



# Fire Safety for Off Campus Students



## When you move in you should:

- ✓ Know fire evacuation routes
- ✓ Choose an evacuation point
- ✓ Find the location of nearest alarm pull and fire extinguisher
  
- ✓ Know how to contact the Fire Department

## When a Fire Alarm is Activated:

1. Walk - do not run to the nearest safe exit (remove high heels to avoid tripping). Alarm may not sound continuously. If alarm stops, continue to evacuate.
2. Use stairways for exit, do not use elevators. Do not push or crowd, use handrails in stairwells-stay to the right.
3. Give assistance to disabled persons.
4. Feel doors (top and bottom) for heat - use back of your hand. If hot, do not open. If not hot, open door slowly. Stand behind door and to one side; be prepared to close it quickly if fire is present.
5. Notify emergency personnel if you suspect someone may be trapped inside the building.
6. Proceed to assigned evacuation area

## If you discover a fire in your home:

1. Alert and evacuate people in the house.
  2. Close door after exiting.
  3. Notify Police Emergency **9-1-1**. Report your name, address, and location of fire.
- Do not hang up until the call is complete**

## If trapped in a room:

1. Place cloth material under door to prevent smoke from entering.
2. Retreat and close as many doors as possible between you and the fire.
3. Be prepared to signal from window but do not break glass unless absolutely necessary (outside smoke and flames may be drawn in).

## If caught in smoke:

1. Drop to hands and knees and crawl.
2. Hold breath as much as possible.
3. Breathe shallowly through nose and use blouse, shirt or jacket as filter.

## How do I contact the Fire Department?

 Dial **911**

 Tell the emergency operator your name address, and location of the fire. Do not hang up until emergency operator has all the information.

## Using a Fire Extinguisher

- Fire extinguishers work best on small fires (waster paper basket size)
- Ensure you have a clear escape route available to your rear

## Fire Extinguisher Instructions for Waste-Basket-Size Fires:



- P Pull** safety pin from handle
- A Aim** (nozzle, cone, horn) at base of fire.
- S Squeeze** the trigger handle.
- S Sweep** from side to side (watch for re-flash).

## Common Household Fire Hazards

- ⊗ Open flames / candles/ incense
- ⊗ Flammable materials near water heaters
- ⊗ Broken / frayed electrical cords
- ⊗ Furnace not serviced as recommended
- ⊗ Halogen Lights
- ⊗ Overloaded circuits / extension cords
- ⊗ Clothes left in the dryer
- ⊗ Grease fires

## If clothing catches fire:

**STOP...DROP...ROLL**

