Dear Penn State students,

Thank you for caring about your University community and for your cooperation in returning for your belongings in a safe, orderly way that protects you and the community-at-large. The whole community wants to see students return to in-person classes in the Fall and wants to welcome graduating seniors back for a celebration of their accomplishments. The choices you make when you return to gather your Off-Campus belongings will impact whether and when these aspirations are possible.

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Tenants/Family Member Guide for Off-Campus Move-Out During COVID-19

These guidelines are designed to keep students and community members as safe as possible during this time. As the community looks toward full reopening, the goal is to minimize a rise in COVID-19 cases during the move-out process.

➢ Review these recommendations and check the Pennsylvania Department of Health website for updated guidance and restrictions before leaving home;

➢ Plan with roommates and landlord to stagger move-out dates and times to minimize risk of transmission;

➢ Individuals with a temperature of 100.4 or above are discouraged from participating in move-out activities;

➢ Arrive prepared with the following items: non-surgical masks, disposable gloves, hand sanitizer, and cleaning solutions and supplies;

➢ Always wear a non-surgical mask when outside of rental unit;
➢ Practice social distancing - at least six feet of space between individuals always;

➢ Avoid gathering with individuals outside your household, and practice social distancing when such meetings are unavoidable. Governor Wolfe has restricted the number of individuals who may gather, depending on the phase of the county in the Governor’s reopening plan. (Red counties = 10; Yellow counties = 25);

➢ Coordinate with roommates to divide belongings and furniture ahead of time;

➢ Where appropriate, coordinate the disconnection of utilities ahead of time;

➢ Make all possible efforts to minimize move-out times;

➢ When parking and loading:
  o Do not park next to another car; stagger parking places;
  o Maintain at least six feet from other parked cars/loading zones;

➢ Frequently disinfect commonly used surfaces and items such as handcarts;

➢ Follow no-contact processes to receive keys and other items (use mail slots, bins);

➢ If a move-out checklist must be completed, practice social distancing, while wearing masks, and complete quickly (5 minutes or less);

➢ There will be roll off dumpsters to dispose of large items such as furniture and other bulk items at numerous locations in State College Borough. Be sure to practice social distancing and other COVID-19 safety precautions;

➢ The Schlow Memorial Library Drop Box is open to return library books;

➢ If a delayed move-out or storage solution is desired, please contact your landlord for potential options; and

➢ If any individual shows sudden onset of illness, including a high temperature, and needs medical attention, do the following:
  o If an emergency, call 911, or
  o If not an emergency and a Penn State student shows sign of illness, call University Health Services Advice Nurse line at 814-863-4463.
    ■ This is a required screening before scheduling a UHS appointment.

For more information, visit Pennsylvania Department of Health’s website:
https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx