New England College

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Fill out this form if:
- ✓ You are a new resident student

# Meal Plan Contract – New Resident Student

Please TYPE or PRINT clearly

**Name:** **DOB** **Student ID#:**

**Cell Phone #**

## MEAL PLAN INFORMATION:

Resident students are required to select one of four meal plans - a 19, 15, 10, or 7 meals per week, each of which have their own allotment of Flex Cash.

The College has established the following meal plan policy for students:

- Resident students are required to select one of four meal plans - a 19, 15, 10, or 7 meals per week, each of which have their own allotment of Flex Cash.
- The maximum number of meals per week is 19 (3 meals per day Monday – Friday and 2 meals per day Saturday – Sunday).
- All undergraduate resident students in their first academic year at the College are required to purchase a 19 or 15 meal plan.
- Resident students who have completed at least one academic year at the College are required to purchase a 19, 15 or 10 meal plan, except for:
  - Resident students living in Rowe, Union, Sanborn, may elect to purchase any of the four meal plan options (i.e. 19, 15, 10 or 7)
- Resident students may decrease their meal plan selection within the guidelines listed above prior to Add/Drop in the Fall semester ONLY. After the Add/Drop date in the Fall Semester, no decreases may be made.
- Non-residential students and graduate students may select any one of the four meal plan options (i.e. 19, 15, 10 or 7). These selections are binding for the entire academic year.
- Non-residential students may decrease or cancel their meal plan selection prior to Add/Drop in the Fall semester ONLY. After the Add/Drop date in the Fall Semester, no decreases or cancellations may be made.
- Students may purchase a new meal plan or INCREASE their meal plan selection at any point. Students will be billed a pro-rated amount accordingly.

Meal Plan Contract Release & Termination

- Eligible students (i.e. commuters and students who have been released from the Housing Requirements and/or Housing Contract) will have until May 30, 2010 to opt out of their Meal Plan Contract WITHOUT penalty.
- Between June 1, 2010 and July 31, 2010, eligible student wishing to opt out of their Meal Plan Contract must submit a request in writing to the Residence Life and Housing Office. They will be released and charged $1,500 Contract Release fee.
- After July 31, 2010, all students are financially responsible for the charges associated with the Meal Plan Contract for the entire academic year.

On-campus residents will not be released from the Meal Plan contract unless they no longer attend New England College. Exceptions to this policy are made on an individual basis through the Meal Plan Contract Release and/or Meal Plan Requirement Exception process. Please note, these processes must be followed for any requests based on financial and/or medical need. Please contact the Residence Life and Housing Office for more details.

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Please mark your selection with an "X" in accordance with the stipulations outlined above:

| Mark your selection | Meal Plan Name | # of meals per week | Amount of Flex Cash per semester | Cost per semester | Cost per year |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Extra | 19 | $100 | $3,074 | $6,148 |
| | Gold | 15 | $160 | $2,440 | $4,880 |
| NA | Silver | 10 | $200 | $2,167 | $4,334 |
| NA | Bronze | 7 | $240 | $1,830 | $3,660 |

**SIGNATURE REQUIRED ON REVERSE SIDE**

GENERAL TERMS:

Gilmore Dining Hall contains dining rooms and provides cafeteria-style service, with two segments of seating in a bright, open floor plan. At this facility, students may use their meal plan allowances or pay in cash. The Simon Center houses the café which is a "to-go" option. At this facility, students may use their Flex Cash or pay in cash. All meals are planned and prepared under supervision of a contract food service.

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Each meal plan also includes a starting balance of Flex Cash. The amount is added to each student's meal card and may be used in either Gilmore Dining Hall or the Simon Center Café to purchase additional meals for the meal plan participant or a guest. Any unused Flex Cash from the Fall semester will "roll over" into the Spring semester. Any unused Flex Cash funds will be lost at the end of the Spring semester.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE MEAL PLAN CONTRACT:

1. The College reserves the right to modify or amend this contract at any time. Should this be necessary, advance notice of such amendments or modifications will be provided to students
2. New England College will not be liable for missed meals or for the failure to provide meals due to unforeseen or unavoidable circumstances. Unused meals cannot be transferred to anyone else and no refunds are available for students who do not take advantage of the maximum number available.
3. The student must present a valid NEC ID card at each meal and may not loan his or her ID card to anyone else. Students found loaning ID cards to others for the purpose of permitting them access to the Dining Hall will be referred for disciplinary action.
4. Students falsely presenting an ID card to gain access to the Dining Hall, sneaking in, or otherwise fraudulently participating in the Meal Plan will be referred for disciplinary action
5. The Dining Hall serves meals to students on the meal plan beginning with dinner on the day the residence halls open and ending with brunch on the day residence halls close. Meals are not provided during College break periods and vacation.
6. Food and beverages in the dining hall may not be taken out for consumption at a later time
7. Throwing of food, disruptive behavior, or theft of utensils or College/Dining Hall property will be referred for disciplinary action
8. Students are required to comply with all reasonable directives of College/Dining Hall personnel. Students engaging in behavior that is disruptive, endangers the safety of the diners or employees, or in other ways violates College policies while in the Dining Hall, will be referred for disciplinary action
9. Students must present themselves for meals suitably dressed. The Dining Hall staff may refuse to serve students who are not wearing clothes and shoes that comply with health codes or who otherwise are in possible violation of health standards. All questions regarding the Dining Hall should be referred to the General Manager of the Dining Hall.
10. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited
11. No pets are allowed (excluding service animals as permitted through ADA regulations)
12. Students must return trays, dishes, utensils and glasses to the dish area
13. After dining, table areas should be left clean in consideration of others
14. Smoking is not permitted inside or on the exterior deck
15. Those with dining privileges who fail to comply with expectations and guidelines are subject to disciplinary action, fines, temporary suspension of dining privileges, and/or revocation of meal privileges
16. Guests in the Dining Hall must abide by the policies and procedures of New England College as outlined in the student handbook, *The Compass*, as well as in the "Academic Catalog." It is the responsibility of the hosting NEC student to ensure his/her guest is familiar with and abides by all College policies. Guests must pay on a cash basis for meals attended.

By my signature, I have read and consent to the meal plan rates and the terms and conditions of the Meal Plan Contract. I understand that this Meal Plan Contract is binding for the entire academic year, excluding all announced vacation periods.

Student Signature | Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if student is under 18) | Date