

Waking with a start, you hear an RA coming down the hall to start inspecting the residence halls for White Glove. You glance around your room, remembering that neither you nor your roommate, who is nowhere to be found, has started cleaning.

Don't worry. The Collegian is here for you.

While we would never promote such procrastination, the *Collegian* staff has compiled advice from BJU students to help you conquer your White Glove cleaning in a quick, effective manner—no matter how late you start.

First and foremost, remember that White Glove will take place on Saturday, Oct. 27. The residence halls will be inspected beginning at 5 p.m.

Josh Till, a hall mentor in Johnson, said freshmen and transfer students, who haven't yet experienced White Glove, shouldn't stress out. He said that, as long as a diligent effort is made, students will be fine. Till also said to be sure that all laundry is put away. The room may be immaculate, but laundry that is not folded in drawers or hanging in closets automatically causes the room to fail.

Till said buying disinfectant wipes would be a good idea as the bathrooms will run out of paper towels quickly. He also said to give yourself plenty of time for laundry because the washers and dryers will soon have long lines of students waiting to use them.

Tyler Stinedurf, a hall mentor in Johnson, said students should clean underneath their mattresses. Trash and odds-and-ends can often fall down the bed corners and accumulate underneath the mattress.

Lydia James, an RA in Creel, said to clean the room a little bit every night the week leading into White Glove so that the weekend of White Glove isn't overwhelming. James said, "Talk with your roommates and divide the checklist sooner rather than later."



HOW TO SURVIVE WHITE GLOVE

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TIPS

Start early. 

Do laundry as soon as possible because lines form fast. 

Buy some disinfectant wipes. (They save time and are useful all semester.) 

Play Disney music to keep you going. 

Check underneath all the mattresses because the RAs will. 

Clean out the cabinet tracks. 

Dust the light covers and smoke alarm. 

Vacuum last. 

Plan something fun for afterwards. 

Hide underneath the double bed and scare your RA (at your own risk.) 

Drew Bond, a senior who has yet to fail White Glove, said the tracks for the cabinets are easy to forget but need to be dusted.

Kenny Burkholder, an RA in Johnson, said it's best to save vacuuming for last.

Molly Wilson, a junior journalism and mass communication major, suggested playing Disney music to keep you energized as you clean.

Rachel Anderson, a sophomore early childhood education major, said it's important to work ahead. "Definitely do your laundry way ahead," she said. "And leave that morning free to work on it."

CJ Billiu, a senior journalism and mass communication major, recommends finding something fun to do after White Glove. That way, you'll have something to look forward to while cleaning. He also said that if it's a nice day, you can open up the window and let the fresh air come into the room.

Hannah Moody, an RA in Mack, said, "For freshmen, expect to do a lot of cleaning you may never have done before." She said, "Also expect to clean much more thoroughly than simply room job."

Moody said students new to White Glove should ask for advice from upperclassman who have been through White Glove.

Kara Hobi, an RA in Creel said, "For [women], if you're organized, expect to spend at least a few hours on White Glove." She also said, "For disorganized [women], it may take substantially longer."

As for men students, Hobi said to make the best of the 30 minutes you'll likely spend on it.

Ashley Anderson, a dorm mentor in Gaston, "The purpose is to give the roommates a chance to really clean and organize their room halfway through the semester."