

## Dining Plan Petition

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Participation in the residential dining experience is one of the fundamental cornerstones of community development among House System residents. All students living in the House System are assigned a dining plan.

For this reason, it is rare that students are excused from the board requirement. However, there are rare cases where a student may petition their dining plan. The Office of Undergraduate Student Housing only considers petitions for medical or religious reasons; lifestyle choices (ie; vegan, vegetarian, raw foodist ) will not be approved.

- To be released from the board plan altogether is rare, and requires substantial documentation from a physician.
- To be allowed to take a different board plan (ie; a first year in BJ wanting to be on the Bartlett Freshman meal plan) is rare, and requires substantial documentation from a physician.

Residents of Pierce, Burton-Judson and Max Palevsky can not be exempted from a dining plan altogether because there are not adequate kitchen facilities in these dorms for general student use. Students will have to move elsewhere in the House System, if space is available, if they wish to pursue a dining plan petition and it is approved.

A student who wishes to petition their dining plan needs to pick up a Dining Plan Petition form at the Office of Undergraduate Student Housing. It takes about 2 (two) weeks for a decision to be rendered once all the documentation is in. The Office of Undergraduate Student Housing often will ask for a representative from Campus Dining Services to first meet with a student to see if their needs can be met in ways that have not been tried before permitting a change or outright release from the board requirement.