

PURPOSE: To make sure laundry rooms in dorms are being used appropriately

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE SENATE:

SECTION ONE (REASONING):

Living in the dorms is a very different experience that many of us are not used to. Keeping facilities clean and use them responsibly. Leaving clothes in the washing machine too long can create mold or mildew in the washing machine and hinders other students from being able to use them. Leaving clothes in the dryer when they are finished drying irresponsibly stops other students from being able to use them.

It is unfair to students who want to wash their clothes to have to wait for a washer to open only because other students have not moved their laundry. Students can download the app to get text reminders for free or set a timer to know when to move their clothes.

This bill will support good residential behavior in the MSMS community living environment.

SECTION TWO (SPECIFIC ACTION):

On page 83 of the Student Handbook (PDF page 89) under the section “STUDENT AFFAIRS-RESIDENCE LIFE” the following would be changed to:

C. Laundry Rooms: Laundry rooms are provided for the convenience of the residents. Laundry cleaning products are not available for sale in the residence hall. It is necessary for everyone to help keep the laundry room clean.

RL.10. Items brought into the laundry room by students should not remain there beyond the time it takes to wash and dry them. **If clothes are left past time it takes to wash and dry them RA's can issue a written warning for the first offense and secondly a level 1 and so forth.**

RL.11. If clothing remains in the laundry room for three days, residence hall staff may dispose of the clothing or donate it at their own discretion.

RL.12. MSMS is not responsible for clothing that has been moved within the laundry room once the cycle has ended and the student has not come to collect or move over their laundry.

RL.13. Students should not begin doing laundry the time for lights out. If so, the machine may continue, but the room will be locked and the clothes retrieved the next morning

RL.14. MSMS is not responsible for lost or stolen clothing. MSMS utilizes the Speed Queen mobile app to monitor laundry within each residence hall. The app provides students: A way to pay for laundry (pay per use), an accurate real-time data monitoring of the machines, and the ability to receive notification when their cycle is complete.

Students can download the free app on their mobile devices, create an account, and begin using immediately. If a student does not have mobile access to pay, there is a coin operator on each machine. The cost to wash is \$1.00 per load and \$1.00 per load to dry.

SECTION THREE (APPENDIX):

RESPONSE 1 (ANONYMOUS):

“I support this bill. I've consistently experienced issues with doing laundry as most Goen residents are not responsible for taking out their laundry from the washers and dryers. I don't feel that there's any good excuse for leaving laundry unattended for so long, especially when there's an app that sends you notifications/reminders when your laundry is done.”

RESPONSE 2 (GOEN STAFF):

“I support this bill”