Emory University
First Year Student Dining Agreement 2026-2027
Atlanta Campus

1. Dining Plans

All resident students (those living in university housing) are required to participate in a dining plan. **First Year Undergraduate** students are required to be and are automatically enrolled in **Dining Plan A** for their Fall and Spring Semesters.
Students may choose to change to **Dining Plan K** to meet **Kosher** dietary needs. Please note that Plan K does not include Dooley Dollars.

Residential Dining is at the Dobbs Common Table Dining Hall("DCT") in the Emory Student Center.
THE MEAL PLANS ARE FOR THE ACTIVE FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS Resident Dining operates under abbreviated hours of operation during certain university holidays and is closed during certain university breaks. Summer Dooley Dollar meal plans are optional.
(Abbreviated hours are posted on the Dining website prior to scheduled University holidays and breaks)

All prices and criteria are on a per semester basis.

- **Meal Plan A, $4,584 ($4,434 for swipes; $150 Dooley Dollars) / Semester**:
  - Provides unlimited meal swipes, select meal exchanges, and $150 Dooley Dollars per semester.
- **Kosher Meal Plan K, $4,592 ($4,592 for swipes; $0 Dooley Dollars) / Semester:**
  - Provides unlimited Meal Swipes and select meal exchanges per semester.

Kosher meals are available during lunch Sundays through Fridays and during dinner Sundays through Thursdays at the Dobbs Common Table in the Emory Student Center. Students on this plan may also participate in non-Kosher offerings and select meal exchanges at other locations.

Both Meal Plan A and Meal Plan K come with 4 guest passes to dine at the DCT. Guest passes expire at the end of each semester. Guest passes can be used by friends or family not enrolled in a meal plan. However, the meal plan holder must be dining at the DCT with the individual using the guest pass and identify use at the register during entrance to the DCT.

***Meal Exchange**
As a courtesy, first year students may use a resident dining meal swipe for a **Meal Exchange,** currently offered at 5 locations— Cox Hall Food Market, White Hall Grab and Go, Woodruff Residential Complex, Eagle Emporium Nom Station and at the SAAC Café on the Clairmont Campus. A **Meal Exchange** is a specified menu combination that can be obtained by using a residential meal swipe. Dining Plan A or K participants may only use one meal exchange swipe per designated meal period as a replacement for dining at the DCT. Meal periods for meal exchanges are listed below:

- 11am-3pm
- 3pm- 10pm
- 10pm –1am

****Declining Balance "Dooley Dollars"**
Dooley Dollars may be used for the purchase of edible items at all on-campus food service locations. Dooley Dollars are intended for use when the resident dining location may be closed. These include university holidays and breaks, periods between the Fall Semester and Spring Semester and the Spring Semester and Summer Semesters. When purchasing food with Dooley Dollars, students will receive a 5% discount on all items purchased. There is no sales tax charged on purchases paid with Dooley Dollars. Dooley dollars may be added to any CURRENT meal plan in $25 increments during any point in the academic year.

Unused Dooley Dollars from the Fall Semester roll over to the Spring Semester dining plan. Unused Dooley Dollars at the end of the Spring Semester may be used, with no additional dining plan purchase, throughout all Summer Sessions. **Unused Dooley Dollars at the end of the summer session are forfeited and are non-refundable.**

Students should regularly check their balance to ensure they exhaust all funds by the end of the summer sessions based on the Office of Undergraduate Education class schedule.

Guest Passes
4 guest passes/semester are included in meal plan A and K
These are designed to invite friends or family to dine at the DCT that are not enrolled in a meal plan.

2. Residential Dining Locations

The primary residential dining plan facility is located at the DCT in the Emory Student Center. Meal Exchange locations include Cox Hall Food Market, White Hall, Woodruff Residential Complex, Eagle Emporium and at the SAAC Café on the Clairmont Campus. Dooley Dollars are accepted at all on campus food service locations.

3. Meal Plan Requirements & Dining Plan Access

First year students must be enrolled in a campus meal plan regardless of credit hours earned. First year students are required to select from Meal Plan A or the Meal Plan K, Kosher meal plan.

Students may access residential dining and Dooley Dollars by using their EmoryCard I.D. Participants must present their EmoryCard to gain entry into the DCT, use a Meal Exchange or purchase from a retail location using Dooley Dollars. Meal swipes for Dining Plan A & K are nontransferable and are for the meal plan holder only.

Students are responsible for the safekeeping of their EmoryCard. If lost or stolen, report immediately to the EmoryCard office at 404-727-9403. The replacement fee for a new card is $30.00 and must be paid for at the time the card is made.

Meal swipes expire at the end of each fall and spring semester. Only Dooley Dollar plans are offered during the summer, and purchase is optional.

4. Dining Plan Appeals for Exemption or Accommodation

Disability appeals must be submitted with the appropriate forms and a doctor's specific diagnosis to the Department of Accessibility Services (DAS), (404) 727-9877 / accessibility@emory.edu. Students must ***clearly indicate*** why they are unable to eat the food provided in various dining locations on campus. The doctor providing documentation cannot be a family member.

The form can be accessed here: Disability Verification Form for Students with Physical and/or Chronic Medical Disability.

Students must also register with DAS at: accessibility.emory.edu/students/index.html. Once reviewed by DAS, your disability appeal will be forwarded to the Campus Dining Office for approval.

Disability appeals are only valid during the academic year in which it is granted. Those granted a disability appeal must reapply for each academic year.

Emory Campus dining provides a range of religious dietary options, including halal, kosher, vegan, vegetarian and meals made without onions and garlic. Students who need additional support based on their religious practice may seek guidance from the Office of Spiritual and Religious Life. Requests to meet with a spiritual advisor regarding food and nutrition must be submitted with the appropriate forms to ORSL. Students must ***clearly indicate religious inquiries with respect to*** food provided in the various dining locations on campus. Once reviewed by the Office of Spiritual Life, an in-person interview is conducted.
All outcomes will be forwarded to the Office of Campus Dining.

Questions regarding food allergens and specific dietary needs and preferences can be handled in collaboration with a dietician at Student Health and/or a resident dietician with our food service provider.

5. Withdrawals from the University

For withdrawals, dining plan refunds are prorated on the date of withdrawal/termination. The Office of University Housing determines the date of withdrawal/termination, which is then referred to the Campus Dining Office. Meals are prorated on a daily rate basis.

To properly withdraw from a dining plan, students should send an email from their Emory email account to dining@emory.edu. **Emails must include a name, Student ID and a written request** in the message. Once the request has been completed, the student will receive a confirmation email to their Emory account.

A separate email to cancel housing will need to be sent to housing@emory.edu.

6. Changing a Dining Plan

Students may make final changes to their fall dining plan through Tuesday, September 8, 2026.
Students may make final changes to their spring dining plan through Tuesday, January 19, 2027.
Students are allowed one change to their meal plan each semester.
Meal plans are locked following change periods. No exceptions will be made.

7. General Terms

-Food utensils, dishes, cups, mugs, equipment etc. may not be removed from any dining location.
-Any attempt to fraudulently use the dining plan will result in disciplinary action against any and all parties. including referral to the Office of Student Conduct.
-Footwear must be worn at all times in all dining facilities.
-No outside food or beverages may be brought into the DCT.

8. Suggestions or Assistance

Should participants have any questions, please contact us at dining@emory.edu. Please include your Emory ID number in the email if it is regarding a meal plan. For more specific information regarding Emory Dining please visit our website at http://www.emory.edu/dining.

9. Resident Dining Hours of Operation

Monday-Thursday
Breakfast 7:30 – 10:00 AM
Late Breakfast 10:00 - 11 AM*
Lunch 11 AM - 2 PM
Late Lunch (lite fare) 2 - 5 PM*
Dinner 5 - 8 PM
Late Dinner 8 - 10 PM*

Friday
Breakfast 7:30 - 10 AM
Late Breakfast 10 - 11 AM*
Lunch 11 AM - 2 PM
Late Lunch 2 - 5 PM*
Dinner 5 - 8 PM
(No late dinner service on Fridays)

Saturday
Brunch 10 AM - 2 PM
Late Brunch 2 - 5 PM*
Dinner 5 - 8 PM
(No late dinner service on Saturdays)

Sunday
Brunch 10 AM - 2 PM
Late Brunch 2 - 5 PM*
Dinner 5 - 8 PM
Late Dinner 8 - 10 PM*

*Please note that Late meal periods have modified service. Offerings differ from regular service.

10. Payment Policy

All Meal Plan charges are billed to the student's OPUS account each semester. Meal plan costs for the Fall Semester are submitted to the Student Financial Services during August; Spring Semester meal plan costs are submitted during December. The Meal Plan contract remains in effect for the entire academic year, and cancellation is not permitted.

Departure from Emory: Unspent Dooley Dollars will be credited back to the student's OPUS account for all meal plans. Adjustments for the meals portion of meal plans are based on the duration or total weeks enrolled on the meal plan, not the actual meal plan usage. The credit for the meals portion of all meal plans will be calculated by first subtracting the value of the Dooley Dollars originally included in the meal plan from the original cost of the meal plan to determine the value of the meals portion of the meal plan. Next, the value of the meals portion of the meal plan will be credited back to the student's account based on the Adjustment Schedule.

No credit will be issued after the tenth week of each semester. No credit will be issued to students suspended or dismissed for disciplinary reasons. If a student's academic status changes, the student is responsible for notifying Campus Dining in Cox Hall at 404-727-4015 or email dining@emory.edu. This policy shall be subject to amendment by the University during the term of this agreement without notice.

11. Miscellaneous

This contract cannot be assigned. This contract contains the entire agreement between the parties, and no statement or promise made by either party that is not contained in this written contract shall be valid or binding. The University reserves the right to change the terms of this contract anytime without notice.