

## Policy on Gatherings in On-Campus Housing Apartments and Grounds

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To limit the transmission of COVID-19, New York Medical College requires campus housing residents to respect their fellow students and neighbors and encourages all residents to act responsibly and to practice appropriate social distancing.

### Definitions:

- **Resident:** refers to individuals who have a current housing agreement for the apartment at issue.
- **Guest:** Refers to NYMC/TCDM students other than Residents, including student spouses living in campus housing.
- **Visitor:** refers to individuals who are not NYMC/TCDM students and do not have a current housing agreement with the College.
- **Fully Vaccinated:** Individuals are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 two weeks after they have received the second dose in a 2-dose series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or two weeks after they have received a single-dose vaccine (Johnson and Johnson) authorized by the FDA.
- **Health Attestation:** The COVID screening survey available at [www.nymc.edu/screening](http://www.nymc.edu/screening)

### Policy:

It is the policy of New York Medical College to gatherings in the on-campus apartments and grounds of the apartments as follows:

1. Visitors
  - a. Visitors are only permitted on campus housing grounds to assist a Resident on move-in/move-out day and must complete a Health Attestation prior to entry into a campus housing building.
2. Guests
  - a. All Guests who do not live in on-campus housing must complete a Health Attestation prior to entering the campus housing grounds. Only Fully Vaccinated Guests are permitted inside apartments.
3. Inside Gatherings
  - a. Inside gatherings are permitted but limited to double the number of unit Residents plus one. For example, if you live in a 2 person apartment, you can have a gathering with 5 individuals total, (2+2+1), if you live in a 4 person apartment, you can have 9 individuals total, (4+4+1).
  - b. When Guests are present in an apartment, masks are required by everyone.
  - c. Guests are not permitted inside an apartment without the consent of all unit Residents.
4. Outside Gatherings
  - a. Outside gatherings are permitted in small groups, no larger than twenty people. All outside gatherings must comply with quiet hours (please refer to Housing Policy Handbook for the noise policy).

- b. Each outside gathering must maintain appropriate social distancing (minimum of 6 feet) from other groups using outdoor common space.
- c. Masks must be worn, with the exception of when individuals are eating or drinking.
- d. Grill use is permitted; however, no more than two people should be gathered around a single grill. Once food is cooked, please move away from the grills to consume elsewhere to allow other residents to cook.
- e. Beer and wine is permitted in moderation, but hard liquor is not allowed at outside gatherings.

All Residents and Guests are expected to follow instructions of any campus security staff.

Any violations of housing or gatherings policies subject students to disciplinary action. As New York State rules are rapidly changing, this College policy is superseded by any more restrictive state or local requirements and may be amended at any time by the College.