UNIVERSITY HOUSING & DINING

Housing Assignment Process Update: Monthly Randomization

- New for 2023-2024: Housing assignments are no longer first-come, first-served.

- Students who apply between the first and last day of a given month will be randomized together to be assigned their room selection number (spot in line).

- January applicants receive their room selection numbers first, followed by February applicants, and groups for March, April, and May 1.

Why the change?

- **Realistic Expectations:** Managing the expectations of more than 3,000 applicants on opening day is complicated.

- **Technology limitations:** Our housing management system has limits on the number of concurrent users.

- **Decreasing anxiety:** We regularly hear "this is so stressful" from prospective students and families.

- **Equal access for all:** Hawkeyes have varied internet access, and bandwidth should not impact students' ability to live on campus.

- **Helping Hawkeyes across the globe:** Hawkeyes come from varying time zones, and not everyone is on Hawkeye time, yet.

- **Supporting senior year:** Hawkeyes are involved in a variety of activities that limit their availability to apply at a specific date/time.

1,232 '21-'22 Applicants in 24HR

2,254 '21-'22 Applicants in 3.5HR

3,077 '22-'23 Applicants in 3HR

23-24 Progress Report

January Applications

- January 5: 1405
- January 31: 191
- Total: 3936

February Applications

- February 28: 83
- Total: 820

Noted Improvements

- Initial application rush – 507 in first hour Jan 5
- Limited technology difficulties (individual versus system-wide)
- Providing room selection numbers now is helping to establish realistic expectations early

Living on campus timeline FOR NEW HAWKEYES 2023-2024

JAN. 5 - MAY 1	FEB. 1 - MAY 1	MAR. 1 - MAY 15	MAY 1	MAY 15	JUNE	JULY	AUG. 13 - 16
Submit Your Application	Apply to Join an LLC	Request Your Roommates	Deadline to be eligible for online room selection	ADA and Orientation Registration Deadline	Online Hall, Room, and Meal Plan Selection	Move-In Date Selection	New Student Move-In!