One part of the mission of LSMSA is providing a positive living and learning experience. Having a roommate is a vital part of that experience, even when it requires adjustments and conflict resolution. Ordinarily, it is the expectation that each student has a roommate.

THE ROOMMATE QUESTIONNAIRE

Each new student completes and submits a roommate questionnaire before arriving on campus to help the coordinator of residence life in the selection of a compatible roommate. Students will be given an opportunity to select a roommate at New Student Orientation and whenever practicable the school will honor these requests. Students are assigned without regard for race, color, or creed. The coordinator of residence life makes the final decision on roommates.

ROOMMATE CHANGE PROCEDURE

Room changes are allowed at the discretion of the coordinator of residence life. Typically, these changes will be considered one month after the start of school and at each grading period.

Students should not expect to be allowed to move prior to the first scheduled room change or between scheduled room change periods. If a room assignment proves unsatisfactory, the student(s) should first discuss the problem with his/her student life advisor and work to find resolution. Students will not be allowed to change rooms until after completing all conflict resolution requirements as determined and prescribed by the residential life program.

If a reasonable effort has been made and the prescribed mediation measures have failed to resolve the difficulty and the student still wishes to change rooms, he/she must submit an Application for Room Change to the coordinator of residence life. The final decision regarding room changes rests with the coordinator of residence life.

Students may not initiate a move without completing the room change procedure as outlined in this section.