

THE JOY OF DORMITORY LIVING

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The excitement of going to college is every graduating high school student's dream. Students who do not have access to the nearest colleges and universities resort to living in a dormitory. The choice of where to live during school is the option of most incoming freshman students.

College life's primary focus is all about academics, but the overall experience is having a comfortable and affordable space to live which is the key concern for incoming college freshmen: figuring out where to live.

Most common choices are traditional on-campus dorms, especially for a freshman while others resort to residential housing near campus. Each student must decide for herself which is the best scenario because each living arrangement has its pros and cons.

This type of living can mean being at the heart of the social scene in campus because it can mean quick short distance walks to classes, and convenient access to school amenities, including meeting friends and classmates down the hall. It may be a representation of enforcing strict rules, roommate drama, and constant disruptions from schoolwork as others see it. Thus, living conveniently to a lack of privacy by dwelling in a dormitory means carrying a host of pros and cons.

The NO. No Meals, No Mess, No Problems.

Dormitory living simplifies life for busy students.

No daily commute, no utility bills, no cleaning required (apart from tidying up your own corner), and no trash and bathroom to upkeep (let the caretakers do the maintenance).

The school cafeteria and nearby diners provide food via a meal plan and sometimes paying in advance eliminate worries about your monthly rent. With the campus buildings, only a glance away, your morning alarm is set a little later, and taking your time getting to classes and school events is a constant.

There is Fun in Diversity.

Privacy at Risk.

Dormitory living may not or isn't at all fun and convenient.

It is a social advantage to be surrounded by people but sharing a small space with another person posed a lack of privacy that many students struggle with. Conflicts can easily erupt between roommates, friends, and significant others and cannot be avoided.

Positive social opportunities are advantageous to anti-social and feelings of homesickness but can also become a distraction from studying. Many dormitories have a noisy atmosphere that can also clash with students who used to study best in a peaceful and quiet environment. A balance between their schoolwork, school activities, and time with friends is what these students need to develop.

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