# Pet Friendly Housing Guidelines

In an attempt to offer additional housing options, Juniata College will allow animals (other than fish) in a designated section of college housing (East Houses: Long Miller Towers). This housing option have no connection to the Emotional Support Animal (ESA) process. Students requesting an ESA should reach out to the Office of Student Accessibility Services.

Below are the guidelines for seeking approval for pet-friendly housing in East Houses ONLY (Long/Miller Towers).

# Specifications and Care Guidelines

- Each room in a Long/Miller suite is permitted to have one pet. There is a limit of 2-4 pets per suite.
- The pet options include a dog (no more than 40 lbs.) at full growth, an indoor cat, a rabbit, a rodent (i.e., mouse, rat, hamster, gerbil, or guinea pig), ferret, or a reptile that is not poisonous, venomous, or hallucinogenic.
- All pets must be spayed or neutered at the appropriate age.
- All pets are required to have license or registration as issued by the county.
- The hygiene, health, and vaccinations of each pet must be well maintained. In addition, pet owners are required to regularly bathe their pets, clean litter boxes or container, and dispose of pet waste in an outdoor container.
- Food and water for each pet must be kept inside the suite.
- Solid waste must be properly managed. Specifically, the pet owner must bag solid waste and dispose of it in an outside dumpster.
- Students must make accommodations for their pets if they will be left alone for a significant amount of time (over 12 hours for a dog / 48 hours for a cat). Acceptable accommodations include having the pet boarded, monitored adequately, or kept off campus.

- Dogs cannot be left alone outside. Tying a dog to a fixed object outside will not be permitted.
- All pets are not allowed in academic buildings, Ellis Hall or Kennedy Sport & Recreation
   Center

# Pet Friendly Housing Application and Registration Process

Starting February 26, 2019, students may submit an application for pet-friendly housing via Eagles Nook for the 2019 - 2020 academic year. In addition to completing the application online, the following documents must be submitted to the Office of Residential Life:

- o Signed Pet Owner Registration
- Vaccination certificate/shot record
- Proof of spaying or neutering (If the student has a puppy or kitten, this documentation can be given once the pet is at an appropriate age for this procedure)

The Pet Friendly Housing Application is Due March 15, 2019. All additional materials listed above must be submitted to the Office of Residential Life by June 1, 2019. Approval is not automatic and students must wait for confirmation before bringing their pet to campus. Bringing a pet to campus before approval may result in the pet being confiscated.

### Financial Responsibility

- The student will be billed a pet deposit of \$250 (non-refundable) once the pet is approved.
- Any pet related repairs that are deemed beyond normal wear and tear will be paid for by the
  pet owner (decisions regarding what constitutes "normal wear and tear" are up to the Office
  of Residential Life).
- If the cost of any repair, replacement, or cleaning exceeds the deposit, the pet owner is responsible for the full amount.

## Apartments, Furnishings, Damages and Cleaning

- Prior to a pet's arrival to the suite, an inventory and assessment of the space will be taken.
- The student must report any damage at the time it occurs. These damages will be paid by the pet owner during the year that the damage was reported.

- At the end of academic year, the suite will be thoroughly checked and cleaned. Any damages noted will be paid for by the student.
- The suite will receive customary cleaning treatment by Facilities when the pet owner moves out. Anything necessitating additional cleaning (at the sole discretion of the College) will paid for by the pet owner.
- It will never be the job of the facility services staff (Grounds, Maintenance, or Facilities) to clean up any excrement.

#### Community Guidelines

- Pets must be on a leash or contained in a carrier and accompanied by someone while outside on college property.
- Residents will be made aware of the presence of a pet in the tower. Residents will be informed of their rights to a quiet and healthy environment and will be made aware of the proper complaint process.
- Pet owners will be required to have a pet in residence door sign, signifying to college employees and to other residents that a pet is in the suite. This sign must be on the front entrances to the suite.
- Pets cannot be in other residence halls, even if they are just visiting.
- Visiting other student rooms, hallways and lounges within the tower permitted as long as the pet is on a leash or in a carrier.

### **Complaint Process**

Residents can email complaints and concerns in regard to noise, odor, pests, threat, or danger to the Office of Residential Life. The Office of Residential Life will respond to the complaint and may issue any one or more of the following sanctions:

- Requiring specific reasonable action on the part of the pet owner to rectify a problem.
- Probation of pet owning privileges
- Suspension of pet owning privileges for one or more semesters
- If suspension of pet owning privileges is implemented, the pet owner will be given up to 14 days to alternately place the animal.

## Required Vaccines & Procedures

#### Cats

- Rabies (depends on brand of vaccine initial shot good for one year with boosters being good for 1-3 years depending on the brand).
- Feline Leukemia (yearly after initial series).
- Distemper Series (need 2 vaccinations as a kitten and then follow a set protocol for boosters as they get older. Initial series likely to be good for many years.
- De-worm/Fecal Exam (felines must be de-wormed or have documentation provided for their most recent fecal exam).
- NOTE: Kittens must be at least 12 weeks of age in order to receive their initial Feline
  Leukemia shots. Therefore, kittens younger than 12 weeks old are not permitted to enter Pet
  Friendly Housing for any duration of time without permission from the Office of Residential
  Life.
- Monthly flee treatments.

#### Dogs

- Rabies (depends on brand of vaccine initial shot good for one year with boosters being good for 1-3 years depending on the brand).
- Canine vaccines for Lyme disease
- Distemper vaccine
- Monthly flee treatments.

#### **Ferrets**

- Rabies (first vaccination good for one year and boosters typically good for 3 years, depending on the vaccine used).
- Ferret/Canine Distemper Series (need 3 vaccinations at a few months old and then yearly boosters).

Hamsters, Mice, Guinea Pigs, Rabbits: No approved vaccines available

The following animals are required to be spayed/neutered with proof being provided with the application: Dogs, Cats, and Rabbits

Absolutely no poisonous, venomous, or hallucinogenic animals are allowed in Pet Friendly Housing.



## 2019 – 2020 Pet Owner Registration for Students

Name of Pet Owner:	Student ID #:		
Description of Pet Pet Type: □Dog □Cat □Rabbit	□Ferret □Ro	dent:	_ □Reptile:
Breed:	_ Sex: _		Age:
Anticipated Adult size and weight (app	prox.):		
Color:	Name of Pet:		
Emergency Contact Information  By providing the following information  my pet to veterinarian listed below in	tion, I understand	_	
Veterinarian Name:		Friend Name:	
Phone Number:		Phone Number:	
Address:		Address:	
Assumption of Liability and A I, the undersigned, understand that the injury or damages caused by my pet. I he payments, expenses, costs, attorney's feet to persons caused wholly or in part by, or residence at the college. The College's waccommodation provided in accordance enhancement. Neither Residential Life they assume liability for the actions of the agree to abide by all of these policies. I a revocation of the privilege of pet owner.	College shall not, usereby agree to indees, and all claims are or resulting from notillingness to allow e with ADA, but ranor Juniata College the pet. I have also understand that	emnify and hold Juniand liabilities for losses my pet which will be by residency of my pet ther represents a peresis responsible for suread Juniata College's	ata College harmless from all s or damage to property or injuries living with me in my assigned is not an acknowledgement or sonal preference and quality of life spervising the registered pet, nor do s Pet Ownership Agreement, and I
Signature of Pet Owner		Date	<del></del>