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## THE SPIRIT OF LINDENWOOD

To understand a college, one must understand the philosophy which undergirds it. At Lindenwood it is our purpose to consider each student as an adult with the privilege of self-direction tempered by the sense of responsibility necessary to community living.

It is important to learn the ways of freedom - to make the right choices, to discipline oneself for the greater end - that of education, to consider always the rights of others. This means, in the first place, the student will accept the principle of individual honor which is basic to Lindenwood's honor system, and, as a student, she will be completely trustworthy both in her academic and social life. This means, in the second place, the student will recognize she must live as a member of the group and many times must subordinate her own interests to those of the community.

Within such a framework of individual honor and community responsibility, the College expects of each student -

that she reflect both her family and her college wherever she may go, and, therefore, her behavior will be in conformity to the highest standards of American society.

that she accept the responsibility for absolute accuracy in signing in and out of the dormitory, either with friends or overnight.

that she understand the necessity of quiet hours in the dormitory for the furtherance of the educational program of the college.

Beyond these expectations there are three highly important considerations which are viewed by the Administration to be fundamental to the traditional tone and standards of the College. The College believes, for instance, that the required Convocations, Vesper services, and noonday Chapel are an integral part of the program, and, for this reason, places students upon their honor to attend

unless excused by a letter to the Dean of Students or by reason of Vesper cuts - four a semester.

The College feels, too, that if a student wishes to marry and continue in Lindenwood, notification of her marriage should be made both to her family and to the Administration.

Finally, Lindenwood College supports in full the State of Missouri's laws pertaining to the purchase or possession of any intoxicating liquor or beer by persons under the age of 21, and specifically prohibits the drinking and/or possession of alcoholic beverages by resident students and their guests on the Lindenwood campus or within the city limits of St. Charles, and at any formal Lindenwood College function off campus.

There are, of course, additional regulations pertaining to the use of college property or equipment and the care of student rooms. These will be posted in each room. How and when to sign out will be found above each sign-out desk. Class privileges will be distributed to students in accordance with their academic classification. The student government officers will help determine within each residence hall those specific regulations which enable a large group of persons to live happily and considerately together.

A "Rule Book" is a static thing. For that reason, each resident student is given a Lindenwood Folder in which to keep all memos having to do with student and administrative policies, and student government decisions which may be issued from time to time. It is also true that no rule book can possibly cover every contingency so when in doubt - ASK. Your Head Resident and Student Counselor are always available to answer your questions about the traditional, and, we hope, commonsense way of community living at Lindenwood.