This is a resident's room in Mathes Hall after the November 1997 fire. NO ONE was injured. EVERYONE got out immediately.

**FIRE EXTINGUISHER USE**

**ONLY USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IF:**
- The fire is small (no larger than a small trash can)
- You are between the fire and an exit (keep the exit to your back)
- You feel it is safe

**USE PASS ACRONYM**

- Pull the pin
- Aim at the base of the fire
- Squeeze the handle
- Sweep side to side

**HOME INSPECTION CHECKLIST**

- Check electrical appliances and wiring for frayed wires.
- Replace worn or damaged cords.
- Keep electrical appliances away from wet floors or counters.
- NEVER overload extension cords or wall sockets.
- Shut off and professionally replace light switches that are hot to the touch or lights that flicker.
- Have a smoke detector IN your bedroom and OUTside your bedroom.
- Make sure the smoke detector has batteries and works.
- Know 2 exits from each room.
- Dispose of butts in non-combustible containers away from paper and flammable.
- Always extinguish candles when you leave a room. Never use them in bed-

Questions? On campus residents Call EHS @ 3064 Off-campus: contact Bellingham Fire Department at 778-8400

**Fire Safety**

**Western Washington University**

LEARN WHAT TO DO. SAVE YOUR OWN LIFE!
**FIRE**

- Encourage all persons to immediately exit
- Use a fire extinguisher, if trained
- Close doors and windows on your way
- Pull the nearest fire alarm on your way out
- Call the fire department (on campus 650-3911 or off campus 911)
- Assemble in a safe place away from the building
- Meet and tell first responders about fire location and people still in the building

**CLOTHING FIRE**

**STOP, DROP AND ROLL**

**EVACUATION**

**KNOW TWO WAYS OUT**

**FEEL DOOR HANDLE**

- If hot, don’t go out
- Go to a window, call 911 for help, hang a sheet out of the window
- If not hot, open door cautiously
- Exit, staying below smoke
- Close your door
- If too much smoke, go back to room, go to window, call 911
- If exit blocked, use alternative exit

**GET OUT OF THE BUILDING BEFORE PHONING FOR HELP**

**PULL ALARM ON THE WAY OUT**

**PREVENTION**

- Never overload electrical outlets
- Use power strips plugged directly into outlets
- No open flames in residence halls
- No cords under doors or out windows
- Keep flammables away from heat sources, such as space heaters

**PROTECTION**

**FIRE SYSTEMS**

- Smoke alarms in residence hall rooms are connected to the electrical system and do not need batteries
- Flashing strobes and enunciation found in hallways are activated by pull stations
- Most residence halls are equipped with sprinklers (by summer 2015 all will be)

**PLAN ESCAPE ROUTES**

- Know where all exits are located in your building, including windows that can be opened
- Know 2 exits from where you sleep

**TAKE FIRE ALARMS SERIOUSLY**

- NEVER ignore fire alarms
- NEVER wait to see fire or smell smoke
- NEVER worry about grabbing your stuff

**DON’T WEDGE FIRE DOORS OPEN**

**KEEP EXITS CLEAR**

**FEEDBACK**

- If you need further assistance, please call 911 or your local emergency services.

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**Fire/Medical/Police 911**
**University Police 650-3911**
**Chemical Emergency 650-3064**