

Housing & Residential Life Photo Contest

Official Rules



Who is eligible?

The OSU Housing and Residential Life Photo Contest is open to residents living in Wentz and Parker Halls. This includes student employees of OSU Housing and Residential Life. Full-time employees of OSU are not eligible. OSU Housing & Residential Life reserves the right to verify winner eligibility. There is no entry fee.

Prizes

Prizes (Awarded to Each Hall): 1st - Mini iPad, 2nd - Fitbit, 3rd- OSU sweatshirt blanket

Winning image will be enlarged and placed as a focal point in the first floor lobby of each respective hall. A plaque will also be placed with the photographer's name and date.

Submissions

We are looking for positive images of living on campus. Photos must be appropriate for family viewing. All photos must be the original work of the entrant and must not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, rights of privacy, publicity, or other intellectual property or other rights of any person or entity. The entrant is required to obtain the necessary permissions from any third party or if a third party's property appears in the photograph. Housing and Residential Life reserves the right to disqualify any entry it finds in its sole discretion that any of the foregoing warranties are not true. Decisions of Housing and Residential Life shall be final and binding.

Each entrant can enter five (5) photos for consideration and judging. Digital photos should be taken at the highest resolution possible. Photos must be in a .jpg, .jpeg, or .gif format with a resolution of at least 300 dpi. Photos may be in color or black and white, and file size cannot be more than 2 mb. All submissions must be emailed to reslifemarketing@okstate.edu, with a signed copy of this statement

Deadline for Entry

Photos will be through **5 pm on Friday, April 29, 2016.**

Judging

Photos will be judged on originality, composition, and overall impact. All decisions by the judges will be final and binding. Winners will be notified by **5 pm on Friday, May 6, 2016.**

Digital Alterations

All photographs should accurately reflect the subject matter and the scene as it appeared. Photos that have been digitally altered beyond standard optimization will be disqualified. Acceptable are adjustments to color, contrast, brightness, and sharpness; removal of dust and scratches; cropping; black and white conversions; and use of HDMI (High Dynamic Range Imaging), where multiple exposures of the same scene are combined for a greater tonal range. Not acceptable are photo composites (combination of two or more photos, not of the same scene); the addition, duplication, deletion or moving of objects in the photos; or the use of artistic digital filters and effects. Examples of artistic filters and effects are watercolor, neon glow, posterizing, stained glass, and others which do not show the scene in its natural way.

By submitting photos, entrants release, defend, and hold harmless Oklahoma State University, Housing and Residential Life, and their agents or employees, including any firm publishing and/or distributing the finished product or products in whole or in part, whether on paper or via electronic media, from and against any claims, damages, or liability arising from or related to the use of the photographs, including but not limited to any misuse, distortion, blurring, alteration, optical illusion or use in composite form, either intentionally or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in taking, processing, reduction or production of the finished product, its publication or distribution.

Terms

Oklahoma State University and Housing and Residential Life reserves the right to remove photos from contest consideration if the content of the photos does not promote the OSU mission and core values, including content that is unlawful, obscene, defamatory, libelous, threatening, pornographic, harassing, hateful, racially or ethnically offensive, or encourages conduct that would be considered a criminal offense, give rise to civil liability, violate any law, or is otherwise inappropriate.

Each entrant agrees and grants OSU Housing and Residential Life permission to make available and display/perform and otherwise distribute entrants' names and photo submission(s) in all media in perpetuity without compensation. Each entrant also agrees to relinquish any right to inspect or approve the completed products which may include the entry photograph, advertising copy, or any other printed or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to the entrant or unknown, and waives all rights to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of his/her photograph.

I, _____ have read and agree to all terms in the Official Rules of
Print Name
the OSU Housing and Residential Life Photo Contest.

Signature _____ Date _____

Campus Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Email Address _____ Cell Phone Number _____