

# Nashville

## Center Profile



**ELS Language Centers  
at Middle Tennessee State University**  
820 Fairview Avenue  
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

### Center Hours

8:00 am to 5:00 pm (Monday – Friday)  
Closed on weekends and holidays

### Key Location Features

- Public University campus location
- Single-room student housing – amenities include computer lab, swimming pool, and game room, along with full kitchen, in-room internet and cable.
- New Recreational Facility with indoor pool
- Concurrent Enrollment available at MTSU for qualified students
- TOEFL® iBT and IELTS™ testing center

### Area Attractions

- Largest shopping area in Tennessee
- Nashville's "Music Row" (music recording studios), the Grand Ole Opry (country music hall) and Gaylord Entertainment Center
- Music clubs and nightlife (Jazz, Blues, Country, Rock and R&B music)
- Museums: The Frist Center for Visual Arts, The Parthenon, Cheekwood Botanical Garden
- Memphis (Elvis' home), White-water rafting, Chattanooga and the Great Smoky Mountains nearby

### Climate

Nashville has a moderate climate. Spring and fall are very comfortable while summers are hot and humid. Winters are cool and the lowest temperatures are below freezing but snow is not common.

#### Average Temperatures (Celsius)

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Winter	-2	8
Spring	9	22
Summer	21	32
Autumn	9	22

### Host University Information

Visit [www.mtsu.edu](http://www.mtsu.edu) to learn more about MTSU's degree programs. Visit the ELS College Directory at [www.collegedirectory.els.edu](http://www.collegedirectory.els.edu) to learn about other local universities & colleges that accept ELS completion in place of the TOEFL®.

### Surrounding Area Information

Average travel time (in minutes) from ELS Center:

<u>Housing Options</u>	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Method</u>
Student Residence:	5	By bus
Homestay:	20	By car

### Local Places

Airport:	40	By car/taxi
Bank:	10	By walking
Downtown:	10	By car/bus
Post Office:	15	By walking
Restaurant(s):	5	By walking
Shopping Mall:	5	By car/taxi
Sports Center:	3	By walking
Supermarket:	5	By car/taxi
Bus Stop/Subway:	3	By walking

### Nearby Cities

Memphis, TN	180	By car or bus
Atlanta, GA	240	By car or bus

### Local Transportation

Public transportation consists of buses, but they are limited in reach. MTSU does have a number of bus lines near it, which will take students to downtown Nashville. Public Transportation (bus). Since it is not a large city, it will be reasonable for students to share taxis as well. Student housing offers shuttle services to local shopping malls.

### Smoking/Alcohol Policy

Smoking is not permitted in the buildings at MTSU or in the student residence. Designated smoking areas are found throughout campus. Alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, liquor) are strictly prohibited at MTSU. Student housing allows alcohol if residents are over 21 years of age.

### Housing Check-in and Departure

Students with confirmed ELS housing reservations should go directly to their assigned housing upon arrival (not the ELS Center) on the Sunday before their course begins. Arrivals and departures on dates/times other than those listed require special approval.

Please see "Check-in" instructions in the following sections for exact arrival details and times.

## HOUSING & ARRIVAL DETAILS - NASHVILLE

### Student Residence

Males and Females live in separate residences.

#### Rooms: Single Occupancy

Students have private bedrooms with private bathrooms. Students share the living room, kitchen and laundry facilities with two other students. Rooms include full-size bed, dresser, desk, chair, closet, and private bathroom. Linens are included and the kitchen is supplied with utensils for cooking and eating. Each room has Internet and Cable TV access. The living room includes a TV.

Meals Included: None - Can purchase meal card at the cash register of the MTSU cafeteria after arrival for any amount of money desired. The card may then be used any time the student wants to eat on campus.

#### Age Minimum: 18+ years old

Laundry Facilities: Self-service machines are available in the student housing. These are free during the school year and summer.

Security/Resident Assistant: 24-hour security desk on site. There are two, on-site, American student resident assistants – one male and one female.

#### Check-In: 12:00 pm to 10:00 pm (Sunday) check-in

The Residence Assistants are available from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. on "Check In" Sunday. Please go to 2707 S. Rutherford Blvd., Murfreesboro, TN 37130. The Residence Assistant will provide keys. If the Residence Assistant is unavailable, you may contact student housing security (615-217-9360) for assistance or wait for the Residence Assistant as she or he may be helping another student to his/her room.

Damage/Key Deposit: None

Checkout Time: 12 noon (Saturday)

### Homestay

#### Rooms: Single (1 person)

Meals Included: 14 per week (daily continental breakfast & dinner)

#### Age Minimum: 16+ years old

Flight Information: Homestay students should notify their Host Families or ELS of their arrival times so that families will know to be home when they arrive.

Transportation to ELS: Host family students are responsible for their personal transportation. Some host families drive students to/from the campus and some require a commute by bus.

#### Check-In: 8:00 am to 10:00 pm (Sunday) check-in

Students go directly to homestay address.

Checkout Time: 12 noon (Saturday)

### Airport Arrival Information

ELS Language Centers recommends that students choose the ELS Airport Pickup Service for arrivals (booked through ELS Central Admissions), however other transportation options are also available.

Area Airport: Nashville International (BNA)

#### ELS Airport Pickup Service Provider Information:

Anytime Transport

Tel: 1-877-479-5483 (toll free) or 1-615-217-7433

Web: [www.anytimetransport.com](http://www.anytimetransport.com)

The driver will hold a sign with the student's name on it.

Airport Pickup Meeting Locations are as follows (by arrival type):

International: Not applicable

Domestic: Baggage Claim Area

#### Other Transportation Options From the Airport:

Taxis from Nashville Int'l airport to the campus or homestays will cost approximately \$55 plus tip, with a travel time of 35 minutes.

### **Toll-free Emergency Phone Numbers**

1(800) 859-8871 for Arrival Weekend emergencies.

For other emergencies requiring immediate attention outside of business hours, call the ELS Help Line 1(800) 435-7357 (1-800-HELP-ELS).

### **Recommended Hotels**

If hotel accommodations are needed before the housing check-in date, we recommend the following hotels. Advance reservations are recommended. Prices (15% hotel tax not included) are subject to change. Ask for the special Middle Tennessee State University rate.

Hampton INN  
2230 Armory Dr.  
Murfreesboro, TN 37129  
\$69 per night  
Tel: 1(615) 896-1172

Ramada Limited  
1855 S. Church St.  
Murfreesboro, TN 37130  
\$60 per night  
Tel: 1(615) 896-5080

### **Center Arrival Information**

New Students should report to the ELS Nashville Center at **8:30 am on the first Monday** of their program for registration, the ELS placement test and orientation. New students need to bring the following:

- ☐ Passport (plus I-94 card & I-20 form - if applicable)
- ☐ Funds to pay tuition and housing and other relevant fees (or receipt showing pre-payment)
- ☐ Proof of medical insurance (or funds to purchase ELS insurance)
- ☐ Materials contained in the acceptance package