

Wittenberg Eco-House RESIDENT AGREEMENT

Residents of the Eco-House will live an earth-friendly lifestyle that serves as a testing ground and a beacon to all Wittenberg residents. They will create a living environment that contributes to the ongoing progress of Wittenberg toward becoming a more sustainable community. They will strive to make the Eco-House the most green-conscious home possible.

As a resident of the Eco-House, I agree to the following:

- To make the Eco-House as ecologically friendly as possible, making continuous improvements during my residency there;
- To keep record of energy consumption in the house;
- To reduce the amount of energy consumed in the house with my fellow residents;
- To unplug appliances that continue to draw power down when not in use;
- To ensure that as an appliance or feature of the house wears out, my fellow residents and I purchase the most ecologically friendly replacements we can feasibly afford under the Eco-House budget;
- To care for all plants inside and on the premises outside the house;
- To ensure that the garden and compost pile are maintained at all times, including over the summer, by either myself, a fellow or incoming resident, or from within the Springfield community;
- To recycle or compost all waste that is able to be recycled and/or composted;
- To purchase organic and/or locally-grown foods whenever possible;
- To set the thermostat no lower than 72 degrees Fahrenheit in the summer and no higher than 68 degrees Fahrenheit in the winter;
- To carpool or minimize gas/fuel consumption whenever possible;
- To opt for and encourage my fellow residents to participate in carbon-neutral recreational activities;
- To permit guests in the Eco-House only when at least one resident is also present;
- To maintain or exceed a cumulative GPA of 2.25;
- To continue my affiliation with at least one environmentally-gearred group on campus. I, or at least one resident of the Eco-House, will be an active member of P.o.W.E.R. and serve as liaison;
- To attend a once-a-semester meeting facilitated by Student Development for the purposes of discussing issues related to the maintenance of the house and group dynamics (additional meetings may be scheduled if needed);
- To attend a monthly project meeting facilitated by the faculty advisor;
- To host at least three Wittenberg community events a semester, one of which will be open to the broader community outside Wittenberg;
- To abide by Eco-House norms as defined by the residents therein.