not let others into community buildings
- Do not prop any doors open
- Do not open any windows
- Do not use any personal locking mechanisms on school doors



REPORTING A CONCERN

Safety and Security Officers are patrolling the campus 24 hours a day and are generally the first contact with the College community. To request a officer, students may call 863-680-4305.

Remember, if you see something, say something.

MOVE-OUT PREPARATIONS



CLOSING DATES

Fall 2026

Communities will close on Thursday, December 17 at 10:00 AM for non-graduating residents.

Communities will close on Sunday, December 20 at 10:00 AM for graduating residents.

Spring 2027

Communities will close on Thursday, May 6, at 10:00 AM for non-graduating residents.

Communities will close on Sunday May 9 at 10:00 AM for graduating residents.

COLLEGE BOXES

For students at Florida Southern College, storage and shipping with Collegeboxes makes college moving simple. Whether you're moving home for summer, moving into your dorm room, or getting ready for a semester abroad, Collegeboxes has all the services you need. For more information, visit our [College Boxes](#) webpage.

AIRPORT SHUTTLE SERVICE

Florida Southern provides shuttle transportation for current students to and from the Tampa (TPA) and Orlando (MCO) airports for breaks throughout the school year. For more information on dates, prices, and registration deadlines visit our [Airport Shuttle Service](#) webpage.