

January 27, 2010

Dear Current Ramapo College Residents:

As you know Housing Selection for the fall 2010 semester will be taking place later this spring. The \$200 non refundable Housing Selection deposit is due by February 1, 2010. The housing demand continues to outweigh our capacity. Every year we turn students away because we are unable to provide on campus housing for them at the start of the semester. Unfortunately, it often turns out that we could have placed them in on campus housing due to the numerous vacancies that open up before the start of the fall semester.

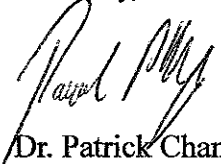
This is a direct outcome of our continuing students who go through Housing Selection and end up withdrawing from Housing but not informing the College until we have already turned students away. The College has approved an increase in the non refundable Housing Deposit to \$500 in order to ensure that those students who go through the Housing Selection process are certain that they want to continue to live in on campus Housing.

We understand the economic times and the difficulty this may place on our residents so this new deposit amount will be assessed in two installments for this year only. The first installment of \$200 will be due as already indicated in previous correspondence sent by the Office of Residence Life on February 1, 2010. The second installment which will be \$300 and considered a confirmation of intent to be a resident of on campus housing in the fall 2010 semester will be due on the last day of the semester May 14, 2010.

In order to maintain the housing assignment obtained through the Housing Selection process later this semester, the additional \$300 confirmation of intent payment for Housing in fall 2010 must be paid by the May 14, 2010 deadline. The \$300 Confirmation of Intent payment can be paid only after March 1, 2010 and not before.

Please be advised that both payments are non refundable. Although the \$200 Housing Deposit and \$300 Confirmation of Intent Payment are not refundable, they are credited toward the Housing Charges on your account for the fall 2010 semester as long as you remain in Housing for the fall 2010 semester. If for any reason you choose to withdraw from housing after you have gone through the Housing Selection process and have made **any** of these required payments you forfeit the amount of these payments regardless if you become a commuter or a non student. We hope that you will consider very carefully whether or not you really intend to live in on campus housing in the fall before you pay the \$200 Housing Deposit and the \$300 Confirmation of Intent payments.

Sincerely,



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