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# Become a Resident Advisor!

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## 2024-25 Resident Advisor Positions

It is that time of year for Housing and Residence Education (HRE) to begin hiring Resident Advisors for the 2024-2025 academic year! HRE aims to create a space where students feel safe to live and grow as Buckeyes, and we cannot do this without our Resident Advisors (RAs). RAs work to cultivate an inclusive environment through planning programs, serving in an on-call rotation and building strong relationships with the residents within our communities. If your student is interested in this and wants to build those leadership skills, please encourage them to apply. The application can be found on the Housing Portal! Please feel free to contact the Housing and Residence Education team if you have any questions at [sl-ra\\_selection@osu.edu](mailto:sl-ra_selection@osu.edu). Thank you for your support and Go Buckeyes!

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# Department Debrief

## Student Wellness Center

*Department Debrief* is a monthly article from the Parent and Family Relations office dedicated to helping family members and supporters better understand the services, opportunities and support offered by particular offices for students.

This month, our team met with the Student Wellness Center to discuss the various programs they offer to empower a balanced and healthy lifestyle for students, including financial and wellness coaching sessions, providing access to HIV/STI Testing and a food pantry to students facing food insecurity.

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### **Buckeye Road Trip**

The Buckeye Road trip is a reduced cost busing service designed to bring students to cities in and out of Ohio. This Thanksgiving break, students may utilize Buckeye Road Trip to travel to Toledo, East/West Cleveland, Chicago, Pittsburgh, New York City or Philadelphia. Registration for all trips is now open! All buses leave the Ohio Union on Tuesday, November 21 and return on Sunday, November 26. Additionally, if your student would like to make the trip to their destination and back free of charge, they can sign up to be an ambassador for their bus! An ambassador is the point of contact for each bus to make sure everything runs smoothly. A student must be riding the bus both there and back in order to sign up to be an ambassador.

See the link below for more information and to reserve a seat.

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## Get a Head Start with Libraries' First Year Success Series Sessions

There's one thing many classes will have in common throughout your student's college career: the use of University Libraries resources. Why not set them up for success right away by encouraging them to take a Libraries First Year Success Series workshop? Participants will learn how to navigate library resources, meet people who can answer questions throughout their college careers, reduce academic stress and more. Workshops are offered throughout autumn semester and registration is available using the link below.

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## Lyft Ride Smart

Lyft Ride Smart at Ohio State offers eligible students discounted rides, inside the university-designated service area, and has expanded service to the Short North area along High Street. Service runs from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Prices may be impacted by distance, traffic, time of day, special events and prime time surcharges.

For information about getting started with Lyft Ride Smart, please visit the Transportation and Traffic Management website.

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## Compost Your Pumpkin This Fall!

Don't let your pumpkins haunt the landfill. Green your Halloween and return nutrients to the soil by composting them!

From Monday, October 23 through Saturday, December 2, faculty, staff and students living off campus can drop off pumpkins and gourds in the labeled dumpster on the east side of the Laundry Building, located at 2560 Kenny Road. The site is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Please place only pumpkins and gourds in the roll-off dumpster. All other compostable food scraps should be deposited in the green compost carts located nearby.

Students living on campus may drop off pumpkins or gourds in the compost containers located at their residence hall.

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