Student Preparedness Checklist

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☐ I have completed the emergency contact information in Academica (academica.wayne.edu), and it accurately reflects how I want to be notified in case of an emergency.

☐ I have programmed the WSU Police Department’s phone number (313-577-2222) into my cellphone so I can call them quickly in case of emergency.

☐ I have entered my cellphone number into the WSU Broadcast Messaging Service (broadcast.wayne.edu) so I will receive emergency text messages should there be an incident on campus.

☐ My roommates and close friends know how to contact my family or others in case of an emergency.

☐ My parents/family know how to contact my roommates and/or close friends in case of emergencies.

☐ I have an ICE (In Case of Emergency) entry in my cellphone so police/fire/EMS can call my emergency contact if I cannot speak.

☐ I know more than one way to get out of every building where I have classes. If one exit is blocked, I can get out of the building using a different exit. I am familiar with the fire exits for my residence and the buildings in which I have classes.

☐ I know where to find shelter in my residence and on campus in case of severe weather such as a tornado. For a severe weather shelter area, I should avoid windows and areas where there might be flying glass, exterior walls and rooms with high ceilings, such as auditoriums, and will try to get to one of the lowest levels in the building.

☐ When I go out at night, I have a plan for getting home. I have friends I can call to pick me up if I get stuck at a location where I feel uncomfortable. My roommate/friends know where I am going and the people I will be with.

☐ I know how to get to the WSU Campus Health Center in the Anthony Wayne Drive Apartments if I get sick. I am planning to get a flu shot during the fall semester. To decrease my chances of getting the flu, I wash my hands regularly with an alcohol-based soap. I cough into my sleeve and not my hands.

☐ I know the housing staff for my residence hall/apartment, including my resident advisor, community director and other staff in case there is an emergency or other problem.

☐ I have an emergency kit. A list of what to include is available at ready.gov/build-a-kit.

☐ I have an emergency COVID19 isolation bag. It includes clothing, toiletries, medications, electronics, phone and identification

Emergency preparedness
Wayne State University and our residence hall staff put the highest priority on the safety and security of our community members. We continually plan for emergencies, however unlikely it is that they may arise during the academic year. We also encourage individual community members and their families to make plans for their personal safety. These resources can help you plan for emergencies.

- **WSU Police Department**: A resource for crime prevention and personal safety on campus and in the community.
  
  police.wayne.edu

- **Campus Health Center**: A resource for personal health promotion and an on-campus health clinic open to all students.
  
  health.wayne.edu

- **Detroit Homeland Security**: The Do1Thing Program provides monthly suggestions for how to prepare for potential emergencies.
  
  detroitmi.gov/dhsem

- **American Red Cross training classes**: 
  
  redcross.org/take-a-class

- **State of Michigan Family Preparedness Guide**: 
  
  michigan.gov/michiganprepares

  
  ready.gov

Personal property protection
Wayne State University, the Office of Housing and Residential Life, their directors, agents, or employees shall neither be responsible for, nor liable for, property of the resident(s) which may be lost, stolen, damaged or left behind after the resident has moved out of their assigned space. **All residents are advised to carry personal property and liability insurance.** Report all lost or stolen property to the WSU Police immediately. You should also keep serial numbers, pictures and receipts of your valuables to help identify and recover items if they are lost or stolen.

Insurance
Accidents can happen! In recent years WSU Housing has experienced incidents in student rooms (i.e. setting off sprinklers, starting fires) where a resident was responsible for repair bills in the tens of thousands of dollars. Although there are always investigations to determine the cause of damage, it’s possible you may be responsible for such remediation costs if you are determined to be cause the damage. This could be true whether the damage was caused by accidental or negligent behavior.

Although not required, we strongly recommend that you have adequate renter’s insurance either through your family’s homeowners’ policy or by purchasing a renters’ policy yourself. Many insurance companies sell renters insurance for campus residents. We suggest googling “college renters insurance” as a way to get started looking for the right coverage to select. **Wayne State University does not endorse any insurance company, but we strongly encourage you to consider obtaining insurance to protect you from unexpected costs of damages that may occur.**