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To: All Students
From: Exec

Subject: Clarification of
Priority System

The Executive Committee wishes to clarify the Priority System for the assignment of rooms and to reaffirm the fact that freshmen and sophomores normally have double rooms. Occasionally, when the number of available singles is greater than the number of juniors and seniors enrolled, singles are open to sophomores with the following stipulations:

- 1/ Sophomores within a house containing a newly opened single have priority over other sophomores on campus.
- 2/ If, at the beginning of a term, more singles are needed for juniors and seniors (e.g.-- those returning after a term of absence or those entering as transfers), sophomores with singles must return to doubles.
- 3/ The sophomore in a single has priority only in the case of the returning junior or senior wanting the sophomore's room instead of an available single. The junior or senior must take the empty single.

The Priority System:

"Room choosing for the following year takes place in May. Rooms are either retained by students who want to stay where they are or new rooms are chosen by a system of priorities approved by the Executive Committee. In general, seniors have first choice, juniors next, and so on." Handbook, p.36

- 1/ All freshman and sophomores (except in special cases) will have doubles. (See above)
- 2/ Sophomores and juniors in a house have priority over anybody on campus moving into the house. (Thus, a sophomore from Stokes has priority over a junior moving into Stokes).
- 3/ Seniors have priority over juniors; juniors in a house have priority over sophomores.
- 4/ All transfer students are considered by their grade at Bennington, not by how long they have been here. Thus, a junior transfer has the same right as a junior who has been here three years. However, juniors who are already in the school have priority over transfer juniors for available singles in a house. Transfer juniors and seniors have priority over resident sophomores for available singles.
- 5/ A student must live in a given house one term to establish residency. Then there is no priority in a house if two students in the same class have been in the house a different amount of time.
- 6/ If a room opens up in the middle of a term, the priority system stands. Freshman in a house have priority for doubles over freshman moving into the house.
- 7/ In June all sophomores in singles forfeit squatter's rights and join the rank of their class.

(The above priority system applies except in those special cases where assignments are made at the discretion of the Student Health Service or the Office of Student Personnel)

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