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**RADFORD UNIVERSITY
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MARTIN HALL, SECOND FLOOR, EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
RADFORD, VIRGINIA
DECEMBER 7, 2017**

MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Debra “Deb” K. McMahon, Chair

Dr. Susan Whealler Johnston, Vice Chair

Dr. Jay A. Brown

Ms. Jessica Wollman, Student Representative (non-voting advisory member)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Ms. Karen K. Moran

Mr. Steve A. Robinson

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Mark S. Lawrence, Rector

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Kenna Colley, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Ms. Lisa Ghidotti, Director of State Governmental Relations

Ms. Katherine “Kitty” McCarthy, Vice President for Enrollment Management

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Debra “Deb” K. McMahon, Chair, formally called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room, second floor, Martin Hall, Radford University, Radford, Virginia.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. McMahon requested a motion to approve the December 7, 2017 Student Affairs Committee agenda as published. Dr. Susan Whealler Johnston so moved, and Dr. Jay A. Brown seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. McMahon requested a motion to approve the September 14, 2017 Student Affairs Committee minutes, as published. Dr. Brown so moved, and Dr. Whealler Johnston seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Minutes are available at

<https://www.radford.edu/content/bov/home/meetings/minutes.html>.

REPORTS

Student Government Association Report

Ms. Julianna Stanley, President of the Student Government Association (SGA), updated the committee on fall 2017 SGA events. Events included: a freshmen cookout hosted by President Brian O. Hemphill, a winter coat drive to support Helping Eradicate Homelessness through Resources Opportunities and Supplies (HEHROS), the campus safety walk, and a K-cup recycling drive. Her presentation also included legislation and community involvement initiatives for SGA. The SGA is discussing the current Radford University smoking policy and student concerns regarding this issue. The SGA Student Finance Committee is working on a pilot program to offer students with financial need an interest-free student loan in support of tuition, fees, and/or books. A copy of Ms. Stanley's report is attached hereto as *Attachment A* and is made a part hereof.

Housing Occupancy and Retention Update

Dr. Jamie Penven, Director of Housing and Residence Life, and Dr. Andrea Zuschin, Interim Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, provided the combined housing and retention update and fall to date numbers. Dr. Penven also discussed the partnership with High Impact Practices, and expanding on the recent success of programs. One example of that success is the Living Learning Community, which has an increase in fall-to-fall retention of new freshmen. Dr. Zuschin discussed the use of data analytics and noted improvements in the process with examples, such as freshmen mid-term GPA statistics and withdrawals. A copy of Dr. Penven and Dr. Zuschin's report is attached hereto as *Attachment B* and is made a part thereof.

Student Affairs Report

Ms. Susan Trageser, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs, provided the Division of Student Affairs report. Updates included: the new student counseling staffing model, typical reasons students seek counseling services and measures taken to assist them. The Division of Student Affairs has also been collaborating with academic departments and faculty to offer alcohol, drug and sexual assault prevention education services. Student Affairs fall 2017 activities include: the Outdoor Nation Challenge, a national physical activity competition in which Radford University finished first in Virginia and third nationally. The Radford City Bobcat Backpacks Program food drive was a success, collecting over 15,000 items supporting area students.

Ms. Trageser concluded with an update on the Student Success goals and strategies in the Radford University 2018-2023 Strategic Plan. The initial assessment of program and department collaborations and planning has begun. A copy of Ms. Trageser's report is attached hereto as *Attachment C* and is made a part thereof.

ACTION ITEMS

Recommendation of Resolution for Approval of Required Immunization Records for Student Admission

Dr. McMahon discussed the recommended changes of the current required immunization records for admitted students and compared the proposed changes with other Virginia public four-year institutions. Dr. McMahon requested a motion to recommend to the Board of Visitors the

resolution for approval of required immunization records for student admission. Dr. Brown so moved, and Dr. Whealler Johnston seconded. The recommendation passed unanimously. The resolution is attached hereto as *Attachment D* and is made a part thereof.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. McMahon requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Whealler Johnston so moved, and Dr. Brown seconded. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Jenni Tunstall
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs
Secretary to the Committee

Student Government Association Update

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Events

- Freshmen Cookout, hosted by Dr. Hemphill at his home
- Fear to Freedom
- Radford Gives Back Food Drive
- Voting Awareness Tabling
- Partner with the SAVES Office, for Dating and Domestic Violence Table
- Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser (Pie a Professor with ZTA)
- Alumni Village During Homecoming weekend
- Student Appreciation Day
- Coat Drive for the HEHROS Program
- Campus Safety Walk
- K-cup Recycling Drive



Legislation

- Gatekeeper Mental Health Awareness Resolution of 2017- Passed October 16, 2017.
- Tank tops allowed in the Recreation and Wellness Center
- Smoking Legislation
- Feminine Hygiene Product Pilot Program
- Emergency Numbers on the Back of Student IDs
- What Do You Want Wednesday's



Community Involvement

- Adopt-A-Spot
- Belle Heth Elementary Commit to Graduate
- Trunk or Treat at the Community Housing Partners
- Volunteering at the Radford Daily Bread



Additional Updates

- The Student Finance Committee is working on a micro grant program for students.
- Ring Dance - March 24, 2018 from 5:00 P.M.-12:00 A.M.
- Consent Campaign
- Unity Fest



Questions?

Attachment B

Housing and Residential Life & Student Retention

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Living-Learning Communities

The Problem

First year student retention has hovered at 75%.

Interventions were needed to increase our Fall-to-Fall retention of freshman.



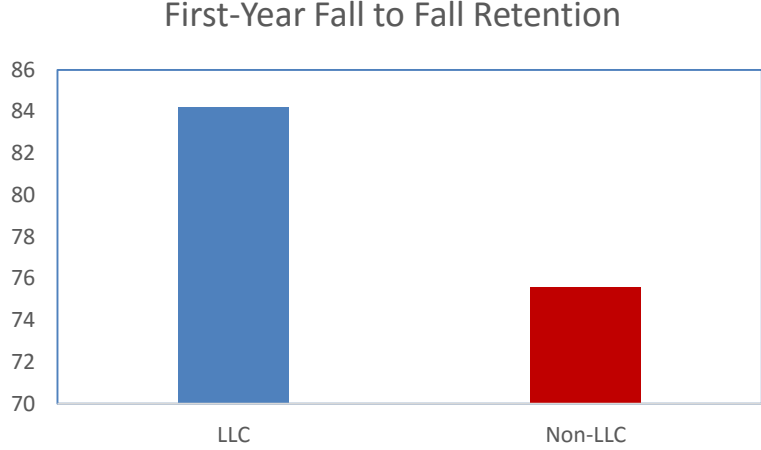
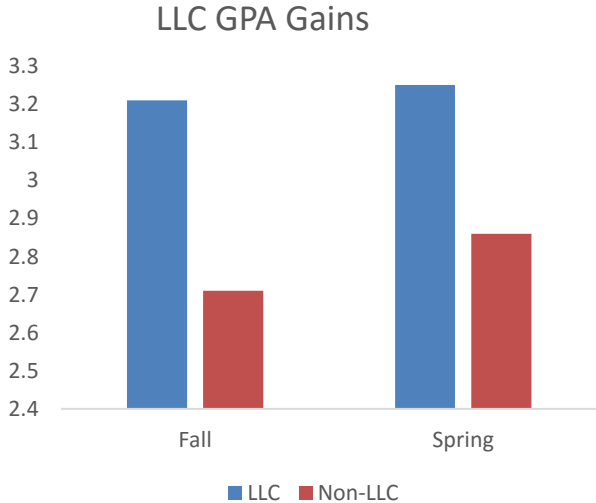
Our Response

First Year Living-Learning Communities (LLC) featuring:

- faculty-led teams driving the community development, and
- students living together in the same residence hall, taking 1-2 classes and participating in co-curricular programming.

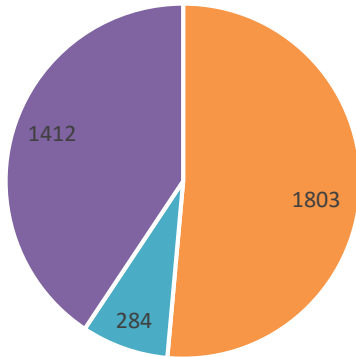
Living-Learning Communities

Outcomes



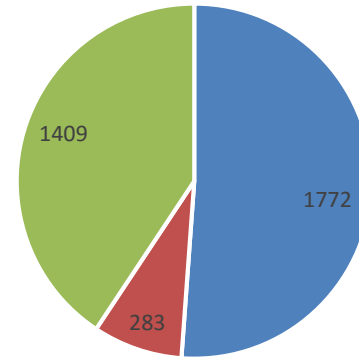
Occupancy Updates

September Occupancy: 3499
(9/1/2017)



■ Freshman ■ Transfer/Re-Admit ■ Returning

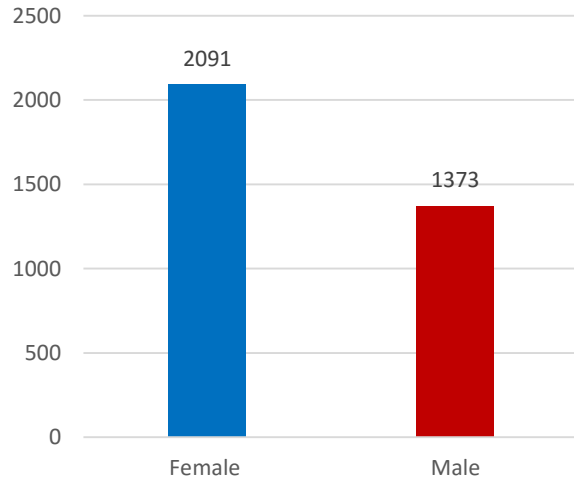
October Occupancy: 3464
(10/31/2017)



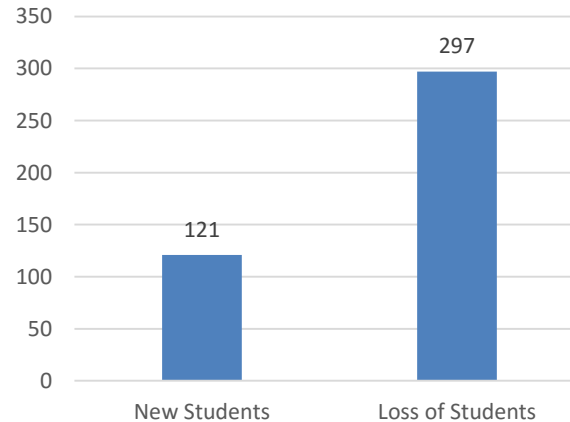
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Occupancy Updates: Detail

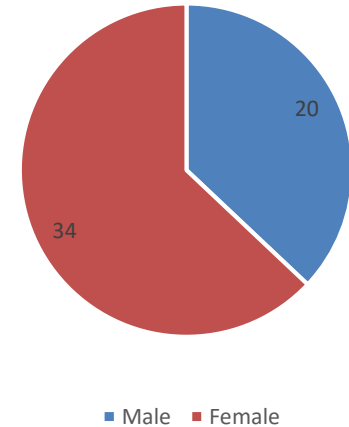
Occupancy by Gender



Spring Occupancy Averages
2015-2017

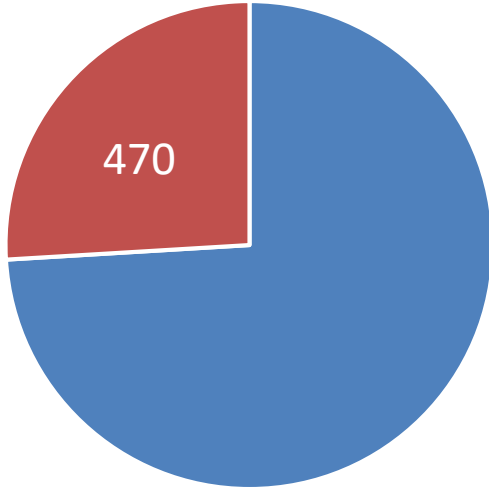


54 Temporary Residents
(RA Roommates)
(October 31, 2017)



Data Analytics

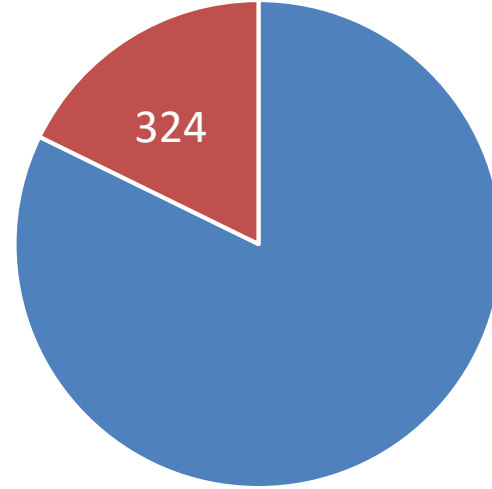
Week 4



Range = 0.48 – 3.71

< 1.8

Week 9



Range = -2.3 – 4.3

Mid-Term Status

New Freshmen

Midterm GPA Range	On-campus	Off-campus	Total
0.00	17	5	22
0.1-0.49	26	6	32
0.5-0.99	66	11	77
1.0-1.49	139	36	175
1.5-2.0	243	51	294
Totals	491	109	600

Readmits and Probation

Combined Projected GPA Range	On-campus	Off-campus	Total
0.5-0.99	5	6	11
1.0-1.49	27	18	45
1.5-1.99	68	140	208
Totals	100	164	264

University Withdrawals

University Withdrawals After Census (Nov 3)					University Withdrawals After Census (percentages)				
	Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017		Fall 2014	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017
New Freshman	10	17	15	10	New Freshman	0.50%	0.87%	0.86%	0.54%
New Transfer Freshman	2	5	1	4	New Transfer Freshman	0.78%	1.75%	0.39%	1.50%
Sophomore	13	8	9	8	Sophomore	0.76%	0.47%	0.56%	0.52%
Junior	8	7	4	10	Junior	0.44%	0.40%	0.22%	0.57%
Senior	8	5	5	9	Senior	0.34%	0.21%	0.22%	0.40%
Total	53	50	42	48	Total	0.60%	0.56%	0.50%	0.57%

First Year Achievers' Day



November 14

399 Freshmen

3.4 GPA or better

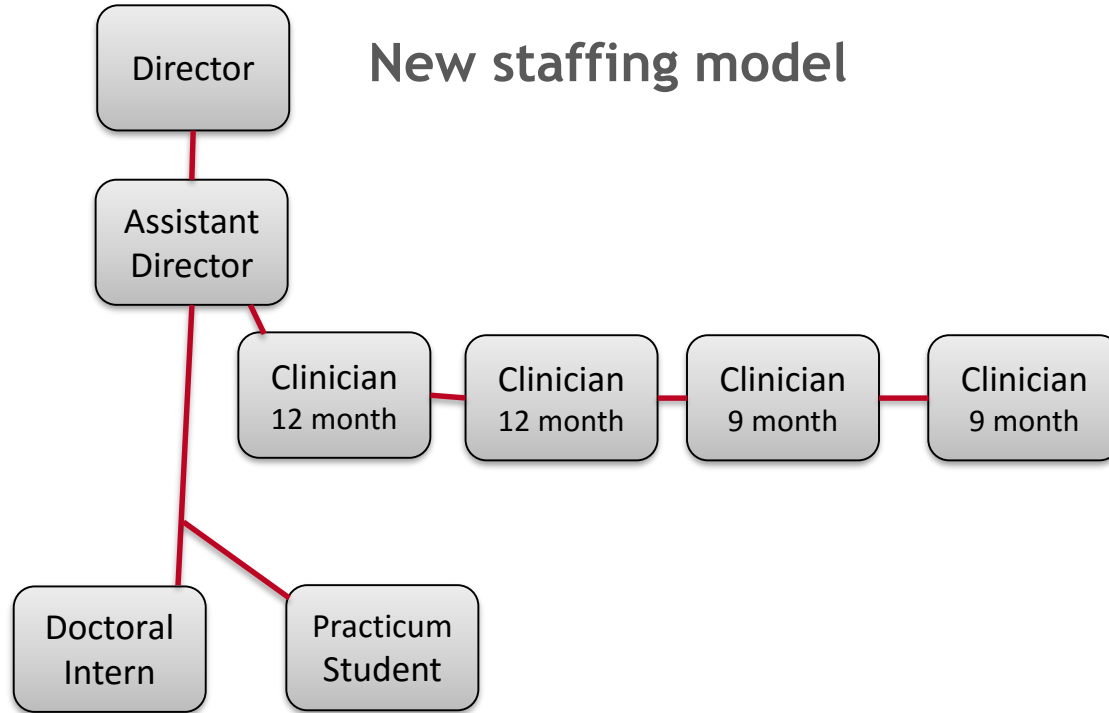


Questions?

Student Affairs Division Report

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Student Counseling Services



- Increase in consultation with faculty/staff
- Program requests from student organizations
- Program requests from faculty
- New triage system
- Post-hospitalization resource

Advocacy, Awareness & Prevention

- SAVES has provided advocacy services to 28 unique students this semester.
- Prevention Education services has provided over 50 programs and has reached over 1,800 students, faculty/staff, and community members.
- Dating & Domestic Violence Awareness week was held in October. The week featured events such as the Love Your Body Challenge, Self- Defense Training and nationally known guest speaker, Christine Smith.

Support

- Survivors of Sexual Assault weekly support group participation has increased from three students to five students.
- RU Aware has seen an increase in students voluntarily seeking intervention for substance use concerns.
- A \$5,000 grant, Transforming Youth Recovery Seeds of Hope, was secured to support the implementation of a Collegiate Recovery Program.
- 550 campus and community members assembled care packages for victims of violence and sexual assault during the Fear 2 Freedom program.
- SAVES has partnered with New River Valley Community Services to be involved in their upcoming media campaign, The Face of Addiction is Mine.

Students Alleged to Violate University Policy

August 1 - October 31 Numbers			
	Fall 15	Fall 16	Fall 2017
On-Campus (Total)	292	312	198
Off Campus (Total)	152	170	182
On-Campus (Alcohol and Drug Related)	192	237	131
Off Campus (Alcohol and Drug Related)	135	152	155
Student Charged with Alcohol	283	327	203
Student Charged with Drug	63	103	87
Student Charged with Endanger Conduct (High BAC, "Hard Drugs", DUI, Alcohol Poisoning)	74	87	72

- These are the numbers of students that have allegedly violated University policy since August 1, 2017.

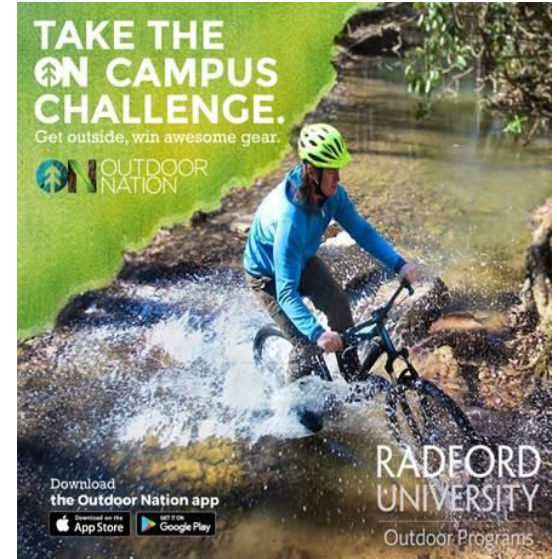
Student Recreation and Wellness Center

Outdoor Nation Challenge:

- Finished #1 in Virginia
- Finished #3 nationally (in our division) and #12 out of all divisions

RU Outdoors Fall 2017

- 34 recreational trips
- Renew the New community service clean up
- Instructional Training courses on swift water rescue and climbing wall instructor



Radford Gives Back

- 15,136 food items were donated
- 108 campus organizations and departments donated goods
- 250 student, faculty, staff and community volunteers participated

The program is a Radford University/City of Radford partnership dedicated to providing food for children in the local community through the Bobcat Backpack Program.

a day of service

RADFORD GIVES BACK
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

help us collect 17,000 food items!

**WEDNESDAY,
OCT. 25, 2017**

**SIGN UP ON
RU INVOLVED!**

NON PERISHABLE FOOD DROP OFF	CELEBRATION & PACKING DONATIONS
9AM - 5PM OCT 24	5PM OCT 25
9AM - 3:30PM OCT 25	REACHING OUR GOAL OF 17,000 ITEMS WOULD PROVIDE 110 KIDS WITH WEEKEND FOOD FOR THREE MONTHS!

Radford Gives Back highlights the University's commitment to partner with the Radford community. This 2nd Annual event is a campus-wide food drive to benefit the Bobcat Backpacks Program - a nonprofit organization that serves Radford City children with weekend food insecurity.

**STUDENT RECREATION AND WELLNESS CENTER
MAC COURT**

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For more information, contact Lee Stewart, lstewart@radford.edu or Teresa Dickens, tdickens2@radford.edu. Follow Bobcat Backpacks Program on Facebook for updates and photos.

Student Immunization Record

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Code of Virginia

- **§23.1-800.B**
 - Prior to enrollment for the first time in any baccalaureate public institute of higher education, each student shall be immunized by vaccine diphtheria, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles (rubeola), German measles (rubella) and mumps according to the guidelines of the American College Health Association.
- **§23.1-800.C**
 - Prior to enrollment for the first time in any baccalaureate public institute of higher education, each full time student shall be vaccinated against meningococcal disease and hepatitis B unless the student, or if the student is a minor, the student's parent or legal guardian, signs a written waiver stating that he has received and reviewed detailed information on risks associated with meningococcal disease and hepatitis B and the availability and effectiveness of any vaccine and has chosen not to be or not to have the student vaccinated.

Immunization Record Requirements Proposed Changes

- Change varicella vaccine from required to recommended;
- Add hepatitis B vaccine waiver;
- Add meningococcal vaccine waiver;
- Add religious exemption; and
- Add hepatitis B and meningococcal disease information for review prior to signing waivers as cited in Code of Virginia §23.1-800.C.

Questions?

RADFORD UNIVERSITY STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**RESOLUTION FOR REQUIRED IMMUNIZATION RECORDS
FOR STUDENT ADMISSION**

DECEMBER 7, 2017

WHEREAS, Code of Virginia § 23.1-800 establishes the immunization record requirements for first time enrollees in public institutions of higher education, and

WHEREAS, unless exempt from the immunization requirements, each student shall be immunized by vaccine against diphtheria, tetanus, poliomyelitis, measles (rubeola), German measles (rubella), and mumps according to the guidelines of the American College of Health Associations, and

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia also requires vaccination against meningococcal disease and hepatitis B unless the student signs stating that he has received and reviewed detailed information on the risks associated with meningococcal disease and hepatitis B and the availability and effectiveness of any vaccine and has chosen not to be vaccinated, and

WHEREAS, the Radford University Admissions policy needs amendment to ensure enrolled student compliance with Code of Virginia § 23.1-800.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors approves the amendment of the Radford University Admissions policy to conform with requirements in the Code of Virginia.

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End of Materials