Campus Living Heating Update

Dear Campus Living Residents,

Facilities Services has informed us that they have tested all of the boilers and that heating will be turned on in the residence halls starting Thursday, 10/20 in the morning.

If you have any problems or concerns with heating in your space please submit a work order: <u>https://college.lclark.edu/student_life/campus_living/work_orders.php</u>

Best,

The Campus Living Team

We have included tips for preventing mold and mildew below:

Leave a window open, even slightly during the winter months, for at least 20 minutes a day.

When weather permits, open windows fully on opposite sides of the apartment, if applicable, to allow for a good exchange of air.

Leave a window open, even slightly, when boiling water or doing any cooking. If you live in an apartment, turn on the exhaust fan over the stove.

Curtains or blinds should be left open whenever possible to allow air circulation over the window. Sunlight inhibits the growth of moisture.

Leave interior doors (i.e., bathroom, room) open whenever possible for better air circulation.

Use a clothes dryer to dry your laundry. Hanging wet clothes in your room can significantly increase moisture levels in the room.

Allow space between furniture or personal items and walls. Furniture or personal items that are placed too close to walls limit the airflow and may encourage the growth of mildew.

For suites and apartments, use the bathroom exhaust fan when taking a shower or bath.

If the mold/ mildew is on a hard surface (walls, windows, floors, doors) then you can use soap and warm water to clean it off. There are also commercial products available specifically for mold. Just wipe the area down, throw out the sponge or rag you used for cleaning, and then (this is important) let the area dry. If necessary, put heater or fan nearby to make sure that the area dries out.

If the mold/ mildew is on something soft, like fabric or upholstery, you can wash the item in hot water and dry it thoroughly. If that's not possible, you can try wiping the item off and then drying the item out (for instance, use a hair dryer on furniture). That can be enough, if the mold/ mildew hasn't penetrated too deeply. However, in many cases, you may have to throw the item away.