

PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

A Member of the Texas A&M University System

To: PVAMU Students

From: Corey S. Bradford, Senior Vice President for Business Affairs

Date: March 25, 2020

Re: Housing and Dining Refund/Credit

We hope that you are safe and actively engaged with your online classes for the spring semester. As you know, the abrupt transition to online course delivery in the wake of the global health crisis has generated much confusion and a multitude of questions. One question that has surfaced repeatedly concerns the issuance of refunds to students who elected not to return to their campus housing following spring break.

We are pleased to inform you that we are able to offer prorated housing and dining credits/ refunds for those students who have prepaid their housing and dining fees but have chosen not to return to campus.

#### Seniors or Students Not Returning to PVAMU for fall 2020

Seniors certified to graduate in the spring and students not returning to PVAMU for the fall 2020 semester will receive a prorated refund for unused dining and housing services.

#### **Returning Students**

Returning students will receive housing and dining credits that will be applied to the student's chosen room and board plans for the 2020-2021 academic year. Students will receive notification of the prorated credit amount.

Office of Business Affairs P.O. Box 519; MS 1300 Prairie View, Texas 77446 Phone (936) 261-2150 Fax (936) 261-2159

www.pvamu.edu

Memo-Housing & Dining Refund/Credit March 25, 2020 Page 2

## Students Eligible to Receive a Refund or Credit

Students who receive financial aid to cover room and board costs, owe an outstanding balance to the university or received a housing payment deferment are not eligible for a prorated credit/refund. We will be working with Financial Aid and Treasury Services to determine eligibility on a case by case basis.

## **Recipients of Grant and Scholarship Funds**

Grant and scholarship funds that have been applied to student room and board fees, will be returned, where appropriate, to the issuing organization. Issuing organizations include, but are not limited to, foreign sponsors, churches, corporations, armed services, etc.

# How to Apply for Housing Credits/Refunds

Students seeking a prorated credit/refund must complete a COVID-19 Move-out Form by April 1<sup>st</sup>, vacate their room, and return their key by Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. American Campus Communities (ACC) will email residents the required form. Refunds and credits will be processed and issued beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Students with Commuter Plan or Panther Bucks**

Students who have a commuter plan dining contract or unspent Panther Bucks must submit <u>Sodexo's online COVID-19 Form</u> to receive a prorated credit/refund.

# **Move Out Procedures**

Residents not currently on campus must contact their property housing office in advance to make arrangements to pick-up their belongings. Housing will send out the electronic move-out form and more details on the check-out process.

We realize this is a difficult, unexpected, unprecedented and evolving situation and we are all navigating it together. Our goal is to try our best to be understanding and accommodating for the many different student circumstances. If you have further questions, please refer to the COVID-19 website for frequent updates.

Thank you and please follow public health and government guidelines to stay safe.