RentScout Help Page

**Login Page:**

**Create Account:**

* Enter an *@calvin.edu* email address in the ‘*Email*’ text box
* Enter a password of your choice in the ‘*Password’* text box
* Retype password in the ‘*Confirm*’ text box
* *Save password! There is no password resent option yet.*

**Log In:**

* Use a previously registered email address.
* Enter your password.
* Press ‘*Log In’*

**Properties List Page:**

The page is set up with two yellow buttons, filter and sort by, above the list of properties.

**Sort:**

* Tap the sort button (on the left) to access the ‘*Sort* By’ popup.
* Use the popup to organize the results according to your preferences:
  + By default, the properties are sorted by their average rating.
  + The options for sorting properties are each separate maroon buttons popup.
  + You can layer sorting parameters:
    - Ex: Sorting by *rating* first will organize the properties with the highest rating at the top and the lowest at the bottom. Sorting by *# Bedrooms* second will sort all the properties with the highest number of bedrooms at the top and the lowest at the bottom, and wherever the number is the same between properties, those will still be sorted by highest rating at the top and lowest rating at the bottom.
  + Phrases are defined here:
    - ***Distance to school***: sorts properties by how far, in miles, they are from Calvin University.
    - ***Distance to bus***: sorts properties by how far, in miles, they are from the nearest bus stop.
    - ***Cost ($/month)***: sorts properties by the average rent per month for each house, as given by the individual landlords.
    - ***Rating***: sorts properties by the average rating for each house, as given by student-collected reviews.
    - ***# Bedrooms***: sorts properties by the number of bedrooms in each house, as given by the landlords. (Note: A room must meet certain legal requirements in order to be defined as a ‘bedroom’. Each landlord is expected to provide documentation that ‘bedrooms’ in their property meet these standards. However, RentScout is not responsible for discrepancies and encourages students to prioritize seeing houses and rooms in person before signing any contracts or otherwise committing to lease a property.)
    - ***# Bathrooms***: sorts properties by the number of bathrooms in each house, as given by the landlords. (Note: A ‘0.5 bath’ is a bathroom with only two of the four main bathroom components, usually a toilet and a sink.)
    - ***(low to high)***: the lowest number in the selected category at the top of the list and the highest in that category at the bottom of the list.
    - ***(high to low)***: the highest number in the selected category at the top of the list and the lowest in that category at the bottom of the list.

**Filter:**

* Tap the filter button (on the right) to access the ‘*Filter By*:’ popup.
* Use the popup to only display results that match your filter parameters.
  + By default, all properties available are shown. (Nothing is filtered.)
  + The options for filtering properties are each listed with a checkbox to select or unselect.
  + You can filter by as many standards as there are listed.
  + Remove all filters by pressing ‘*Clear Filters’* on the bottom right side of the popup.
  + See results of filters by pressing ‘*Show [#] Results’* on the bottom left side of the popup.
  + Close the popup by pressing ‘*Close’*.
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