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Cc: "Res Life" <Res_Life@brown.edu>
Subject: Option to designate additional preferred neighbors

Dear Students,

We are writing to provide an update about a new option to identify up to three preferred neighbors in the Housing Questionnaire.

This update only affects students living on campus (in Brown-owned or Brown-leased housing), but we are sending this update to all students who were asked to complete the Fall 2020 Location of Study Form since any student can make changes to their location of study until the deadline (11:59 pm EDT on July 15, 2020).

We received clear feedback from students for a preference to be able to identify more than one preferred neighbor, and it is important to us to provide you the best opportunity to build a sense of community, wellbeing, and safety in your residence.

Please note that you would only be assigned near preferred neighbors who mutually identify you as a preferred neighbor. These preferences are not guarantees, but we will make every effort to assign as many mutually identified neighbors near each other as possible.

If you participated in a pre-lottery assignment process in Spring 2020, the section of the Housing Questionnaire where students indicate preferred neighbors is not currently available to you. (These processes include Student Accessibility Services housing accommodations, the Squatting process, Special Interest Housing, Greek and Program Housing, the religious accommodation process, and the Brown-RISD Dual Degree program second-year community.) If you would rather indicate preferred neighbors than be assigned in accordance with your original pre-lottery housing placement, email Res_Life@brown.edu to indicate your preference. This would cancel your prior pre-assigned designation, and you would then be assigned based on the preferences you list on the Housing Questionnaire. Our staff will email you when your request has been processed.

If you have submitted your Fall 2020 Location of Study Form and/or Housing Questionnaire and you do not wish to make any changes or designate additional preferred neighbors, no action is required.

If you submitted your Housing Questionnaire and you would like to change the person you listed as your preferred neighbor, would like to indicate additional preferred

neighbors, or would like to accept additional invitations to be someone's preferred neighbor, these options are now available in the Housing Questionnaire.

As a reminder, you can make changes to your Fall 2020 Location of Study Form, your Meal Plan Selection, and/or your Housing Questionnaire until the deadline at 11:59 pm EDT on July 15, 2020.

Staff will be available to respond to phone and email inquiries when business hours resume at 8:00 am EDT on Monday, July 13. In the meantime, we encourage you to consult the [Residential Life Fall 2020 Opening website](#) where we have updated/added information to our FAQ items. (Several new FAQ items have been added to the "[Off Campus Permission and Waitlist](#)" section.)

Sincerely,

Office of Residential Life

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