

MPS Housing & Arrival Info

MPS 2019 Dorm: MacKimmie Hall – [230 Sunset Ave, Amherst, MA 01003](https://www.google.com/maps/place/230+Sunset+Ave,+Amherst,+MA+01003)

MPS 2019 students will be staying in MACKIMMIE HALL, a low-rise dormitory in the Southwest Residential Area.

Registration will be held in the lobby of MacKimmie, from 3-5pm on Sat, July 27.

Students will receive their room assignment and key, meal card, sticks, and t-shirt. You will be able to purchase books at Registration as well.

*****Please Note: Fearing Street is under construction and currently closed to traffic. Use the Driving Directions below to get to MACKIMMIE HALL*****

Directions to Parking Lot 32

From Springfield/Hartford/Bradley:

1. Take INTERSTATE 91 NORTH to EXIT 19. (Northampton/Amherst).
2. As you exit, take ROUTE 9 EAST to Amherst. (Bear RIGHT and cross the bridge.)
3. Follow Route 9 to ROUTE 116 NORTH.
4. Take Route 116 NORTH to the FIRST EXIT (UMass).
5. BEAR RIGHT at the end of the ramp.
6. Drive through the "BLINKING TRAFFIC LIGHT" and continue on MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE through the next traffic light.
7. Take your first RIGHT onto SUNSET AVENUE and then immediately BEAR LEFT into PARKING LOT 32.

From Boston and Points East:

1. Take Massachusetts Turnpike WEST to EXIT 4.
2. Follow Interstate 91 NORTH to EXIT 19 (Northampton/Amherst).

3. Follow From Springfield/Hartford directions.

From New York State: (Albany, Utica, Syracuse, Buffalo)

1. Take the New York State Thruway EAST to the Massachusetts Turnpike.
2. Drive EAST on the Mass Pike to EXIT 4.
3. Follow INTERSTATE 91 NORTH to EXIT 19 (Northampton/Amherst).
4. Follow From Springfield/Hartford directions.

From New Jersey:

1. Take the Garden State Parkway NORTH to New York State Thruway.
2. New York State Thruway SOUTH to EXIT 8.
3. Follow ROUTE 287 WEST (Cross Westchester Expressway) to Interstate 95 NORTH.
4. INTERSTATE 95 NORTH to New Haven.
5. Take INTERSTATE 91 NORTH to MASSACHUSETTS EXIT 19 (Northampton/Amherst).
6. Follow From Springfield/Hartford directions.

From Vermont:

1. Take INTERSTATE 91 SOUTH to EXIT 25. (So. Deerfield/Sunderland/Rte.5-10).
2. Turn LEFT at the end of the ramp.
3. Drive to the "T" and turn RIGHT on to RTE. 5-10.
4. Pass Yankee Candle then turn LEFT on to ROUTE 116 SOUTH to Sunderland/Amherst.
5. Follow ROUTE 116 SOUTH to the UMASS/AMHERST EXIT. (8.5 miles)
6. Bear LEFT at the end of the ramp and cross the bridge towards UMass.
7. Follow From Springfield/Hartford directions.

From New Hampshire:

1. Take INTERSTATE 93 SOUTH to Massachusetts 495 SOUTH.
2. Follow 495 South to ROUTE 2 WEST to ROUTE 202 SOUTH.
3. Take Route 202 South to EXIT 16 (Amherst/Belchertown).
4. Follow ROUTE 202 SOUTH for 15 miles towards Amherst/Belchertown.
5. Turn RIGHT to: Rte. 9-116/AMHERST/NORTHAMPTON at blinking yellow light.

6. Drive approximately 10.4 miles and then take ROUTE 116 NORTH to the FIRST EXIT (UMass).
7. Follow From Springfield/Hartford directions.

PARKING

The best place to park for Registration is Parking Lot 32, which is located between Lincoln Ave and Sunset Ave and adjacent to the Chabad House (section C5 of the Campus Map).

Parking Lot 32 is less than a 3-minute walk to MACKIMMIE HALL. Parking directly on Sunset Ave is only recommended temporarily for unloading your vehicle.

If you park in any area not specifically designated for the Mobile Percussion Seminar you may be subject to having your vehicle ticketed and/or towed at your expense.

PAYING OFF BALANCE DUE & BUYING BOOKS

If you are paying off balance due at Registration, please note that the only forms of payment we accept are cash, check, or money order. Checks and Money Orders can be made out to "MPS."

All MPS Students are required to have their own copies of the Championship Concepts for Marching Percussion Student Workbook (\$5) and A Percussionist's Guide to Check Patterns (\$20).

Students enrolled in the Section Leader Track Students also need to have a copy of Championship Concepts for Marching Percussion textbook (\$20).

Books can be paid for with Cash, Check, or Money Orders. We prefer **separate checks** for Balance Due and Books, if possible!

HEALTH FORMS AND WAIVER

University Health Form and MPS Waiver & Release Form MUST be mailed to our Business Office prior to the start of the Seminar.

In certain circumstances (late registrations, student's physical date is close to start of camp, etc), Waiver and Health Form can be turned in at Registration.

If we do not have both of these forms on July 27th, your student will NOT be able to participate in the Seminar.

This is a firm MPS policy, as it is a liability Issue.