

*The following email from Maureen Isleib, Director of Residential Life and Rick Culliton, Dean of Students was sent to Butterfield Residents earlier this morning.*

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Dear Butterfield Residents,

As most of you already know, the significant rain overnight associated with the remnants of Hurricane Ida caused flooding in the basement mechanical areas of Butterfield A, B and C. Some ground floor student rooms in Butterfield A were also impacted. As a result, the Middletown Fire Department asked Public Safety and Res Life to evacuate the buildings until the situation can be remediated. Butterfield residents are currently sheltering in the Bacon Field House with their RAs.

The University Facilities team has completed an initial assessment and several contractors have been called in to remediate the situation as quickly as possible. We are hopeful that the buildings will be ready to be reoccupied later today. We will provide you with an update on recovery efforts at noon today or as soon as more information is available.

We know that residents may need to return to their rooms to gather needed items for the day. All Butterfield residents will have access to your rooms between 7:00 and 8:00 a.m. to quickly change clothes and retrieve any personal items you may need for the day. In coordination with the Fire Department and remediation team require that the building be cleared again by 8:00 a.m.

We will work as quickly as possible to get you back home to your rooms in Butterfield. We'll be providing Dunkin Donuts and Coffee in the Freeman Athletic Center Lobby and the Usdan marketplace breakfast will open at 8AM. Thanks so much for your patience and good will during this unusual event.

Sincerely,

Maureen Isleib  
Director of Residential Life

Rick Culliton  
Dean of Students