



October 15, 2024

Dear Wolfville Landlords,

Thank you for your ongoing support of Acadia students as we welcomed everyone back for the 2024-25 academic year. I hope you'll agree that we are off to a strong start. I am writing today to provide you with information related to Acadia's Homecoming celebrations, and to seek your partnership in fostering a positive community atmosphere during Homecoming on October 18-20.

The Town continues to work with Acadia and the RCMP to support an enriched and safe Homecoming experience for students and the community. A complete schedule of events is available at www.acadiau.ca by clicking "Homecoming 2024" under News & Events.

In addition to the many sporting events scheduled throughout the weekend (Go Axemen & Axewomen!), I'd also like to draw your attention to some of the activities designed to keep students engaged and build a sense of community:

- Pancake Breakfast at the Axe, Saturday at 10am
- HOCO Bash at the SUB Parking Lot, Saturday at 11am
- Backyard BBQ at Alumni Hall, Saturday at 1pm
- HOCO Treats by ASU at the SUB, Saturday at 5pm
- HOCO Concert: Battle of the DJs at the Axe, Saturday at 8pm
- Student Dance Party at the SUB, Saturday at 9pm
- HOCO Dance Party with the Sundries at The Church Brewing Co, Saturday at 10pm
- Acadia Cleans Up Nicely throughout Town, Sunday at 10am

As you can see, many engaging activities have been planned and students understand they are to behave safely and responsibly during Homecoming and all year round. However, Town Compliance staff and the RCMP will have a notable presence throughout Town beginning Friday evening in case enforcement activities are required.

We understand that as landlords you have a vested interest in avoiding the large and disruptive parties we have seen in previous years. It would be helpful and appreciated if you could reinforce Town and University messaging to set expectations for gathering and appropriate behaviour with your tenants. We have provided a sample email you may consider sending to your tenants in advance of the weekend.

We appreciate the service you provide and understand the challenges you face as landlords. With this letter I also want to emphasize the Town's commitment to work together to foster a safe and healthy community for year-round and student residents. I will also offer support: if you observe activities at your property believed to be unsafe or illegal (ie: large gathering on lawns, balconies, driveways, roofs, etc...) please call the RCMP via 911 so it may be dealt with in a swift manner.



Please consider this an open line of communication. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me or the Town's compliance staff at any time.

Sincerely,

Glenn Horne
Chief Administrative Officer

Cc: Town Council
Kaden Thibault, Community Compliance Coordinator, Town of Wolfville
Sgt. Mitch Pelletier, RCMP
James Sanford, Executive Director Student Services, Acadia University

Sample Email to Tenants
Subject: Important Information for. Safe Homecoming

Dear (tenant's name),

With Homecoming approaching this weekend, I want to remind you that Acadia has organized a busy schedule of events that promote school spirit while ensuring your safety and enjoyment. You can find a complete schedule of events at www.acadiau.ca, under Homecoming 2024.

While these events are planned for your enjoyment, please remember that large and disruptive gatherings and parties affect not only you but your neighbours and the larger community. I would also like to mind you that the Town of Wolfville has a Nuisance Party Bylaw, which could have implications for you and your guests if you choose to host large party. You can learn more about the Nuisance Party Bylaw at www.wolfville.ca, under Homecoming 2024.

Please make smart and informed choices as you celebrate and have fun with your friends.

If you have questions, please feel free to reach out.

Sincerely,

(Your name)