TODAY’S ROAD MAP

• Who We Are and What We Do
• Off-Campus Housing Search
• General Lease Information
• Renter’s Insurance
• Roommate Tips
• Pet Wise
• Getting Connected
• Community Connections
• Transportation Services
OFFICES OF THE
DEAN OF
STUDENT LIFE

Located: Student Services at White Creek – Use Bus Route 3

Off-Campus Student Services
Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center (GLBTRC)
Health Promotion
New Student and Family Programs
Student Assistance Services
Student Conduct Office
Student Legal Services
Student Media
Women’s Resource Center
HOUSING SEARCH: AGGIESEARCH

Search:
- Houses
- Apartment Complexes
- Roommates
- Rooms

Find...
- Place to Live
- Room
- Roommate

Visit https://aggiesearch.tamu.edu to begin searching today!

- Features over 100 properties to search in the Bryan/College Station area.
- Allows you to create a profile and search for roommates in the Bryan/College Station community.
- You can post or look for subleasing opportunities for free.
## AMENITIES LISTING

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### OFF-CAMPUS SURVIVAL MANUAL

- General Housing Information
- Blank Forms
- List of Amenities
# KNOW YOUR LEASE

- **TAA Lease**
- **90% use it**
- **Legally Binding**
- **Guarantor**
- **Know your clauses**
- **Fully, executed copy**

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### Apartment Lease Contract

**Moving In — General Information**

| PARTY | This Lease Contract is between you, the person(s) listed below, and the owner:  
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|

- **PARTIES:** This Lease Contract is between you, the resident(s) listed below, and the owner:  
- **TAA Lease:**  
- **90% use it:**  
- **Legally Binding:**  

**Know your clauses**

- **Fully, executed copy**

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### Special Provisions and “What If” Clauses

**11. UNLAWFUL EARLY MOVE OUT; PRETENATED CHARGE:** If you:  

1. **TAA Lease:**  
2. **90% use it:**  
3. **Legally Binding:**  
4. **Guarantor:**  
5. **Know your clauses**  
6. **Fully, executed copy**
LEASE TYPES

Individual Lease
- Only responsible for your rent
- Relocation Clause

Standard Lease
- Responsible for full lease

Subletting/Replacement
- Associated Fees
- Property Permission
PRACTICES OF A GOOD TENANT

- Read Everything.
- Put Everything in Writing.
- Keep a Copy of Everything.
- Ask Questions!
## MOVE-IN CONDITION INVENTORY FORM

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## PRACTICES OF A GOOD TENANT

### Getting Your Security Deposit Back
- Starts at Move-In

### Move-In Inventory Report
- OCSM pages 29-30
- Complete before unpacking
- Submit within 48 hours
- Keep a copy
PRACTICES OF A GOOD TENANT

Moving Out
- Have to provide notice
- Can be as much as 120 day notice

Vacate Notice Form
- OCSM page 46
- Forwarding Address

Vacate Notice

RESIDENT'S NOTICE OF INTENT TO VACATE

All residents occupying apartment/unit number _____ in ___________ Apartments or the residential unit located at (address) ________ hereby give notice of intent to vacate the unit in agreement with the lease contract on or before the day of __________, 20____. This written notice to vacate is delivered on the ___ day of __________, 20____, to the owner's representative at the place where rent is paid.

All residents acknowledge their security deposit refund shall be governed by the terms and conditions of their lease contract.

Signature of Resident(s) ______________________________ Forwarding Address, if known ______________________________

________________________________ ______________________________

________________________________ ______________________________

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OWNER'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NOTICE TO VACATE

(To be returned and retained by resident)

Receipt by owner on the ___ day of _____, 20____ of resident's written notice of intent to vacate apartment/unit number _____ in ________. Apartments or the residential unit located at (address) ________, on or before the ___ day of ________, 20____. This written notice to vacate is delivered on the ____ day of ________, 20____, is hereby acknowledged.

Owner's representative agrees that the resident's/residents' security deposit refund shall be governed by the terms and conditions of their lease contract. If the resident fails to furnish a forwarding address in writing, then all security deposit refunds, notices and/or determinations may be mailed to the resident at the rental unit which the resident is vacating. This receipt should be retained by resident as verification that a written move-out notice was given.

Owner's Representative or Manager:

________________________________

Signature
RENTER’S INSURANCE

• Why?
  • Protect your personal property
    • Furniture, clothing, vehicle, etc.
    • Landlord is not responsible for personal property damage

• Where can you get it?
  • Local agencies
    • Need estimate of total value
  • Home Owners insurance
PET WISE

1) Pet Deposits and Permission

2) Register pets locally: Brazos County Licenses = $15
ROOMMATES – COMMON PROBLEMS

COMMUNICATION IS KEY
ROOMMATE CONTRACT

• Complete the document prior to move in or within the first two weeks
• Helps to establish clear guidelines and expectations
• Protect yourself from a roommate that might move out early or not pay their portion of the rent and other bills
• All parties should keep a copy of the document
STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES

The purpose of Student Legal Services is to advise and counsel students concerning their legal rights and responsibilities through confidential meetings, publications and seminars.

- Free legal consultation
- Mediation Services
- Notary services
- Will not represent you in court

Call 979.862.4502
Visit: studentlife.tamu.edu/sls
GET INVOLVED

- MSC Open House
  - Sunday, September 1
  - 1pm-5pm
  - Over 1,000 student orgs
COMMUNITY CONNECTION

- **AggieUp**
  - Integrate students into the B/CS community
  - Partnership with UPD/ Bryan PD/CSTAT PD
  - Offer a Noise Abatement Class
- Learn about city and property rules
- Get to know your neighbors

**Neighborhood Relations**

- **LAWN**
- **TRASH**
- **PARKING**
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

- Route information
- Real-time bus locations
- Live bus occupancy rates
- Parking lot information
SHUTTLES

- 8 on-campus routes
- 12 off-campus routes that serve most major apartment complexes along with stops near HEB, Target and Post Oak Mall
- Park-N-Ride Location: First Baptist Church on Welsh
TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL PARKING
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BIKE AND CAR SHARE PROGRAMS

VeoRide – Unlock and ride any of our thousands of dockless bikes anytime

ZipCar – Rent a car for as little as $8.00 per hour

Zimride – Share rides out of town with other Aggies
QUESTION AND ANSWER

• Does calling your property manager and informing them of a repair concern constitute proper notice?

• Would it be a problem for you to bring your dog or cat to your apartment?
• If your roommate leaves in the middle of the semester are you liable for their rent?

• After the last thunderstorm, you realized a leak in the roof caused severe damage to some of your personal property. Who is liable for the damage?
CONTACT US

Student Services @ White Creek
(979) 845-1741
ocss.tamu.edu

If you have any questions, please feel free to call, email, or drop by our office. We are here to support you.