

welcome to the neighborhood

congratulations . . .

Living off-campus means joining a new community. Your neighbors are not just your friends down the hall. They are families, professionals, and non-student residents who may keep very different hours and lifestyles than yours. It's important that you recognize and abide by some basic responsibilities when living off-campus.

Following these simple steps can help ensure that you have a great off-campus experience!

STEP 3 consider who's next door

Be mindful of your neighbor next door. As a courtesy, try to observe quiet hours between 11pm and 7am. Know local noise and public safety ordinances. Keep in mind that loud noise or music travels farther than you think!



STEP 1

introduce yourself

Meet your neighbors. A simple "hello" goes a long way. This is the first step in building a good relationship. Continue to grow the relationship throughout the year—you never know when you will need each other's help.

stay in touch STEP 2

EXCHANGE CONTACT INFORMATION

Share contact information so there is an easy way of communicating during an event you might host or if other questions arise. Encourage your neighbors to let you know if and when they have any concerns.

STEP 4 MAINTAIN POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

Keeping your neighbors informed shows respect and encourages them to approach you with concerns instead of immediately calling the police.



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be a good neighbor . . .

STEP 5

planning a party?

If you plan on hosting a party or social event, notify your neighbors in advance. Only invite folks you know. Problems usually occur when people you don't expect show up.

It's also a good idea not to let intoxicated people crash your event—you are responsible for their actions. Remember that you are assuming liability and risk as a party host, so **PARTY SMART!**

STEP 6

clean up

Keep your residence clean. Trash is not a welcomed sight and it's an ordinance violation. If hosting a party, clean up—neighbors may be more tolerant of your next event if they see you respecting the neighborhood.



STEP 7

safety matters

Keep your eyes open and watch out for your neighbors. Report suspicious activity to the police. Staying safe also applies when using rideshare services. Know these safety tips before you ride. If you ever feel you're in danger, **CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY!**



STEP 8

know the law

As members of the Town of Elon, students are expected to follow all local, state and national laws and are held accountable to the Student Code of Conduct. Scan here to learn about:

[**TOWN OF ELON ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS**](#)