A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY AND YOUR LOCAL FIRE SERVICE

STUDENT AND PARENT QUESTIONS?

Has the buildings heating system been inspected recently (in the last year)?

Is the building address clearly posted to allow emergency services to find you quickly in the event of an emergency?

Does the sprinkler system or fire alarm system send a signal to the local fire department and/or campus security?

NEW JERSEY HAS THE HIGHEST CAMPUS DORMITORY FIRE SAFETY STANDARD IN THE COUNTRY.

ALL ON CAMPUS STUDENT RESIDENCES ARE MANDATED BY LAW TO HAVE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

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ON CAMPUS...

**COOKING YOUR MEALS**
- Cook only where it is permitted.
- Keep your cooking area clean and uncluttered.
- Never leave cooking unattended.
- If a fire starts in a microwave, keep the door closed and unplug the unit.

**CANDLES**
- Make sure candles are in sturdy holders.
- Put them out after each use.
- Never leave a burning candle unattended.
- Keep candles away from draperies, linens.
- Use flameless candles which are both safe and attractive.

**ALCOHOL**
- Alcohol is mitigating factor in a number of reported campus fires.

OFF CAMPUS...

**STUDENT AND PARENT QUESTIONS?**

- Are working smoke alarms installed? (Preferably in each bedroom, interconnected to sound all if any one detects smoke)
- Are there at least two ways to exit your bedroom and your building?
- Do the upper floors of the building have at least two interior stairs, or a fire escape? Is a sprinkler system installed and maintained?
- Are the existing electrical outlets adequate for all of the appliances, computers, printers and electronics that you are bringing – without the need for extension cords?
- Are there EXIT signs in the building hallways to indicate accessible escape routes?
- Does the building have a fire alarm system installed and maintained?

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*Provide students with a program for Fire Safety and Prevention?*

*Teach students how to properly notify the fire department using the 911 system?*

*Install smoke alarms and an automatic fire sprinkler system in every dormitory room and every level of housing facilities?*

*Maintain and regularly test smoke alarms and fire alarm systems. Replace smoke alarm batteries every semester?*

*Regularly inspect rooms and buildings for fire hazards?*

*Inspect exit doors and windows and make sure they are working properly?*

*Create and update detailed floor plans of buildings, and make them available to emergency personnel, resident advisors and Students?*

*Conduct fire drills and practice escape routes and evacuation plans. Urge students to take each alarm seriously?*