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The intent of this correspondence is to provide guidance on Regulation, 922 KAR 1:340, <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/kar/titles/922/001/340/> that went into effect on 9-28-2022 specifically related to youth on extended commitment and living in student housing.

A child that is seventeen (17) and one-half (1/2) years of age may be placed in a supervised independent living site or scattered independent living student housing site if an exception to subsection (2)(a) of this section is approved by the director of the Division for Protection and Permanency Director.

*To be clear this **does not** include scattered site apartment settings. Youth must be 18 years of age to be placed in a scattered site apartment setting.*

Licensed Private Childcare Providers who have Independent Living Programs in Kentucky are allowed to place youth in student housing. This new practice will begin in January of 2023.

DCBS workers have been asked to specify for Independent Living Placement searches on the 886A if the youth is wanting to live in a dorm setting and what school the youth will be attending.

DCBS workers have been asked to complete a new 886A for youth who are currently living on campus and plan to in the Spring of 2023. Private Childcare Providers should be receiving referrals for these young people to ensure staff have plenty of time to work with the youth and their post-secondary institution on their financial and housing needs for the Spring 2023 semester.

The agency is expected to provide the following support for youth on extended commitment living in student housing:

- Assistance moving on campus
- Receive items needed for dorm such as small fridge, linens, television, etc.
- Support youth in completing financial aid, registration, dropping/adding classes, etc.
- The agency will pay any outstanding school balances, after financial aid is applied.
- Support getting connected to campus resources.
- Ongoing case management including visits (at least once a month in dorm. Other visits can be in common places, etc.).
- Therapeutic Services if needed
- Be provided a safe temporary placement during breaks and holidays. Agencies are encouraged to negotiate a stipend for foster parents when youth desire to stay in foster homes during breaks.
- Transportation to and from temporary placement during breaks and holidays.
- Support with moving and storing items if needed during breaks and holidays.
- Participation in a tiered savings program
- Receive a \$500 monthly stipend
- Opportunity to participate in GPA Incentive per semester:
 - 2.0 – 2.5: \$250
 - 2.5 – 3.0: \$500
 - 3.0 – 3.5: \$750
 - 3.5 – 4.0: \$1,000

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