NAVARRO COLLEGE Residence Life

Navarro College Residents,

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Navarro College Residence Life for the 2023-2024 academic year. We have sent a welcome letter with additional information on the process leading up to check-in, as well as an email with your room and roommate assignments. We also wanted to take a moment to give you more information regarding the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and how that affects staying in on-campus housing.

We **highly recommend** that our residents get vaccinated either prior to or soon after arriving on campus. For the greatest level of protection, we recommend being fully vaccinated about two weeks prior to arrival to allow the vaccine to take full effect before coming to campus. We also continue to encourage frequent hand washing or use of hand sanitizer and social distancing, and we support individuals who are more comfortable wearing a mask to continue to do so.

Vaccinations are also now available at many pharmacies and local health districts, often at no cost to you. For Texas residents, you can visit the Texas Health and Human Services site for more information about getting the vaccine or call your local pharmacy. For residents outside Texas, you can visit <u>www.vaccines.gov</u> for information on getting vaccinated. Most pharmacies in Corsicana are offering the vaccine if you would like to get vaccinated after your arrival.

Residents who exhibit symptoms or test positive for COVID-19 throughout the year will be asked to either return to their permanent address or to remain in their assigned rooms for a quarantine period. Those who are close contacts will also need to quarantine unless they have been fully vaccinated. Again, we highly recommend that residents get vaccinated to reduce the risk of contracting COVID-19 and to avoid having to go through a quarantine process for close contacts. Please be advised that we cannot guarantee an individual room for quarantine/isolation in cases of close contact or COVID infection.

It is also very important to note that there will not be any partial or full refunds for students who leave campus for a quarantine period. No part of the room and board costs will be refunded to the resident for the time spent off campus. Please be sure to carefully read through our housing contract and residence life handbook for detailed information about the terms of the contract.

Navarro College District and Campus Leadership continue to work with state and local health officials in monitoring COVID-19 and will communicate any changes in protocols if they become necessary. If you have any questions about our COVID-19 recommendations for residents or about the process leading up to check-in, please contact the Residence Life office at 903-875-7541.