



2026-27 Residential Life Packing List and Things to Know

Recommended Linens

**4 extra long twin size sheets • 1 pillow and 2 pillowcases • 2 blankets • 1 bedspread/comforter
4 bath towels • 4 wash cloths • 1 throw rug • 1 laundry bag**

Recommended Clothing

- It is very hot outside at the beginning of the school year. Bring summer clothes, and also be prepared for occasional rainy days and cool mornings. After the Thanksgiving holiday, bring clothes for colder temperatures.
- Student clothing should always follow the dress code (refer to the [Student Handbook](#) for guidelines).
- Washers and dryers are located on campus at no charge for student use.
- All linens and clothing should be clearly marked with the student's name.
- Do not over pack. Storage and closet space in the residence halls is limited.

Personal Computers & Cell Phones

- All students must bring a personal laptop to school. Please refer to the Laptop Requirement document on the Back-to-School webpage. Desktop monitors are optional. Computer monitors/screens should be less than 27 inches. There is a limit of two screens per person.
- All dorm rooms have wireless internet access and a wired ethernet network, and students should bring a CAT5 or CAT6 ethernet cable. We recommend a 15-foot cable—although in many rooms a 6-foot cable is sufficient. Numerous wireless computer zones are available on campus for students with laptops and tablets.
- A cell phone is not required but is helpful for accessing Orah, a digital platform that manages student permissions and locations on and off campus. The program is accessible on a computer, iPad or cell phone.

Residence Hall Furnishings

- Each room is furnished with a bed, dresser, desk and chair for each student. The dressers have a drawer that can be locked with a padlock supplied by the student.
- Students may bring a desk lamp, storage trunks for their belongings, small speakers and personal computers.
- Students may not bring televisions. There is a television in the residence hall common room and in the student center.
- Students should not bring valuables or keep large amounts of cash in their rooms.

Student Checking Accounts

Students are encouraged to have their own checking/debit card accounts while at St. Stephen's. Students may cash checks at the school business office.

Insurance

The school's insurance does not cover any loss of student possessions. Parents should determine whether such loss is covered by their homeowners insurance. Students are required to have health insurance. The school does not carry health insurance for students.

Food in the Residence Halls

- Food is permitted in residence hall rooms in tightly closed containers.
- Refrigerators and cooking equipment are located in the residence hall common room for general student use. Students may have a mini-refrigerator in their room.

International Documents

Upon arrival to St. Stephen's Episcopal School, all international students must check in their passports, I-20s, airplane tickets and any other official documents to the International Office for safekeeping. Dorm room keys will not be issued before the documents are submitted.

Shipping Items to School

You may ship items to school prior to your arrival. They will be held for you in Brewster Hall until you move them into the residence hall.

Mailing/Shipping Address:

Student's Name
St. Stephen's Episcopal School
6500 St. Stephen's Drive
Austin, TX 78746