

# Unity College Residence Hall Fire Safety Report

Fall 2016 – Spring 2017

To Whom It May Concern,

According to the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) a school that participates in a Title IV program and has on-campus housing facilities must annually publish a fire safety report that contains information with respect to campus fire safety practices and standards of the school.

**Number of Fires and the cause of each:**

0

**Number of fire related injuries and the result in treatment at a medical facility:**

0

**Number of fire related deaths:**

0

**Value of property damage caused by a fire:**

None, no damage.

**Fire Safety Program, Equipment and Procedures:**

**Sprinkler Systems:** Each residence hall is equipped with a sprinkler system that is activated by heat which then release water onto the fire. If the sprinkler systems should loose water pressure an alarm will sound. Every Sprinkler system is checked quarterly by a certified inspector and a report issued to Public Safety and the Maintenance Department who will address any concerns or issues reported by the inspector.

**Smoke Detectors:** All Residence Halls are equipped with smoke detectors that are inspected annually by a certified inspector who issues a report to Public Safety and Maintenance of any issues needing attention. The Public Safety Departments

replaces all smoke detector batteries before the beginning of the Fall Semester and continues to monitor them though out the year with the assistance of Dean of Students and their Staff.

Residence Halls; Eastview, Westview and Wood Hall have magnetic door closers that when activated will allow the hallway doors to close, but not lock. These are the only residence halls that have this type of safety device.

Residence Halls; Cianchette, Maplewood, Clifford Hall, Unity Two and Unity Three have hallways with two marked exits with emergency lighting. A 90 minute emergency lighting test is done annually before the beginning of the Fall Semester to ensure they are functioning properly. All of the residence halls have windows designed to allow easy egress in case of a fire. The only exception to this is Maplewood rooms 106,110 and 116.

There are four cottages on the Campus; Baxter, Carson Leopold and Muir they are all equipped with smoke detectors in each room and one in each common area to the Cottage.

Every Residence Hall have functioning fire extinguishers on each floor that the Residence Advisors are trained to properly operated in case of a fire. Public Safety also conducts Monthly Inspections on all the fire extinguishers on Campus and off. Fire extinguishers are annually inspected by a certified inspector and a report issued to Public Safety and the Maintenance Department.

Tampering with any safety equipment or repeated triggering fire alarms will not be tolerated because of the safety and wellbeing of the residents are our major concern.

**Fire Drill:** Residence Halls are all required to hold a fire drill with in the first two weeks of any semester. Public Safety conducts and monitors these fire drills to ensure everyone knows what is required of them.

**Reports:** The Director of Public Safety maintains a file with all safety inspections reports conducted during the reporting year.

**Items Prohibited from All Residence Halls:**

- Explosives or explosive materials, including any flammable liquid.
- Fireworks.

- Appliances with open elements, flame or electric.
- Grills, gas, charcoal or similar devices.
- Candles or incense; unless permission is granted by the Dean of Students for religious/spiritual reasons. A copy of any students approved to use candles or incense burning is sent to the Department of Public Safety.

Sincerely,

Steven R. Drake

Director of Public Safety