



The 2026 Student Housing Printing Report

6,000 survey responses.

433,900 unique users.

13,508,079 pages printed.

128% utilization rate.

1 clear takeaway. **Printing still matters.**



Most students don't think about printing until they suddenly need it. It's the syllabus a professor expects them to bring to the first day of class. It's the research paper due at 8 a.m. that still requires a physical copy. It's the resume for a campus career fair. In those moments, printing transforms from an afterthought into a necessity.

For millions of students living in off-campus student housing communities, printing is a small service that carries surprising weight. **When it isn't available, the disruption is immediate, especially during peak academic periods.**

WithMe, Inc. powers printing for more than 1.1 million students nationwide through its self-serve amenity. This report, built on 6,000 survey responses from real **PrintWithMe** student users, clearly shows that printing isn't obsolete. It's thriving.

Shared printing delivers measurable value for student housing communities by eliminating the cost and burden of clunky, outdated equipment, reducing reactive work for on-site teams, and supporting students with convenient, on-demand printing right where they live.



WithMe**433K+**

students printed with PrintWithMe
from Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025

**13.5M+**

pages were printed in student housing properties
from Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2025

**128%**

unit utilization rate in student housing communities
in 2025

**60%**

of students use PrintWithMe at least a few times
each month

**50%**

of student residents use PrintWithMe as often, or more
often, than other amenities



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“With PrintWithMe, residents don’t have to worry about print quality or running to the library or campus print centers. Even last minute, they have easy access to printing right on our property.”

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Asset Living Property Manager

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The Future of Shared Printing in Student Housing Communities

Academia has never truly gone paperless. Even the most digitally advanced campuses still require students to print syllabi, assignments, financial aid documents, internship applications, group projects, and resumes for career fairs.

At the same time, more and more students are choosing to live off campus in communities designed around their lifestyles. With that shift comes the expectation that communities will provide convenient and reliable access to the essential tools and services typically found on campus. Data only reinforces this, confirming that students overwhelmingly prefer to study in their apartment communities.

Printing, once treated as an afterthought, is quickly becoming a meaningful differentiator for student housing properties. Because it's an essential, high-frequency need, reliable and convenient printing can directly influence where students choose to live. Communities that provide an easy, secure way to print support students' daily routines, while those that don't create unnecessary inconvenience.

The future of shared printing in student housing will be shaped by on-demand, technology-enabled, fully managed solutions that deliver the instant gratification modern students expect while reducing operational strain for on-site teams, and enhancing the overall living experience.

**60%**

of students study in their apartments 3+ days per week.

**70%**

of student residents rely on in-unit or on-property spaces for studying.

**25%**

of student residents print weekly.





How PrintWithMe Supports Students and Staff in California

Industry Student Housing **Use Case** Amenity **Partner Since** 2022
Unique Users 720+ **Pages Printed** 50K+

PeakMade's Merced Station, located in Merced, California, is a dynamic, purpose-built student housing community designed to meet the fast-paced, tech-driven realities of modern college life.

For a community filled with students juggling deadlines, group projects, and demanding coursework, on-demand secure printing isn't just a convenience, it's an essential amenity that sets the tone for a smarter, more efficient living experience.

And that's exactly Property Manager Michael Ruybal installed PrintWithMe.

"PrintWithMe really changes the game because it puts the power in the resident's hands. The number of people we see that print and then just come in and grab and go...it really works to their advantage. You know, that college life."

Since implementing PrintWithMe in 2022, the on-site team has saved a significant amount of time while also elevating their resident experience.

The self-serve model allows residents to print what they need, when they need it, without assistance from staff.

Automated supply replenishments, outsourced support, and around-the-clock remote monitoring mean the team can focus on higher-priority tasks and the overall student experience.

It's even given them a strategic advantage over their competitors.

"Residents love the usage; they love the ease of it. We've even had parents ask about the printers. I think that mom and dad see the usage out of it, too. That's one less thing they have to worry about."



Looking Ahead

Across student housing communities, printing remains a relied-upon, essential service for moments that matter: term papers, group projects, financial aid forms, internship applications, career fair resumes.

The data featured in this report makes one thing clear. **Printing isn't a relic; it still plays an essential role in academic success.** And busy students with demanding schedules need access to it in a way that meets them where they are.

Looking ahead, the focus shifts toward smarter, more sustainable models of shared access. Managed print solutions are replacing fragmented setups, offering reliability, security, and support that match how students actually operate today.

For student housing communities, the opportunity lies in creating connected environments where printing functions as seamlessly as the Wi-Fi: always on, always ready, and never an afterthought.





About WithMe, Inc.

WithMe delivers technology-powered printing and coffee services that make everyday life easier. From resident amenities to workplace essentials, their turnkey model keeps operations seamless and costs predictable, while creating experiences people love.



PrintWithMe, available in thousands of apartment communities, coworking spaces, and shared environments nationwide, offers secure self-serve printing that works when and where people need it. Supplies, support, and maintenance are fully managed. This gives residents, guests, and teams effortless printing freedom, while operators benefit from predictable pricing, automated operations, and proactive support.



SipWithMe brings barista-quality beverages to shared spaces through sleek, modern machines. SipWithMe partners with craft roasters to deliver ground-to-order coffee that delights daily, while reducing operating costs by up to 60% compared to traditional solutions.



WithMe works with **84% of the NMHC Top 50 Managers** and has earned a spot on the **Inc. 5000 list** for five consecutive years. In 2025, WithMe was also ranked #10 on **Crain's Chicago Business Fast 50**, and PrintWithMe was named **Coworking Innovation of the Year** in the PropTech Breakthrough Awards.

Learn more at **withme.com**.