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Scranton, PA 18509
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Dear Student and Parents:

WELCOME TO LACKAWANNA COLLEGE. We are pleased that you have chosen our college and will be living in one of our residence halls. Residence hall living has many distinct advantages including close proximity to classes and programs, a safe monitored environment, and belonging to a community. All of these factors contribute to enhanced academic and personal success.

Lackawanna College is now accepting requests for campus housing. Your \$375 resident commitment fee serves as an application for campus housing which is a requirement for any student not living with his/her parents or legal guardian.

Before a student is eligible for housing, all admission requirements must be fulfilled. For transfer students, an official transcript must also be on file with the college before a registration can be processed. Additionally, the following documents located in this packet need to be completed and returned before a room assignment will be made.

1. Lackawanna College Housing Contract (*Read carefully, sign and return the contract agreement*).
2. Roommate Matching Form
3. Consent for Random Testing for Drugs and Alcohol
4. Alcohol Policy Form
5. Student Health Record
6. Physical Examinations, Health History, and Student Immunization Record (*These forms must be completed by your healthcare provider.*)
7. Medical Release Form (*Please be sure to complete ALL required signatures. This form allows for emergency medical treatment and release of medical history to a provider.*)
8. Meningitis Vaccine Waiver Form (*Meningitis vaccination, or a signed waiver form is required in the state of Pennsylvania for ALL students living in college housing.*)

Mail all completed forms to:

Lackawanna College
Office of Housing and Residence Life
501 Vine Street
Scranton, PA 18509

If you prefer, you can fax all documents to (570) 955-1502 or email krisiakj@lackawanna.edu.

Before you sign and return your contract, please read it carefully. A new provision, criminal background checks of all resident applicants, has been approved by our Board of Trustees and is explained in the contract in Section 1.D. This requirement has been implemented to ensure the safety of all on our campus.

Information on our residence halls, including our move-in guide and annual housing calendar, can be found on our website: <https://www.lackawanna.edu/>.

Final room and roommate assignments will not be made until all required forms are completed and returned. Therefore, time is of the essence.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Krisiak

Director of Student Engagement and Housing

(570) 504-1760

Check out our social media pages at:

<https://www.facebook.com/LCstudentengagement>

and Instagram [@EngagementLC](#)

*Remember that “liking” our page gives you access to us,
but does not allow us to access your page.*

LACKAWANNA COLLEGE HOUSING CHECKLIST

Before a student is eligible for Housing, all admission requirements must be fulfilled. Once this step is satisfied, the following documents, listed below, need to be completed and returned before a room assignment will be made.

Housing Forms:

_____ Lackawanna College Housing Contract, read and return SIGNED contract

_____ Roommate Matching form

Health Record Forms:

_____ Student Health Record form

_____ Physical Exam form

_____ Health History form

_____ Student Immunization Record form

_____ Meningitis Waiver form

_____ Medical Record Release form

_____ Review Drug and Alcohol Policy

_____ Return SIGNED Consent for Random Drug Testing

_____ Return SIGNED Alcohol Policy form

Miscellaneous:

_____ Be registered as a full-time student

_____ Make sure everything is in order with the Financial Aid Office/Business Office

_____ Be registered as a full-time on-ground student

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Toll Free Telephone Number: (877) 346-3552

Mailing Address

Lackawanna College
Office of Student Engagement and Housing
501 Vine Street
Scranton, PA 18509

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All documents become the property of Lackawanna College

HOUSING CONTRACT

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Lackawanna College does hereby undertake to allow residence occupancy by Student while Student continues to qualify to live in the College residence hall.

I. Eligibility Requirements for College Housing

- A.** Student must be a registered, on-ground full-time student, and maintain a minimum enrollment of twelve credit hours. Otherwise, Student must have written permission from the Vice President for Student Affairs to continue occupancy.
- B.** All full-time students who do not commute from the home of their parent, legal guardian, or spouse must reside in campus housing when they are actively enrolled in college courses. Commuting distance is defined as 30 miles from campus or less for student athletes and 45 miles or less for non-athletes. This policy applies to any time of enrollment, including summer sessions and intersession.
- C.** Student must comply with College and Residence Hall regulations governing the conduct of Students which are now in effect and any that may be adopted and published during the term of this housing contract, subject to change without notice. A copy of the current version of these regulations is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- D.** In order to continue to provide a safe living environment for all resident students, Lackawanna College has established a policy that requires a background check to be conducted on all resident student applicants. These background checks will provide the college with valuable information that will enable our administration to identify previous criminal convictions that were committed by prospective students. Certain convictions would restrict them from becoming part of our residential community. The college has created a residence committee that will determine if any criminal convictions disqualify a student from becoming a resident. A student who has been disqualified from housing eligibility will be notified by the Dean of Students within seven business days. We hope this policy will provide a safer environment for all students, as well as confidence in the fact that Lackawanna College is a proactive safety oriented institution. Background checks will be conducted once the resident commitment deposit is paid and before each semester during the student's time of enrollment at the college.

II. Terms of Contract

- A.** This contract covers only those time periods during the academic term(s), as designated by the College, and does not include vacation periods except for sports camps and international students
- B.** No room shall be occupied by a Student returning prior to the time and date published by the Associate Vice President for Student Engagement.
- C.** No room shall be occupied by a Student during any vacation period without prior written approval from the Associate Vice President for Student Engagement.
- D.** A resident student must leave the campus by 11:00 PM on the last day of final examinations each semester and may not return prior to the official reopening date.
- E.** A resident student who voluntarily ceases to participate or is no longer eligible to participate in College sanctioned extra-curricular activity(s) must vacate the residence hall within 24 hours of the cessation of

involvement in the activity, if the college is not in session. The resident may not return to the residence hall until the College is again in session.

F. Winter Break all students are required to remove all personal items from their rooms unless the following requirements are met:

1. Students must be registered for the Spring semester
2. Fall semester financial responsibility must be paid if full
3. First payment for the Spring semester must be paid before the start of final exams
4. Student must be in good academic standing

In Addition:

ALL VALUABLES MUST BE REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES DURING ANY VACATION OR BREAK. THE COLLEGE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOSS, THEFT, OR BREAKAGE OF ANY PERSONAL ITEM BELONGING TO A RESIDENT. Any items not removed will be considered abandoned and will be discarded after 30 days, or the beginning day and date of the next semester or session, whichever comes first.

III.Termination of /Release from Contract

- A.** College may terminate this contract and take possession of the room at any time for violation of College or Residence Hall regulations.
- B.** College may terminate this contract if Student's general behavior in the residence hall, over a period of time, indicates Student is not able to, nor willing to adjust to the requirements of group living, as determined through College judicial procedures. These procedures are outlined in the Student Handbook and the Residence Life Handbook.
- C.** College may terminate this contract if Student has been reported by faculty for all enrolled classes as never attending or stopped attending classes.
- D.** College reserves the right to reassign or remove any student from the Residence Hall who has exhibited unacceptable behavior or disregard for the residential community, the terms and conditions of residence hall occupancy, or other College rules and regulations, to include but not limited to the Student Code of Conduct or mandatory meal plan participation. In addition, the College reserves the right to reassign or remove any student from the residence hall (or specific room) due to the need to consolidate residence hall space.
- E.** If Student's contract is terminated during the course of this contract for any reason, by the College's or Student's choice, there will be no refund of room charges or mandatory meal plan charges.
- F.** This Housing Contract is signed and binding for the entire academic year. Any release from this agreement is permitted only under the conditions of academic withdrawal, dismissal, verified medical reasons, or other extreme extenuating circumstances, and only with the written approval of the Associate Vice President for Student Engagement. Any request for release must be submitted in writing to the Associate Vice President for Student Engagement and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, at the College's sole discretion.
- G.** By the end of the spring semester, all residents must remove ALL belongings from the residence hall within 24 hours after the last day and date of the semester/session in question. Any item not removed will be considered abandoned and will be discarded after 30 days, or the beginning day and date of the

next semester or session, whichever occurs first. Students dismissed from college for disciplinary reasons must vacate the residence hall by noon on the day the dismissal letter is received. If the dismissal is overturned through the appeal process, the student will be allowed to return to the residence hall. If the dismissal is upheld by the Judicial Board, the student is required to remove his/her belongings immediately. If unable to do so, belongings must be collected within 30 business days. After that, they will be considered abandoned and will be discarded.

IV. Termination of Occupancy at End of Contract

A. Student hereby agrees upon termination of occupancy:

1. To leave the room in the same condition as it was when first occupied by Student at the beginning of the term, except for normal wear and tear.
2. To remove all personal belongings from the room and to sweep up and deposit properly bagged trash in an appropriate container or dumpster.
3. To leave all college-owned furniture and furnishings in the room in good condition and properly assembled.
4. To satisfy all College financial obligations.

V. Conditions of Occupancy

All rules and regulations governing student conduct may be changed, published and distributed to students during the term of the contract without prior notice.

These regulations have been instituted by the College to ensure that students, present and future, may have safe and comfortable accommodations and that the rights and welfare of all students will be protected. While the reasons for most regulations are obvious, students should not hesitate to contact the Director of Student Engagement and Housing if they desire clarification of the regulations. Violation of these regulations may result in disciplinary action consistent with the Student Code of Conduct or as elsewhere stated in this contract.

RESIDENCE HALL CHECK-OUT POLICY

All students living on campus must complete one of the following options to check out of their room before leaving for the semester. Students must vacate their rooms within 24 hours of completing their last final, or by 11 p.m. on the last Friday of finals week, whichever comes first.

1ST OPTION: TRADITIONAL CHECK-OUT

- Complete all items on the attached Check-Out Checklist.
- Schedule a check-out time with an RA. RAs will have schedules with their available times posted on their doors one week before final exams begin. Check-out times must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance.
- The RA will confirm the condition of the room and ensure there are no issues.
- The RA will take your key(s) and give you a copy of the completed Check-Out Confirmation form.

2ND OPTION: EXPRESS CHECK-OUT

- Pick up an Express Check-Out envelope from your Residence Hall Director's office. Envelopes will be available one week before final exams begin.
- Fill out the envelope with your name, room number, and room condition details.
- Place your key(s) in the envelope and return it to your Residence Hall Director or RA.

Please note that all students who choose Express Check-Out agree to waive their rights to dispute any room condition or cleaning charges.

Also, please be aware of the following:

- Students who do not return all key(s) distributed may be charged for key and lock replacement.
- Students who do not empty, clean, and properly defrost their MicroFridge® may be charged cleaning fees. An instructional magnet is attached to each unit.
- Students who fail to check out using one of these two methods will be charged \$300 for an improper check-out, in addition to any other charges for keys, damages or cleaning.

RESIDENCE HALL REGULATIONS

Highlighted below are regulations of particular concern to resident students. Violation of any of these policies can result in expulsion from the dormitory and/or the College. **This is not an all-inclusive list of rules and regulations! Additional regulations will be published as promulgated.**

DRUG and ALCOHOL POLICY: No student, regardless of age, is permitted to consume and/or possess alcoholic beverages or controlled substances on College premises or at College sponsored events. This is to include possession of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances by the student in the Residence Hall or elsewhere. Any and all items of this nature found in the possession of a student will be confiscated by the Lackawanna College Public Safety department and in all cases, the College will pursue a course of action designed to promote the well-being of the student, protect the welfare of the college community, and demonstrate respect for federal and state laws. Behavior or misconduct resulting from the use or abuse of alcohol or illegal drugs by a student or group of students on or off campus is also a violation of the College's Alcohol and Drug Policy and may be subject to judicial action as well as the applicable state or local law.

DRUG TESTING POLICY: To provide a residence environment free of hazards that would impede the resident student's academic progress, the Lackawanna College Drug Testing program has been implemented to provide a safe and healthy environment for all our students who live on campus. Any resident student making an application for resident housing must sign a drug testing consent form prior to taking up residence on campus. Drug testing is performed randomly on a year-round basis. Students will be tested at random intervals and for cause which may either be announced or unannounced. The testing will be required at the sole discretion of the College. There are no exceptions to this policy.

Each prospective student will be provided with a copy of the drug testing policy and procedure and will be required to sign the form acknowledging receipt of and consent to the policy and procedures. This is a part of the required admission procedure. Applications for admission to the space cannot be processed without the signed acknowledgement form. Each student will also receive a drug testing consent form. The signed consent must be returned to the College prior to the student's arrival and acceptance as a resident student at Lackawanna College and will not be confirmed until the executed consent form is received and on file. Students, who refuse to submit to drug testing, when requested by appropriate college administrators, will be expelled from the residence hall and the College.

TOBACCO POLICY: No student regardless of age is permitted to consume tobacco, smokeless tobacco or vaping products (i.e. juul, e-cigarettes) in College buildings. These areas include but are not limited to residence halls, residence hall rooms and all other campus buildings. Students found in possession of any paraphernalia (ashtrays/spittoons) that would indicate use of these items in restricted areas will be found in violation of College policy.

- A. WEAPONS, EXPLOSIVES, AND OTHER DANGEROUS ITEMS POLICY:** The on-campus (licensed or illegal) possession, storing, carrying, or use of any weapon (or replicas), implements used as weapons, or other dangerous items including, but not limited to, firearms, ammunition, explosives, fireworks, martial arts paraphernalia, knives (except for kitchen use) pistols, rifles, shotguns, handguns, air guns, pellet or BB guns, paintball guns, stun guns, potato guns, slingshots, balloon launchers, or tattoo needles and equipment. Any item of any kind found in possession of a student anywhere on College property will be confiscated and turned over to the proper authorities as evidence. Possession of a weapon will lead to

discipline including, but not limited to, fines, probation, student wellness, and/or immediate dismissal from the College. If a student is dismissed from the College for a weapons possession offense, there will be no appeal, unless granted on a case-by-case basis, by the President of the College or his/her designee. Criminal prosecution may be brought by Lackawanna College.

- B. **COMBUSTIBLES:** The College prohibits combustibles to include, but not limited to, incense, candles, matches lighters, sparklers, fireworks or other flammable items. **Any items in violation of this provision found in possession of a student will be confiscated and destroyed following the protocol stated above. Fines may also be imposed.**
- C. **QUIET HOURS:** To maintain conditions conducive to academic achievement, established QUIET HOURS in the residence hall will be observed by all students. Disturbing noises during these hours will not be tolerated, and will subject the offender to a fine and/or discipline.
- D. **LOSS OR DAMAGE: THE COLLEGE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR STUDENT'S PROPERTY AND ENCOURAGES ALL STUDENTS TO CARRY APPROPRIATE PROPERTY INSURANCE. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE COLLEGE BE LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGE, THEFT, OR LOSS OF THE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF A STUDENT.**
- E. **CARE OF ROOMS:** Students are expected to keep their rooms clean and to cooperate in keeping hallways and bath areas in satisfactory condition. Mattresses must remain on the bed frame which, in turn, must remain on the floor. College furniture or equipment is not to be removed or added to rooms without permission of the Director of student Engagement and Housing. Rooms not meeting required health and safety standards will be corrected by the College and billed to the student. Waste of any sort, i.e. trash, food, papers, must be removed from each residence hall room on a daily basis. Trash bins and dumpsters are provided for this purpose. At no time should there be open containers of food left unattended in residence hall rooms. All food stored in residence hall rooms must be kept in sealed containers. Designated Lackawanna College staff will conduct inspections at random to ascertain compliance. Disposal of debris and/or food will occur if non-compliance is found. The student/resident found to be non-compliant will be fined and/or disciplined. All charges incurred to clean the area will be levied against the student found to be in breach of this policy.

Any objects such as decals, pictures, stickers, etc. that are fastened to the walls, doors, woodwork or ceilings of rooms or hallways must be removable without damage to paint or furnished surfaces of the room. No decals, pictures, signs, posters, or other items visible from outside shall be attached or placed next to windows. Contact paper is forbidden, as are cellophane, tape and heavy packaging tape. Writing instruments must not be used on any building surfaces. In addition, students must not decorate their rooms with combustible materials, or be in possession of incense, candles, or other flammable items. Personal refrigerators are prohibited. Microfridges will be provided by the college. All other appliances, including microwave ovens, toasters, toaster ovens, grills, hot plates, or any other cooking device are expressly forbidden in residence hall rooms.

Confiscation Policy: Any appliance in violation of this provision, found in possession of a student, shall be confiscated and held until the end of the current semester by the College. The appliance will be returned to the student at the end of the semester, on the condition that the appliance is immediately removed from the premises. Any appliances in violation of this provision found in possession of a student a second time will be confiscated and not returned. Fines will also be imposed.

- F. INSPECTIONS:** Room Inspections will be conducted as needed for health, safety and maintenance reasons. The right is reserved for designated College employees to enter any room at any time for any reasonable purpose. Included in this, a College Official may enter a student room any time the official has reason to believe that a violation of any College rule or regulation is occurring or has occurred. Random health and safety inspections will be conducted at the discretion of the College. If a room is found to be in substandard condition, the student(s)/resident(s) will be given written notice and will have 24 hours to rectify the deficiencies. If this has not occurred, the College reserves the right to correct any and all deficiencies and charge the student(s)/resident(s) for all costs associated with the cleaning and/or repair. If the room cannot be brought up to standard during the then current semester, the responsible student will be evicted from the Residence Hall with no refund for unused fees, to include, but not limited to room charges or mandatory meal plan payments
- G. ASSESSMENT FOR DAMAGE:** Residents will be held responsible for any damage done to their rooms or any part of the residence hall and its equipment. Any damage other than normal wear and tear will be billed to all residents of a particular living area at the time that it occurs. The cost will be equally divided among all residents in that area.
- H. RESIDENCE HALL DOORS:** The entrance doors leading to living areas of residence halls are locked at all times for the security of the residents. Students are also required to lock their individual room doors and floor/quad access doors. PLEASE NOTE: Entrances to PUBLIC AREAS of residence halls, at times, may be open and unsecured. This concern is mainly limited to Seeley Hall. Propping doors or tampering with doors or locking systems is an offense that can lead to residence hall expulsion and/or fines.
- I. ROOM CHANGES:** Room assignment changes may be requested during the first three weeks of each semester. A Room Change Request form can be obtained from residence hall directors. The Director of Student Engagement and Housing must grant final approval.
- J. VISITATION:** Visiting hours will be posted and stringently enforced. Visitors under the age of 18 will not be allowed access to residence hall rooms. Common areas are available for visitation purposes.
- K. HEALTH RECORDS:** Students will not be permitted to receive a housing assignment until a completed health record is on file in the office of the Director of Student Engagement and Housing. Forms must be completed by the student's primary health care provider. Once received all student health and immunization records become college property and cannot be released to any person for any reason.
- L. MANDATORY MEAL PLAN PARTICIPATION:** Students will not be permitted to receive a housing assignment until participation in the mandatory meal plan is documented. All meal plan payments or documented financial aid for meals must be in place with the business office prior to provision of a housing assignment.
- M. FALSE ALARMS:** Any student who, in the College residence halls, through smoking, use of prohibited items, or deliberate malice or neglect causes the alarms to sound and the fire company to be dispatched to the residence hall will be responsible for the fee levied by the fire department for the visit to the residence hall. Deliberately causing a fire alarm, with malicious intent, is a criminal offense, and the responsible student may be dismissed from the College. *(The fine levied by the Fire Department for a false alarm offense is \$1,000 and is subject to change without notice.)*
- N. CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATIONS:** The College's Code of Conduct and Discipline and Dismissal Policy are published in the Student Handbook and in the Residence Life Handbook. The resident student is

expected to be familiar with all policies, as well as the sanctions, listed in the handbooks, that can be imposed for violations. Signing this contract indicates this awareness.

- O. RESIDENCE LIFE SAFETY ISSUES:** Students are forbidden to tamper with windows, smoke detectors, sprinklers, ceiling light fixtures, ceiling tile grids, fire extinguishers, baffles or vents, locks, door closers or any other equipment installed to maintain the safety, health and/or welfare of the resident students. Tampering includes, but is not limited to, removing the safety devices in the windows, locks or door closers, taping the inside of the smoke detectors, covering same, or otherwise causing them to be inoperable, defacing fire station covers, discharging (unless there is a fire emergency) or disarming fire extinguishers, hanging anything from the ceiling grids, to include clothing, sheets, drapes or any other type curtain or screen limiting visibility anywhere within the confines of said room, covering or blocking air vents or baffles, as well as placing furniture in walkways or doorways inside the room.
- All students residing in any room found to have life safety violations will be subject to disciplinary action to include, but not limited to, fines, suspension and/or dismissal from college. Assessment of fines or other disciplinary measures will be attributed to EVERY student residing in the living area in which the infractions occur. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- P. IMMUNIZATION:** Lackawanna College is committed to maintaining and protecting the wellness of its students. Below is a listing of required and recommended immunizations for your reference and that of your healthcare provider. Evidence of required immunizations must be included with the student's health records.

REQUIRED VACCINATIONS

- _____ Two Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR) immunizations
- _____ Polio vaccine
- _____ Mantoux test for tuberculosis
- _____ Meningitis

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED VACCINATIONS

- _____ Tetanus-diphtheria (within the past 10 years)
- _____ Hepatitis B (a three-shot series)
- _____ Varicella (if you have not contracted Chicken Pox)

- Q. Leave Due to Medical Exigency:** If a physician determines that a student requires medical treatment for physical health, mental health, or substance abuse during a semester and is unable to continue in his or her coursework, the College has mechanisms in place to protect the student's academic and financial status, as follows:
- a.** If a student requires medical treatment for more than 14 calendar days, he or she will be unable to continue in on-ground courses. If a student requires medical treatment for more than 7 calendar days, he or she will be unable to continue in online courses.
 - b.** If a student misses up to 14 calendar days of an on-ground class and/or up to 7 days of an online class for medical treatment, a member of the Academic Success Office will assist the student in developing an academic plan to catch up on missed work and assignments upon the student's

return. The Dean of Student Success will collaborate with faculty members, tutors, and the Student Wellness Office to create an individualized plan for the student's re-entry into coursework.

- c. If a student requires medical treatment for more than 14 consecutive calendar days (and/or 7 days for an online class) during the first three weeks of the semester, the student will be "dropped" from classes as if he or she never attended and given a full refund.
- d. If a student requires medical treatment for more than 14 consecutive calendar days (and/or 7 days for an online class) after 70% of the semester or term is complete, the Student Wellness Office will initiate the Incomplete Policy on the student's behalf for all classes in which the student has a passing grade. Per the College's Incomplete Policy, the student will have 30 days from the end of the semester to complete coursework. Otherwise, the Incomplete turns to an F. If a student chooses not to pursue an Incomplete at the time of initiation of the medical leave or if the student does not have a passing grade in a course or courses, he or she may withdraw without academic penalty.
- e. If a student requires medical treatment for more than 14 consecutive calendar days (and/or 7 days for an online class) between week 3 and the 70% mark of the semester (Week 11), the student will be withdrawn without academic penalty.
- f. In all cases, if a student chooses to return to the College at any point after his or her medical leave, the Academic Success Office will create an individualized support plan.

- R. RESIDENT PARKING:** Resident students CANNOT park their personal vehicle on college property. On-campus parking is restricted to full time staff, faculty (including selective adjuncts) and commuter students only. Penalties for parking violations will include ticketing, fines, and towing. Resident students are encouraged to contact their Financial Aid Counselor to determine if there are funds available to pay for off-campus parking. Local parking garages provide competitive monthly charges.

LACKAWANNA COLLEGE HOUSING CONTRACT

2020 - 2021

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Class Year: _____ 1st Year _____ 2nd Year (as of Fall Semester)
_____ 3rd Year _____ 4th Year

This Housing contract is a formal understanding entered into by the student and Lackawanna College. The contract is binding for the entire Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters unless the student graduates or withdraws from the College.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the Housing Contract attached to this form. Furthermore, I agree to be legally bound to the terms and conditions as stated.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Housing and Residence Life Staff: _____ Date: _____

FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 at time of signature

The undersigned parent/guardian of the named student does hereby guarantee that the student will fully perform and abide by the Housing contract attached to this form and hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless Lackawanna College against any loss, claims, obligations, liabilities, costs, expenses, and reasonable attorney's fees arising from the student's failure to perform or abide by such contract.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please sign and return this form to the Office of Housing and Residence Life.

ROOMMATE MATCHING FORM

Name: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Major: _____

Check one: _____ New Student _____ Returning Student

I would like to request a specific roommate: _____

Roommates are placed together only if both parties request each other and space permits.

The kind of music I most like to listen to is: (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Hard Rock	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jazz	<input type="checkbox"/>	Country	<input type="checkbox"/>	Soft Rock
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rap	<input type="checkbox"/>	Progressive	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternative	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pop
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reggae	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify): _____				

Is it important to live with someone who likes the same kind of music? _____ Yes _____ No

SLEEPING

I like to get up early, before 8 a.m. _____ Yes _____ No

I like to go to sleep by 11 p.m. _____ Yes _____ No

I need it totally dark to sleep. _____ Yes _____ No

I sleep with music or the television on. _____ Yes _____ No

STUDYING

I like to study early in the evening. _____ Yes _____ No

I can study with music playing or the television on. _____ Yes _____ No

Please continue to the next page.

I will play on the following teams:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Football	<input type="checkbox"/>	Basketball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Baseball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wrestling
<input type="checkbox"/>	esports	<input type="checkbox"/>	Softball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Volleyball	<input type="checkbox"/>	Soccer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cross Country	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ice Hockey	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cheerleading	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please indicate any medical concerns the Residence Life staff should be aware of:

PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

It is the mission of this college to provide a safe and secure environment for both students and staff. The Departments of Public Safety and Student Engagement are tasked with the primary enforcement and implementation of these mandates.

The purpose of this notice is to reinforce the College's policy regarding prohibited substances. The consequences of the possession, use, or distribution of prohibited substances can greatly affect not only a student's academic standing, but his/her future in the community and society in general. Lackawanna College's Drug Policy is found in the Student Handbook. Random drug testing and mandatory counseling/educational programs are some of the components of this policy. Depending on the severity of the incident(s), dismissal and/or criminal prosecution from college is a possible outcome.

Illegal drug use and/or possession of a controlled substance can also have criminal penalties. For students over the age of eighteen, an arrest will result in a criminal record. This criminal record can affect future job/career opportunities, especially in the areas of education and government service.

In order to foster a safe living and learning environment for all our students, the college will increase the frequency of health and safety checks throughout each residence hall and re-implement random drug screening. In partnership with state and local law enforcement, the college will use other tools available to keep our students safe and secure. These tools include, but are not limited to, seminars presented by the local drug task force, interaction with community police officers, and the use of drug dogs. Additional information may be found in: PA Act 64 aka "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act"

LACKAWANNA COLLEGE DRUG TESTING POLICY

Lackawanna College is dedicated to the health, welfare and safety of each student it serves. To this end, the College is committed to providing each of its resident students and student-athletes with a drug free environment in which to live, study and socialize. From a safety perspective, the use of drugs and/or alcohol may impair the well-being of these students and interfere with the resident's living condition.

Therefore, since the College is responsible for the welfare of each student and specifically responsible to provide a residence environment free of hazards that would impede the resident student's academic progress, the Lackawanna College Drug Testing Program has been implemented to provide a safe and healthful environment for all our students who live on campus.

For the purposes of this Drug Testing Policy, Controlled Substance shall be those substances prohibited by Pennsylvania's Controlled Substance, Drug, device and Cosmetic Act, 35 P.S. §780-101, et seq. and particular Section 4 of the Act (35 P.S. §780-104) and Drug Paraphernalia shall be those products, materials, and equipment as defined in Section 2 of the Act (35 P.S. §780-102).

Every student making an application for resident housing must sign a drug consent form prior to taking up residence on campus. A copy of the drug testing policy and procedure, as well as a testing consent form, is included in the packet of materials sent to prospective resident students. This form will stand for the student's entire time of enrollment at the College. Drug testing is performed randomly on a year-round basis. Students will be tested at random intervals and for cause which may either be announced or unannounced. The testing will be required at the sole discretion of the College. There are no exceptions to this policy. All resident students will be required to comply. The student will be required to provide breath, blood, and saliva and/or urine specimens for the purpose of analysis. If the student is less than 18 years of age, the parent or legal guardian must sign the drug testing consent form in addition to the student. The signed consent must be returned to the College prior to the student's arrival.

Each prospective resident student will be provided with a copy of the drug testing policy and procedure and a consent form. These materials are included in the packet of materials sent to prospective resident students and completion of the consent form is part of the required admission procedure. Applications for admission to the residence hall space cannot be processed without the signed consent form.

Students, who refuse to submit to drug testing, when requested by appropriate college administrators, will be expelled from the residence hall and the College, without benefit of appeal. Failure to produce a specimen within the standard collection time, as established by the collection agent, will be considered a refusal, as will leaving the facility at any time before providing the specimen. Further, if the student supplies a specimen that does not meet the requirements of the vendor, it shall be deemed a refusal, resulting in dismissal.

A program of education on drug use and abuse will be provided to the students residing in each residence hall and will include, but not be limited to, discussion of the drug testing policy and distribution of educational materials concerning the abuse of illegal drugs and alcohol.

The College will include the policy and procedure for Drug Testing in the College catalog, the student handbook, Residence Life Handbooks and other pertinent College publications to ensure adequate notice and distribution. As stated previously, a copy of the policy and procedure will be mailed to each applicant at the time of application.

It must be understood that the College cannot protect an offender against any penalties of law. Law enforcement officers, when armed with proper documents, have a legal right to search any and all buildings and personal space on campus without prior notice.

PENALTIES FOR POSITIVE DRUG TEST RESULTS

1st Offense

- 1.** Meeting with a member of the Office of Dean of Students to schedule with Student Wellness program within three days of notification. Failure to meet within this time frame will result in a 2nd offense level status.
- 2.** \$ 75 Fine

3. Probation Status
4. Suspension from all collegiate activity (including a minimum one game athletic suspension) until the active participation and/or satisfactory completion of the sanctions outlined below as determined by the Dean of Students and the Student Wellness Program.
5. Community service or service learning may be assigned /required by the Dean of Students and/or the Student Wellness Program.
6. Academic Success Coach may be assigned/required by the Dean of Students and/or the Student Wellness Program.
7. Participation in the Substance Abuse Assessment Procedure through the Student Wellness Program.
8. Student must follow through with all recommendations to meet the satisfactory completion of these sanctions.

2nd Offense

1. Meeting with a member of the Office of the Dean of Students within three days of notification. Failure to meet within this time frame will result in a 3rd offense level status.
2. \$150 fine
3. Probation Status
4. Suspension from all collegiate activity (including a one game minimum athletic suspension) until the active participation and/or satisfactory completion of the sanctions outlined below as determined by the Dean of Students and the Student Wellness Program
5. Community service or service learning may be assigned /required by the Dean of Students and/or the Student Wellness Program
6. Participation in a re-evaluation process to include a substance abuse assessment through the Student Wellness Program
 - a. Student must follow through with all recommendations to meet the satisfactory completion of these sanctions.
 - b. Mandatory retest within four weeks of the second positive test as recommended by the Student Wellness Program, Student Health/Scranton Primary Health Care, substance abuse treatment provider or Dean of Students
7. If Student was recommended for treatment services following his/her 1st drug offense the Dean of Students will review treatment progress and determine if extenuating circumstances exist.
8. If the Student is not actively participating in treatment he/she may be dismissed from the College without appeal.
9. If the Student is actively pursuing treatment he/she may be dismissed from any extracurricular activities and forfeit all scholarship monies.

3rd Offense

Seen by the College Administration as cause for dismissal without appeal

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING PERTAINS TO ALL STUDENTS WITH DRUG OFFENSES

- Any student who misses any scheduled appointments without advance notification to the appropriate office will be fined \$25, given 7 a.m. community service, and may result in the student being moved to the next level of offense. They also must reschedule within 24 hours and refusal may result in dismissal from the College with appeal.
- Missing more than one scheduled appointment will result in additional \$25 fine, 7 a.m. community service, and may result in dismissal with appeal. Refusal to attend constitutes refusal and will result in dismissal with appeal.
- The student must sign consent forms allowing the Dean of Students to have access to the necessary information from the Student Wellness Program, Scranton Primary Health Care/Student Health Services, or other treatment provider, including a record of attendance, prognosis, and expected completion date. Failure to sign these consents will result in dismissal from the College without appeal.
- The student will be responsible for all costs of counseling or treatment services recommended.
- Additional referral for treatment services and/or further discipline includes, but is not limited to, medical leave of absence and/or potential dismissal.

EXCEPTION TO THIS POLICY: Any student testing positive for Phencyclidine (PCP) or any substance that can contribute to violent behavior and threaten the safety of others will be subject to dismissal from the College without appeal, regardless of the stage of testing. Any student-testing positive for a controlled substance that has the potential to produce violent behavior will be referred to the Dean of Students for review. As part of this review, the Dean will consult with the Student Wellness Program to determine a course of action, which may include a recommendation of dismissal to the President of the College.

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CONSENT FOR RANDOM DRUG TESTING

I, _____, CERTIFY THE FOLLOWING TO BE TRUE:
(print student name)

1. I have signed a contract to reside in a Lackawanna College residence hall during the current school year and/or I will be participating in Intercollegiate Athletics with the College.
2. I have been informed of Lackawanna College's policies on drug and alcohol use.
3. I have been informed of the nature of the tests and the procedure involved in doing those tests.

I AGREE:

1. To provide blood, saliva, breath, and/or urine samples to representatives of Lackawanna College or their designee upon request.
2. That the results of tests of my blood and/or urine may be provided to Lackawanna College.
3. That if I test positive for prohibited drug or alcohol use, I will abide by the College's protocol for counseling and rehabilitation, and
4. That if counseling and rehabilitation fail to end my use of drugs and/or alcohol in violation of Lackawanna College's policies on drug and alcohol use, I agree to abide by the College's protocols that are in place to protect the health, welfare, and safety of the Lackawanna College Community.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Witnessed By: _____ Date: _____

FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 at time of signature

The undersigned parent/guardian of the named student does hereby guarantee that the student will fully perform and abide by the College's Drug Testing Policy and hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless Lackawanna College against any loss, claims, obligations, liabilities, costs, expenses, and reasonable attorney's fees arising from the student's failure to perform or abide by such policy.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ALCOHOL POLICY

Lackawanna College does not condone the use of alcohol and prohibits the use or possession of alcohol on campus. Possession, use or consumption of alcohol or public drunkenness on any College property is strictly prohibited and can lead to disciplinary action, including separation from the College. **Being present where an alcohol violation is occurring is treated as possession.** Open canisters apply as well, and will be treated as alcohol violations.

If a student is found to be in violation of the Alcoholic Beverage Policy, the minimum sanctions include:

1st Offense:

1. Meeting with a member of the Office of Dean of Students to schedule with Student Wellness program within three days of notification.
Failure to meet within this time frame will result in a 2nd offense level status
2. \$50 Fine
3. Probation status
4. Suspension from all collegiate activity (including a minimum one game athletic suspension) until the active participation and/or satisfactory completion of the sanctions outlined below as determined by the Dean of Students and the Student Wellness Program.
5. Community service or service learning may be assigned /required by the Dean of Students and/or the Student Wellness Program.
6. Participation in the Substance Abuse Assessment Procedure through the Student Wellness Program
7. Student must follow through with all recommendations to meet the satisfactory completion of these sanctions.

2nd Offense

1. Meeting with a member of the Office of Dean of Students within three days of Notification. **Failure to meet within this time frame will result in a 3rd offense level status.**
2. \$100 Fine
3. Probation status
4. Suspension from all collegiate activity (including a minimum one game athletic suspension) until the active participation and/or satisfactory completion as determined by the Dean of Students and the Student Wellness Program
5. Community service or service learning may be assigned /required by the Dean of Students and/or the Student Wellness Program.
6. Participation in a re-evaluation process to include a substance abuse assessment through the Student Wellness Program.
7. Student must follow through with all recommendations to meet the satisfactory completion of these sanctions.
8. If Student was recommended for treatment services following his/her 1st drug offense the Dean of Students will review treatment progress and determine if extenuating circumstances exist.

9. If the Student is not actively participating in treatment he/she may be dismissed from the College without appeal.
10. If the Student is actively pursuing treatment he/she may be dismissed from any extracurricular activities and forfeit all scholarship monies.

3rd Offense

Seen by the College Administration as cause for dismissal without appeal

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING PERTAINS TO ALL STUDENTS WITH ALCOHOL OFFENSES

- Any student who misses any scheduled appointments without advance notification to the appropriate office will be fined \$25, given 7 a.m. community service, and may result in the student being moved to the next level of offense. They also must reschedule within 24 hours and refusal may result in dismissal from the College with appeal.
- Missing more than one scheduled appointment will result in additional \$25 fine, 7 a.m. community service, and may result in dismissal with appeal. Refusal to attend constitutes refusal and will result in dismissal with appeal.
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- The student will be responsible for all costs of counseling or treatment services recommended.
- Additional referral for treatment services and/or further discipline includes, but is not limited to, medical leave of absence and/or potential dismissal.

I have read the policy for alcohol and other drugs and I am aware of the consequences of violation of the policy.

Resident's Name: _____ Date: _____

Resident's Signature: _____

Residence Life Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____

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STUDENT HEALTH RECORD

HEALTH HISTORY • PHYSICAL EXAMINATION • IMMUNIZATION RECORD

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Middle Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

LACKAWANNA COLLEGE
OFFICE OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND HOUSING
501 VINE STREET
SCRANTON, PA 18509

PHONE: (570) 504-1760
FAX: (570) 955-1502

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

This section is to be completed by your physician / healthcare provider.

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Gender: _____

Blood Pressure: _____ / _____ Pulse: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Visual Acuity (Right): 20 / _____ (Left): 20 / _____

	Normal	Abnormal	Describe Abnormalities
Skin			
HEENT			
Lymph Nodes			
Neck			
Heart			
Lungs			
Respiratory			
Gastrointestinal			
Genitourinary			
Reproductive			
Endocrine			
Musculo-skeletal			
Neuro/Psych			

Please continue to the next page.

GENERAL COMMENTS: Recommendations for physical activity:

Unlimited: _____ Limited: _____ Explain: _____

Do you have any recommendations regarding the care of this patient? _____

Is this patient now under treatment for any medical or emotional condition? If yes, please explain: _____

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER'S SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____

Healthcare Provider's Name (please print): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

HEALTH HISTORY

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

Are you allergic to ANY food, prescription, or over-the-counter medication?

No: _____ Yes (LIST ALL ALLERGIES BELOW): _____

PERSONAL

MEDICAL

HISTORY

Please place a check next to any medical condition you have/had:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diabetes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eating Disorder
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emotional / Mental Illness	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heart Problems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Seizure Disorder (Epilepsy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hypertension (High Blood Pressure)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Digestive Disease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Hepatitis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuberculosis	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify): _____						

Do you have any chronic medical condition or disease? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please specify your condition and if ongoing treatment is necessary: _____

Are you taking any medication? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please specify all, with dosages: _____

STUDENT IMMUNIZATION RECORD

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____

IMMUNIZATIONS MUST BE UPDATED AS SPECIFIED BELOW:

TO BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER. Dates must include month and year.

TETANUS-DIPHTHERIA

1. _____ Completed primary series of tetanus-diphtheria immunizations. Month/Year: ____/____
2. _____ Received tetanus-diphtheria booster within the last 10 years. Month/Year: ____/____

MEASLES, MUMPS, RUBELLA (M.M.R.)

1. _____ Dose 1 immunized at or after 15 months and before 5 years. Month/Year: ____/____
2. _____ Dose 2 immunized at or after 5 years. Month/Year: ____/____

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Hepatitis B Vaccine (Required for all students in health profession majors)

1. _____ Month/Year: ____/____
2. _____ Month/Year: ____/____
3. _____ Month/Year: ____/____

TUBERCULOSIS SCREENING

1. _____ PPD (Mantoux) test with the past year (Tine or monovac not acceptable)
Give date and test results. Date/Month/Year: ____/____/____
Result: Positive: _____ Negative: _____
2. _____ Positive PPD (chest X-ray required). Must submit a copy of the chest X-ray reading

POLIO

1. Completed primary series of immunizations. Yes: _____ No: _____
Type of vaccine. Oral: _____ Inactive: _____ E-IPV: _____
Last booster. Month/Year: ____/____

Please continue to the next page.

MENINGOCOCCAL

Any student who wishes to reduce their risk of disease should consider the vaccine. Pennsylvania law mandates that ALL students living in university-owned housing be immunized or sign a waiver after receiving information on the disease and vaccine.

1. _____ Meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine - Menomune ACYW Month/Year: ____/____

HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

Name: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Phone: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION AND MEDICAL RECORD RELEASE

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR REACHING PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

MEDICAL RECORD RELEASE

I, (please print full name) _____, give permission to Lackawanna College officials to release information concerning my health status to counseling services, medical and/or mental health facilities and my parent or guardian when I require emergency treatment for a mental health or medical problem.

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Student signature: _____

AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT

I hereby authorize Lackawanna College officials to arrange for my emergency transportation to a mental health or medical facility in the event I am injured or ill and cannot or will not make such arrangements for myself, and to authorize emergency mental health or medical treatment for me if indicated after a mental health or medical review by qualified professionals in the event I cannot or will not give such authorization.

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Student signature: _____

I/we, as parent(s) or natural guardian(s) of the above student, consent and agree to the authorization set forth above for transportation and emergency mental health and medical treatment with the understanding that reasonable efforts will be made to contact me/us before such action is taken. I/we agree to be responsible for all bills and expenses reasonably incurred by Lackawanna College and/or my/our child or ward for such transportation and mental health or medical treatment.

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Witness: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Meningococcal Meningitis

Possible to Prevent.
Dangerous to Ignore.

There is a rare but sometimes deadly disease, called meningococcal meningitis, that strikes college students.

The disease spreads quickly and within hours of the first symptoms can cause organ failure, brain damage, amputations of limbs, or death.

Parents and students should learn more about meningococcal meningitis and consider immunization. Vaccination can prevent most cases of disease on college campuses.

Talk to Your Doctor About Meningitis Vaccination

Parents and students are encouraged to learn more about meningococcal meningitis and to talk to a physician about immunization.

National Meningitis Association

The National Meningitis Association (NMA) is a nonprofit organization founded to inform families, medical professionals, and others about the dangers of meningococcal meningitis and methods of prevention.

Its mission is to help ensure every child is offered protection from the disease through vaccination programs; to support research and development of improved meningitis vaccines and treatments for people stricken by meningitis; and to provide support to survivors of meningococcal meningitis and meningococemia and their families.

For more information about NMA and its activities, or to contact a member of NMA, please call 1-866-FONE-NMA (1-866-366-3662) or visit www.nmaus.org.



National Meningitis Association
22910 Chestnut Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
1-866-FONE-NMA
www.nmaus.org



Meningitis on Campus

Don't Wait.
Vaccinate.

What Parents and Students
Need to Know.



Facts About Meningococcal Meningitis

- College students, particularly freshmen living in dormitories, have a higher risk of getting this contagious disease.
- Each year, the disease strikes about 2,500 Americans and 10 to 15 percent of them will die.
- Up to 20 percent of survivors have long-term disabilities, such as brain damage, hearing loss, or limb amputations.
- The disease can take one of two forms: swelling of the membranes that surround the brain and spinal cord, or the more deadly meningococemia, an infection of the blood.
- Meningococcal meningitis is caused by bacteria called *Neisseria meningitidis*.

College Students at Special Risk

Overall, cases of this disease among adolescents and young adults have increased by nearly 60 percent since the early 1990s.

Lifestyle factors common among college students seem to be linked to the disease: crowded living situations such as dormitories, going to bars, smoking, and irregular sleep habits.

Freshmen living in dormitories are up to six times more likely to get the disease than other people.



Be Alert: Early Flu-Like Symptoms

Meningococcal meningitis is often misdiagnosed because its early signs are much like those of the flu or migraines. Symptoms may include high fever, headache, stiff neck, confusion, nausea, vomiting, and exhaustion.

Later, after the disease has taken hold, a rash may appear. If any of these symptoms are present and are unusually sudden and severe, call a physician or the college student health center. Don't wait.

How Meningitis Is Spread

The disease is spread through air droplets and direct contact with someone who's infected. That includes: coughing, kissing, and sharing cigarettes, utensils, cups, or lip balm – anything an infected person touches with his or her mouth.

Students can reduce their risk by considering vaccination and/or by not sharing certain things: utensils, beverages, cigarettes, etc.

Most cases occur in late winter or early spring when college students are away at school.

Consider Vaccination

Immunization can prevent up to 80 percent of meningococcal meningitis cases in adolescents and young adults:

- The vaccine is safe and effective against four of the five types of the bacteria responsible for meningococcal meningitis in the United States — and for the majority of cases in the college-age population.
- Protection lasts approximately three to five years; the length of time most students are away at college.
- As with all vaccines, there may be minor reactions (pain and redness at the injection site or a mild fever).

College Student Immunization Recommendations

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, American College Health Association, and American Academy of Pediatrics recommend that:

- College students and their parents should be told about the risk of meningococcal meningitis and the benefits of immunization.
- The vaccine should be made available to students who ask to be immunized.



Find Out More

For more information about meningococcal meningitis and the vaccine that can help prevent it, visit the following web sites:

- National Meningitis Association, www.nmaus.org
- Meningitis Foundation of America, www.mfusa.org
- American College Health Association, www.acha.org
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, www.cdc.gov

For medical advice about the meningococcal vaccine, consult your physician, college health service, or local public health department.

BE SMART ABOUT MENINGITIS B

Chances are you are not vaccinated. There are 5 vaccine-preventable meningitis groups—A, C, W, Y, and B and 2 different types of vaccines to help protect against them. Most likely, the meningitis vaccine that you received as a child only helps to prevent meningitis A, C, W, and Y. A vaccine for meningitis B didn't become available until 2014.



Meningitis B is a bacterial infection of the lining of the brain and spinal cord



16- to 23-year-olds have a higher rate of MenB compared to meningococcal disease caused by other serogroups (2015-2016)



From 2015-2016, the risk of contracting meningitis B was higher in college students vs persons not attending college



Symptoms like sudden fever, severe headache, and neck stiffness can progress rapidly

Although meningococcal disease is uncommon, 1 in 10 infected will die, sometimes within 24 hours after symptoms appear



11–19% of survivors experience long-term effects such as loss of hearing, loss of limbs, brain damage, or seizures



Meningococcal bacteria spreads through close contact (coughing, kissing, sharing cups or living in close quarters)



From 2014-2016, there were 60 cases of meningitis B among college students aged 18-24 years



According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), keeping up-to-date with recommended vaccines is the best defense against meningitis. However, vaccination may not protect all recipients.

Ask your pharmacist about meningitis B vaccination.

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MENINGITIS VACCINE WAIVER FORM

I, (please print full name) _____, verify that I have received detailed information on the risks associated with meningitis and the availability and the Effectiveness of the vaccine from Lackawanna College prior to residing in a college-owned residence hall or housing unit;

and, upon review of this information, have chosen to request that, as defined by the law, this vaccination requirement be waived for the following reason(s): (check one)

_____ Religious reasons

_____ Other (please specify): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 (as of the date of signing)

I/we, as parent(s) or natural guardian(s) of the above student, have received and reviewed the information provided on the disease and vaccination and have chosen not to vaccinate for the following reason(s): (check one)

_____ Religious reasons

_____ Other (please specify): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____