

## Information for Students in Overflow Triples

### Room Information

Overflow triples are located in the largest double rooms of Mathias and South Halls.

### Staff Support

Residential Life Coordinators (RLCs) and Resident Advisors (RAs) living with the students are the best first contacts. They can assist with requests relating to furnishings, microfridges, safes, closet space, roommate conflicts, and any other questions or concerns that may arise. Our maintenance and central office staff are also attentive to the needs of our students living in overflow triples. When rooms are de-tripled, there are carts/dollies available for check-out to assist students in their moving process. After a room is de-tripled, staff will remove the third set of furniture.

### Room Change Process

Students in overflow triples are the first priority for room changes. We strive to give all incoming first-year students the same opportunities to connect with each other, transition to CC, and begin to make long lasting friendships.

### Priority of De-tripling

We will develop a priority list for de-tripling rooms based on several factors, such as the size of the room, the number of triples in a wing/building, individual student circumstances, and the level of conduct and sense of community within a wing. All students in overflow triple rooms are advised to communicate with their RLC and RA, especially if any concerns arise.

### Furniture

Maintenance staff arranges the furniture in the room prior to move-in. We will loft all three beds and place the desks and dressers underneath to maximize floor space. We will provide all three sets of furniture, except in rare cases when the room configuration is oddly shaped. In those cases, we may wait until the students arrive before putting in the last dresser or desk. Depending on what the three students want to remain in the room, we will remove some of the furniture (such as dressers, bookcases, etc.). To avoid charges for improper removal of furniture, students should not remove furniture themselves; instead, they should connect with their hall staff to ensure that it is removed to a safe location.

Each overflow triple room will be furnished with a microfridge (combination microwave and refrigerator). Two personal safes will also be provided in each of the rooms.

Eduroam is the primary wi-fi connection for students on campus. Each overflow triple room also contains at least two hard-wired ports. If you need additional ports, please contact the Housing Office at 719-389-6618 for information.

### Storage

We will provide storage in the residence hall basements for belongings that are not needed on a regular basis (suitcases, winter clothes, boxes, etc.). This storage is for students in overflow triples only. If a room is de-tripled, those students will need to retrieve their belongings and store them in their rooms. Students using this storage should mark all belongings with their name, CCID number, and date, using permanent marker/masking tape or other clear, visible means. This storage area is located inside the building, but, just as for all belongings kept in student rooms, we recommend students review their renter's or parents' homeowner's insurance to be sure that their belongings are covered in case of flood, fire, or other such incident. Students can only access this storage area when they are escorted by

a staff member. Any unmarked or unclaimed belongings left in storage will be donated to charity at the end of the year.

There are bike racks located near the buildings for bicycles (including a covered bike shed near Mathias), but some students have found freestanding bike hooks to be helpful for storing bicycles if they prefer not to leave them outside. These are available at local bike stores or via the internet. Please make sure any hooks you obtain are *freestanding*.

In addition to these options, there are storage lockers located outside Mathias Hall. These may be utilized by students in overflow triples free of charge. They are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Students will need to provide their own lock for the lockers. If a student is de-tripled, he/she may choose to continue use of the locker by paying for the rental, or he/she may decide not to use it anymore. Students who are interested in obtaining a storage locker should do so through the Mathias front desk.

### **De-tripling Process**

As spaces become available, we will offer students in overflow triple rooms the opportunity to move.

The process is outlined below:

1. All three students will receive an email offering the opportunity to move to a specific space on campus. This offer may not necessarily be for the students' first preference of spaces. For example, students living in a triple in an LLC may not always get an offer to move within the LLC leaving an overflow triple room. Our goal is to provide the opportunity to de-triple, and then students can use the room change process to try to get into a different community if they prefer.
2. The students have a limited time to respond so that we can continue through the list of triple rooms if necessary. We recommend that students in overflow triples check their email on a daily basis.
- If the students do not want to move to the space offered or do not respond to the offer by the stated deadline, they will be taken off the list of priority rooms to de-triple. These students can let us know that they are interested in specific spaces. For example, if 3 students live in a triple in the Outdoor Education LLC, and the space we offer is in an area that is not in the OELLC, they may want to specify that they want to wait for the possibility of a space in OELLC opening up.
3. If the students want to de-triple, there are several ways to determine who will be the person to move. Most often, the roommates are able to decide among themselves. If they cannot, the RLC can assist in this process.
4. The RLC can determine who will move based on meeting with the students and selecting a student or by drawing a name at random.
5. The RLC can also mandate a room change if the students have had incidents where it is apparent that their influence on each other or the community is not a positive one.

For additional information on overflow triple rooms, please call (719) 389-6618 or visit our website at <https://www.coloradocollege.edu/offices/housing-and-conferences/>