Your son or daughter will soon be making housing plans for the 2013-2014 academic year. We know this can be a stressful time and hope that together we can help guide your son or daughter through the process. We anticipate students will find the on-line housing lottery process to be convenient, secure, easy-to-use and accessible anywhere/anytime.

What is Housing Lottery? Housing Lottery is the process by which our currently registered students select living spaces for the next academic year, choose a meal plan (if living in a residence hall) and sign their 2013-2014 housing contract. Students are required to reside in Wittenberg housing the entire time they are enrolled at Witt. Typically, that means that the first two years are spent in the residence halls and the remaining years (after obtaining 60 credit hours) in a Wittenberg-owned rental house or apartment. The goal of the Housing Lottery is to help Wittenberg students, individually or in roommate groups, to identify the living places that best suit them and establish a rank-order list of preferences to be used when housing assignments are processed in late March and early April. Students who have obtained 60 credit hours may choose to remain in a residence hall and participate in the residence hall lottery, move to Greek chapter houses or participate in the student rental lottery and contract for apartments or houses through our Wittenberg student rental housing program. Students with less than 60 credit hours must reside in a residence hall and participate in the residence hall lottery.

Important lottery dates:

- Tues, Feb 5 & Thurs, Feb 7: Student Rental Info Sessions (eligible students who wish to participate in the rental lottery must attend one)
- Friday, February 8: Renewal Housing website goes live (for students who wish to renew their current rental property contract only)
- Tuesday, February 26: Residence Hall Lottery Info Session
- Monday, March 11: Regular Housing Lottery website goes live
- Sunday, March 17: House Tours for 5, 4 and 1 bedroom units
- Tuesday, March 19: 5 bedroom units assigned
- Thursday, March 21: 4 bedroom units assigned
- Sunday, March 24: House Tours for 2 and 3-bedroom units
- Tuesday, March 26: 3 bedroom units assigned
- Thursday, March 28: 1 and 2 bedroom units assigned
- Wednesday, April 3: Residence hall singles, triples and quads assigned
- Monday, April 8: Residence hall double rooms assigned

Does my son/daughter need to do anything before lottery begins? Yes! Please urge your son or daughter to log onto MyWitt and click on “Student Academic Information” and then on "Registration Priority and Holds". Any type of restriction, such as an unpaid balance on a student account, Dean of Students hold, library fine, etc. will prevent your son or daughter from proceeding through the on-line housing lottery. If they have any type of restriction, such as an unpaid balance on their student account, Dean of Students hold, library fine, etc., they must contact the appropriate office to correct the restriction(s) before proceeding through the housing lottery.

Can my Junior/Senior rent from a private landlord? Jr/Sr students will not be released to live with private landlords unless Wittenberg student rental housing is full. If they choose not to participate in the housing lottery and we still have housing available, they will be required to choose from the remaining houses and apartments. NOTE: Students who have not selected a residence hall or student rental property housing by the conclusion of the lottery process (unless officially released by the Residence Life Office) will be charged the cost of a double residence hall room ($5,056).

We hope this information is helpful to you in understanding your student’s housing options. Please visit www.wittenberg.edu/reslife and click on the “Off Campus Lottery Information” link in the “Rental Properties” section or the “Housing Lottery” link in the “Current Residents” section for further information about the on-line housing lottery. Your son or daughter will also be receiving detailed information about the entire on-line lottery process via Wittenberg e-mails and at the above-noted information sessions (locations and times will be sent to all students’ Witt e-mail).

If you have further questions after viewing the FAQs, please contact:

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