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# CHECK IT OUT



ON-CAMPUS
HOUSING
at
FORT HAYS STATE
UNIVERSITY

College is a time for exploring who you are and searching for what you may become. Through personal interaction with other students, faculty, and staff of the University, you will be growing through exposure to new ideas and differing lifestyles; challenging, complimenting, and confirming your own ideals and convictions. Your sphere of friendships will grow and you will make memories that will last a lifetime.

Yet, the hours you spend in the classroom will be very few in contrast to the time you spend elsewhere. This means that if you are to make the most of your college experience, you must not limit your activity merely to attending classes. You must actively seek out opportunities to maximize your involvement with others, while minimizing diversions which will inhibit you from doing so.

That is why where you choose to live as a student is just as important as what classes you choose to take. That is also why you should take a serious look at on-campus living options while you are trying to decide where you will live as a student at Fort Hays State University.





















Before you decide where you will live as a student at Fort Hays State University, check out these advantages to Residence Hall life—

- A friendly, well-trained staff to help you adjust to college life.
- Within easy walking distance to nearly all your classes.
- Individual room door locks insure privacy and security.
- Free on-campus parking in lots adjacent to the Residence Halls.
- A phone in every room with no additional charge for local service. You pay only for your long distance calls.
- ✓ Vending machines for late-night munchies.
- A quick jog to campus recreational facilities tennis courts, intramural fields, sports complex, stadium, and Student Union.
- Ice machines providing free ice to residents.
- Around the clock area security patrol by university police officers.
- Room size refrigerators available on a rental basis.
- All utilities paid—no need to worry about surprise monthly increases.
- A choice of three payment plan options to help meet your budget needs.
- ✓ Both double and single occupancy rooms available.
- Vacuum cleaners and other cleaning supplies provided for student use.
- Rooms furnished with beds, desks, and study chairs.
- A choice of meal plans eliminates the hassle of cooking for yourself.
- A short walk to the campus library.
- A central desk in each hall providing mail distribution, equipment check-out, change, and a variety of other services.
- Dedicated housekeeping staff to keep the lobbies, lounges, and bathrooms clean for your use.
- Leadership opportunities abound as officers and committee members in floor, hall, and inter-hall government.

- A selection of games and sports equipment available to be checked out.
- Designated quiet floors available by request.
- Incidentals such as light bulbs, toilet paper, and paper towels furnished.
- Capable maintenance team to attend to needed repairs.
- Employment opportunities as hall, maintenance, and food service staff.
- "The Backdoor" on-campus night spot in Custer Hall providing evening entertainment with a menu full of favorite foods and beverages.
- Low-cost coin operated laundry facilities located in each Hall for exclusive use of the residents.
- "Maude's Country Store" in McMindes Hall offering a wide selection of convenience store items.
- Competitive prices at guaranteed rates for the entire contract period—no unexpected rent increases.
- Kitchen units in each Hall for those preferring to practice their own cuisine.
- Bicycle storage racks outside each Hall; indoor storage available in some Halls.
- Room personalization encouraged through programs like the annual "Undormit" room decorating contest.
- Commons lounges with cable television.
- Recreation rooms with features like exercise equipment, ping pong tables, and arcade games.
- Quiet study lounges.
- Hall night security or pass keys provide continuous access to your Residence Hall home.
- Summer housing options available.
- Opportunities to compete in an active campus intramural program.
- Room and roommate changes possible.
- A whole spectrum of special events including floor gatherings, hall parties, and interhall activities at little or no charge to residents, providing limitless opportunities to meet new friends.



### **AGNEW HALL**

Small in size, but big in spirit, Agnew Hall offers a casual atmosphere appealing to the woman who prefers a slightly more self-monitored lifestyle. Because of the sense of community and companionship fostered by a smaller living group, residents of this Hall enjoy the most flexible visitation option on campus, as well as unrestricted access to their Residence Hall home by means of a privilege key issued to each of the Hall's residents. This environment has proven to be a favorite for a growing number of non-traditional students as well as a steady group of freshmen.

Residents of Agnew Hall frequently take advantage of their air-conditioned study lounge during the warmer seasons, while engaging in a chat beside a crackling fire in one of their fireplaces makes for a relaxing evening during the chilly winter months. Other attractions include cable television hook-ups in every student room and a recreation area complete with a television lounge, exercise equipment, and video games.

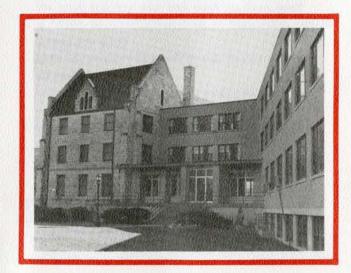
A Fall patio party, cookouts, Thanksgiving banquet, and Spring semi-formal dance are just a few of the fun times shared by residents of this women's hall.

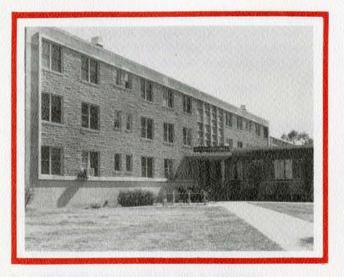
## CUSTER HALL

Offering a change in pace from traditional residence hall life, Custer Hall provides a unique coed, cooperative living experience. Unlike the other residence halls which have a staff of housekeepers, the men and women of Custer Hall share in the responsibilities of cleaning the public areas of their building. In exchange for this service, Custer residents receive a substantial reduction in the price of their housing contract.

The recently redecorated formal parlor with its stately fireplace recreates a touch of elegance reminiscent of the 1920's, when the original portion of Custer Hall was constructed. In a less formal grain, however, Custer residents find relaxation in one of their television lounges, their recreation room or, weather permitting, on one of their upper level sun decks. Also featured in this Hall is "The Backdoor," the residence halls' own on-campus night spot and eating establishment.

Holiday celebrations, theme parties, an annual semi-formal dance, and cookouts are some of the special events hosted by the Custer residents. While residing in Custer has been a privilege traditionally reserved for upper class and graduate students, freshmen may be allowed to live here with special permission from the Director of Housing.





## MCGRATH HALL

The smaller of the two men's residence halls, McGrath is appropriately known by the campus community as the home of the "International Kazoo Band." Donning trench coats, crazy hats, and clashy ties, the men of McGrath rarely miss the opportunity to amaze and amuse home game spectators with their zany antics and quasi-musical kazoo renditions of their favorite tunes

While in-room cable television provides a ready entertainment option for McGrath residents, many of them elect to spend their leisure time in the Hall's game room. This well equipped area features a variety of games, a television lounge, and weight lifting equipment, including a universal gym. Others, perhaps, engage in a friendly game of football on the front lawn or rally around the basketball goal out back for a rousing game of half-court.

Boastful of their active involvement and tradition of achievement on the intramural scene, McGrath residents also look forward to their annual pig roast, Halloween party, and Spring formal dance.



### **► MCMINDES HALL**

A well-rounded calendar of social, educational, and recreational activities awaits the women who call McMindes Hall their campus home. From individual floor parties to hall-wide events like their annual Spring Formal, B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Banana) Party, Discovery Series Programs, and an energetic intramural program that has netted an all-school sports championship, the women of McMindes take pride in their accomplishments and the variety of opportunities available to them.

Living in the campus' largest residence hall, members of the McMindes community realize that each of their floors maintains a unique personality which allows for a variety of living options. This is reflected in an assortment of improvements ranging from microwave ovens to in-room cable T.V., which have been installed at the residents' discretion in various locations throughout the building. A recreation room complete with a big screen television and exercise equipment provides relaxation for many of the Hall's residents, while others take advantage of rooms specially designed for activities such as sewing and music practice.

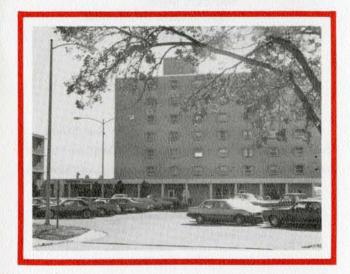
Seasonal air-conditioning, "Maude's Country Store," and one of the two campus residence dining halls are just a few of the other pluses women enjoy as residents of McMindes Hall.

#### WIEST HALL

The annual Casino Night, Road Rally, Tournament of Champions, and Sweetheart Ball are just a few of the innovative programs which have become favored traditions for the residents of Wiest Hall. The larger of the two men's halls, Wiest is particularly proud of having a nearly unscathed record of sponsoring the winning Homecoming Royalty candidate.

Leisure time for many Wiest men is often spent in the basement weight room, where a relaxing sit in the Hall's sauna affords soothing relief from a rigorous workout. Others find entertainment by challenging the video games in the Hall's game room, or lounging in front of the big screen television.

In an effort to provide a variety of alternative community environments, Wiest has been at the forefront in establishing both model freshman and upper class floors which promote responsible community living. The comfort of seasonal air conditioning, and the convenience of having one of the campus' two residence dining halls are just a couple of the other many advantages enticing men to live in Wiest Hall.





## **► WOOSTER PLACE**

Providing a reasonably priced alternative to offcampus living, Wooster Place offers both single and double bedroom apartments to married student couples, families, and single parents with children. In contrast to students living in the residence halls who sign a flat-rate contract for a school term, Wooster residents file a lease and pay monthly rent plus reimbursement to the University for electricity. Telephone hook-up is available to each apartment, but arrangements for service must be made directly with the phone company. Other utilities, including cable television, are provided by the University.

Although Wooster apartments are fully furnished (except for the second bedroom in the two-bedroom units), many residents prefer to personalize their home with their own furniture. In these cases, arrangements can be made to store the University-owned furniture.,

Assignment to Wooster apartments is based upon the date of receipt of application to live there. Since there is frequently a waiting list to get in, students wishing accommodations in these apartments should plan on submitting an application well in advance of their arrival to campus.

Fort Havs State University believes that a group living experience will enable a student to get the best possible academic start, to develop social contacts, and to become more involved with college life. For these reasons, if you are an unmarried student of the Freshman Class whose high school class graduated after January 1, preceding the immediate academic term in which you will be enrolling, you must live in a university residence hall, a fraternity or sorority house, or Clovia house during your first year of enrollment, unless you are living at home. If you plan to live in any of the alternative choices to a residence hall or you have special circumstances that you would like to have considered, you must submit an "Off Campus Living Request" to the Housing Office for approval before you may enroll. These forms are available at the address listed below. After you have been admitted to FHSU vou will receive a residence hall contract and other housing information.

# FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WRITE OR CALL:

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