



Emotional Support Animal Application

It is the general policy of Curry College that pets ARE NOT allowed in campus buildings or in Curry Housing Facilities. However, for students who meet the following eligibility criteria, a reasonable accommodation may be made for students who demonstrate that the accommodation is necessary for them to have equal access to and use of Curry Housing. Such an accommodation would allow the student with a disability to keep an Emotional Support Animal (“ESA”) with them in Curry Housing. If approved, the student will be required to strictly follow the rules pertaining to animal control and student responsibility and register the animal with ODS.

Eligibility Criteria

In order to be eligible for a reasonable accommodation under this policy, and obtain approval to keep an ESA in Curry Housing, the student must demonstrate all the following through documented expert opinion of licensed providers that are NOT employed by Curry College in any of their counseling or health facilities:

- That the student has a disability
- A reasonable accommodation is necessary to afford the student an equal opportunity to use and enjoy Curry Housing and that no other mitigating measures or accommodations would sufficiently provide them with equal access to Curry housing.
- There is an identifiable relationship between the requested ESA and the student’s disability

Specific Steps to Follow

1. Please provide the Office of Disability Services with a complete application form and documentation about your qualifying disability. This documentation must substantiate the disability and its specific impact upon your ability to live in Curry Housing & Residential Life facilities.
2. ODS will review your application, supporting evidence, and documentation. They will determine whether there is sufficient evidence to warrant the ESA as a reasonable housing accommodation.
3. Until you receive confirmation that the request has been approved, the ESA CANNOT reside in campus housing.
4. Upon approval, you are expected to comply with all Residence Life requirements, deposit/application procedures, and behavior code policies regarding noise, cleanliness, and conduct. Students are responsible for their animal’s behavior.
5. Sign the Housing Agreement, which will specify expectations and directions about animal care and behavior.



Student Information

Full Name: _____ Curry ID: _____

Animal Information

Name: _____ Species and Breed: _____

Age: _____ Date of most recent vaccination: _____

Veterinarian: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip code: _____

Please respond to the questions listed below as completely as possible. Feel free to submit a separate document if you would prefer, but only if all the questions are answered.

1. What is the disability for which you are seeking an ESA? What is the nature and severity of this impairment?

2. What identified symptoms and/or effects of your disability will be alleviated by this ESA being requested?

3. In what ways will the requested ESA alleviate these symptoms?



Care Responsibilities for Emotional Support Animals

The following general policies are applicable to all approved emotional support animals (ESAs) and are enforceable through the Curry College Community Conduct Standards:

1. Curry College is not responsible for the care or supervision of the ESA. The owner agrees to take the animal home for any overnight absences and the duration of any vacation or break.
2. The animal's owner is responsible for the cost, care, and supervision of an ESA, including:
 - a. Compliance with any laws pertaining to animal licensing, vaccination, and owner identification
 - b. Providing veterinary evidence of the animal's health and vaccination
 - c. Keeping the animal under control and taking effective action when it is out of control
 - d. Feeding, walking, and disposing of waste
 - e. Waste disposal via university plumbing is prohibited in university buildings, and waste is to be disposed of in external trash containers.
3. Curry College will not require any surcharges or fees for an ESA. However, the animal's owner may be charged for damage caused by an ESA to the same extent that Curry College would normally charge any person for the damage they cause to university property.
4. The owner of the ESA must comply with all university rules regarding noise, safety, disruption, and cleanliness.
5. In all cases, the owner/handler of the ESA is responsible for the animal's behavior. The owner/handler is also subject to disciplinary action via the Curry College Student Conduct process.
6. In all cases, the owner of the animal agrees to hold harmless Curry College for any damage or any injury to others caused by their ESA.
7. If necessary, the removal of any ESA, with any necessary cleaning, repairs and/or pest control will be done at the expense of the responsible resident.
8. An ESA, as appropriate to the animal, must be housebroken (i.e., trained so that it controls its waste elimination, absent illness or accident).
9. The ESA must be kept under control by a harness, leash, or other tether at all times.
10. If the ESA shows aggression or threatening behavior of any kind toward any other person or animal, this may be just cause to remove the animal and bar it from campus. Prior to such action, a Curry College representative will notify the owner of the ESA about the concern and will try to resolve the concern with the ESA's handler.
11. The owner agrees to notify ODS of any changes to the ESA plan or animal providing emotional support.



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By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understood the above policies regarding Emotional Support Animals in Housing and Residential Life.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Printed Name: _____