

# MEAL PLANS



Unlike other universities, Virginia Tech's dining plans don't provide a fixed number of meals per week but **work like a debit card**. Every purchase is deducted from your balance, which can be easily checked online or at the register in a dining center.



## MINOR FLEX PLAN

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS  
LIVING OFF-CAMPUS



## MAJOR FLEX PLAN

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS LIVING  
ON-CAMPUS OR OFF-CAMPUS



## MEGA FLEX PLAN

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS LIVING  
ON-CAMPUS OR OFF-CAMPUS



## PREMIUM FLEX PLAN

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS LIVING  
ON-CAMPUS OR OFF-CAMPUS

When choosing a plan, it's important to consider where you'll be living and how often you'll be eating in our dining centers. For example, if you think you'll eat off-campus each weekend or have a quick breakfast in your room every morning, those decisions will affect which dining plan is the best match for your lifestyle. Which plan is appropriate, will depend on your class schedule, lifestyle, and budget.

All students living **on-campus**, including first-year students, are required to purchase one of three dining plans: Major Flex Plan, Mega Flex Plan, or Premium Flex Plan.

Students living **off-campus** have a wide-range of options including Flex plans (Minor, Major, Mega, and Premium), Commuter Cash, Dining Dollars, and Hokie Passport deposits. Although not required, more than 10,000 off-campus students choose one of those options for the value and convenience of being able to eat on campus.

Flex Plans get a **67 percent discount** at D2, an all-you-care-to-eat venue in Dietrich Hall, and **50 percent off** the cash price at all other venues. Flex Plan holders also receive discounts on special events held by Dining Services.



## DINING DOLLARS

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Dining Dollars work like a debit card and can be used at any of our venues on campus. The plan is only available to students who live off-campus and provides the convenience being able to eat at our venues between or after classes.

Students using Dining Dollars receive a 5 percent discount on all purchases and don't pay sales tax. Deposits can be made in increments of \$25 to \$1,000 and remain on your account for as long as you're a student at Virginia Tech.



## COMMUTER CASH

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS  
LIVING OFF-CAMPUS

For students living off-campus, the Commuter Cash dining plan allows for tax-free purchases at our venues. (Unlike the Flex and Dining Dollars dining plans, Commuter Cash doesn't include discounted purchases.)

The initial balance must be spent by the end of spring semester. Deposits made in addition to the starting balance are converted to Dining Dollars and receive 5 percent off the cash price for all purchases.



If you will be living on campus, you will automatically be signed up for the Major Flex Plan. If you think you'll be eating on campus more often, you can upgrade to the Mega or Premium Flex plans using StarRez. Students can also make deposits on to their Flex Plans, which are called Flex Additions, and receive the same discounts as the starting balance of Flex Dollars.

Included in the price of each Flex Plan is a base cost that covers the utilities, maintenance, repairs, and labor for our dining centers. The remaining balance, called Flex Dollars, can be used at our dining centers and receive a discount on each purchase. Unused Flex Dollars at the end of the spring semester can't be refunded or transferred to the next fall, so it's important purchase a plan that best meets your needs. Students with a Flex Plan for the fall semester will automatically be assigned and billed for the same dining plan for the spring semester. You can also change your plan at StarRez up until the day before dining plans start each semester.

## ADDING MONEY TO YOUR ACCOUNT

Deposits on any dining plan can be made online throughout the year at HokieSpa. Information about deposits, balances, and transaction history can also be found at [www.hokiepassport.vt.edu](http://www.hokiepassport.vt.edu). Plan holders can also make deposits at a cash-to-card machine, which are located all across campus (find the list online).

Deposits can also be made by cash or check at Hokie Passport Services in the Student Services Building on campus at 800 Washington Street, SW.

Dining plans that are not used for a period of 12 consecutive months, will be closed according to state policy. Dining Dollars deposits carry over from year to year and can be used as long as a student is enrolled at the university.

Students can use their dining plans at any of the 46 venues on campus, but as an example, here's how many meals you can eat a week with each Flex plan at D2, an all-you-care-to-eat venue in Dietrick Hall:



**MAJOR FLEX PLAN**  
ABOUT 10 MEALS PER WEEK



**MEGA FLEX PLAN**  
ABOUT 12 MEALS PER WEEK



**PREMIUM FLEX PLAN**  
ABOUT 14 MEALS PER WEEK



Keep up with how you spend your Major, Mega, or Premium Flex Plan money by finding our **Flex Use Guides** at the registers of our dining centers! These Flex Use Guides have a chart that will help you determine whether you will run out of money before the end of the semester or whether you will have too much.