

New Jersey Division  
Of Fire Safety



FIRE SAFETY FACTS

**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**

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



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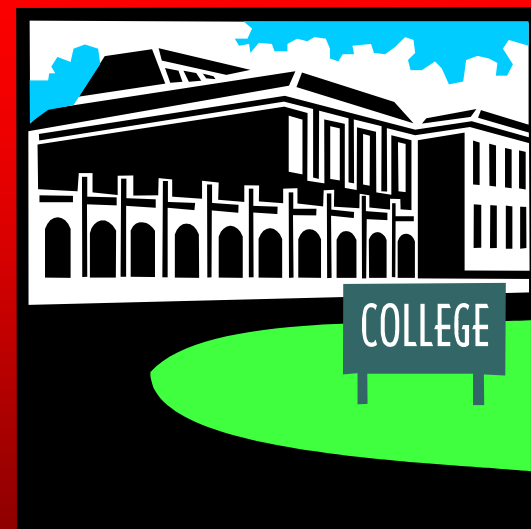
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***A PARENT AND STUDENT  
GUIDE TO CAMPUS SAFETY***



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## **Parents College Visit Campus Fire Safety Checklist**

**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?**



### **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?**

