Messiah College
Fire Alarm Response Instructions -Students

Excerpt taken from the Messiah College Student Handbook – Residence Life Policies

PERSONALIZING ROOMS

Messiah College extends the privilege of personalizing individual rooms which enhance an enjoyable living environment consistent with the philosophy of the College community.

1. Occupants are expected to keep their rooms clean.

2. Items not in keeping with the character of the College are not to be displayed in student rooms or on College property. This includes wall coverings involving nudity or morally objectionable or socially offensive material, stolen property, containers for alcoholic beverages, and other alcohol- or drug-related paraphernalia (signs, posters).

3. Nails, screws, tape, or other adhesives which cause damage or leave sticky residue on the surface may not be used.

4. All personal furnishings brought into a room must comply with fire safety codes.

5. Residents are expected to accept the responsibility for the maintenance of their rooms and for damages and replacement of missing items. Mounting items on walls should be done with care.

6. Student rooms, lounges, and hallways are painted and updated according to the maintenance schedule. Special requests for painting or alterations can be directed to Facility Services. Students are not allowed to paint the student rooms. Any improvement made to College-owned housing becomes the property of the College.

7. Students are not to tamper with electrical wiring, switches, outlets, or fixtures, or to cover their room numbers.

8. Removal of College provided furniture from students’ rooms is prohibited. Students will be charged for missing or damaged furniture.

9. Tampering with College property is prohibited. Screens are to remain in place and fire equipment is to be used only for intended purposes. Removing furniture from public areas is prohibited. In residence halls with false ceilings, tiles are not to be removed for any reason, including the storage of belongings.

10. Waterbeds and excessively heavy items are not permitted in student rooms unless they are needed for documented medical reasons.

11. The construction of “loft” beds by residents is prohibited.