



Let's All Have a Safe and Happy Winter Break!

Please help everyone in eliminating health and safety dangers during the semester break:

- * Remove all flammable holiday decorations, especially holiday lights and artificial trees. Remember, no live trees or wreaths are allowed in any university housing facilities.
- * Turn off all electrical devices and unplug unnecessary appliances to avoid the possibility of electrical fires. If you would like to leave your computer plugged in, please use a surge protector.
- * Remove perishable food from your room and your refrigerator. If an extended power outage should occur, this will prevent the unfortunate experience of returning to a tightly shut room containing spoiled food.
- * Suspend delivery of any services that are delivered directly to your door (newspapers, bottled water, etc.)
- * Please DO NOT leave your bicycle parked outside during the break.
- * If possible, take your valuable items with you when you leave. Jewelry, laptops and other small items are popular targets for burglars. This is also a good opportunity to take home any items not allowed in USC Housing.
- * Close and lock your windows. Don't forget the common areas! Close all curtains, drapes, or blinds. Turn off all lights. Lock and deadbolt your door behind you.

Residence halls and suites (*only*) will **close to all residents at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, December 18, 2013** and will **reopen at 8:30am on Thursday, January 9, 2014**. You may not access or stay in your residence hall or suite room during the winter break period. There will also be no early arrivals allowed.

Apartment buildings will remain open during the winter break, however the Customer Service Centers (CSC)s will have an altered "Holiday" schedule. Please direct all questions regarding the winter break to your CSC.

USC Housing Wishes You a Wonderful Holiday Season!