

Dorm 101

Make Room For Safety



The car is loaded up and check-in is about to start on college campuses across the country. While you want to have all the comforts of home at school, there are some **electrical safety tips** to keep in mind as you set up your new space.

- 1** Do not overload outlets, extension cords, or power strips.
- 2** Use power strips with overcurrent protectors. This will shut off the power if there is too much power being drawn.
- 3** Only purchase and use electrical products tested for safety. Some commonly approved safety labels include UL, CSA, and MET.
- 4** Unplug small appliances when not in use and all electronics when away for extended periods.
- 5** Keep all electrical appliances and cords safely away from bedding, curtains, papers, and other flammable material.

Information Source: [SafeElectricity.org](https://www.safepower.org/)

Check with your school's housing department before planning to bring hot plates, coffee makers, toasters, microwaves, & portable heaters.