Kerry Rose Fire Sprinkler Notification Act Policy

Five Towns College is committed to having a safe and healthy campus for all students, residents, faculty and staff personnel. In accordance with new legislation known as the Kerry Rose Fire Sprinkler Notification Act, signed into law by Governor Cuomo in July of 2013, the College is required to identify what and where fire safety equipment is installed and maintained by the Five Towns College.

All Five Towns College Residential Dorm Buildings have Fire Sprinkler Systems installed when the buildings were built in 2000-02 period. Every Sprinkler System is inspected every 3 months as per NFPA 25-5.21 by Apollo Fire Sprinkler Company Inc. in Nesconset, NY. Once a week Five Towns College Public Safety Department checks the Fire Sprinkler control rooms for any violations. All college owned buildings have fire alarm systems installed with the most advanced fire alarm panels in each Dorm building manufactured by Notifier Corp. Headquarters in Northfork, Connecticut. All fire alarm panels as well as smoke detectors, duct detectors and pull stations are tested and inspected twice a year by AFA Fire Protection Service Inc. This company has been in existence for over 70 years and its corporate office is located in Syosset, NY. All fire alarm panels on campus are repaired by a separate company named Electronix Systems, located in Huntington Station, NY. This company is also our central station monitoring and dispatches the Dix Hills/Melville Fire Departments whenever a fire alarm goes into alarm. They also monitor all trouble signals from all fire alarm panels and notify the college for corrective actions. The college has portable fire extinguishers in all hallways, lobbies and common areas of all four dormitory buildings as well as in all hallways and classrooms of the main building. They are inspected once a month by our Public Safety Department and once a year by South Shore Fire and Safety located in East Meadow, NY. All fire extinguishers in the Dormitories are located in tamper proof cabinets.

All Fire Hydrants on campus are tested and inspected twice a year as per NFP-25 by Hycert Services Inc., located in Miller Place, NY. All dorm buildings have carbon monoxide detectors located in all hallways by the dorm rooms. All carbon monoxide detectors are replaced every five years. Batteries are replaced as soon as detectors beep indicating low battery.

Training for how to properly use an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), perform emergency First Aid and Fire Extinguisher usage is held in January for all Residential Life Staff and one additional Fire Safety Training is held in August prior to the first semester. Fire Extinguisher and Fire Safety Training is conducted by the New York Office of Fire Prevention and Control. All personnel in the Public Safety, Food Service and Maintenance departments participate in AED, First Aid, and Fire Safety/Extinguisher Training in January. All residential dormitory buildings have emergency evacuation plans posted in every hallway, lobby and all common areas showing the route they should take to evacuate the dorm
buildings. The emergency lighting in all residential buildings are checked weekly by the maintenance department and the residential life department with work request issued for immediate repairs when needed. Once a year all emergency exit signs and emergency lighting fixtures, as per NFPA -101 life safety code, are tested and inspected by PSR Electric Corp. and a report is submitted to the facilities department for immediate repairs when necessary. The residential life department performs a monthly room check to make sure all dorm students are not violating any fire safety codes.

Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) are in the following locations on the Dix Hills campus:

- Residential Life Office in the lower level of Sympathy Hall residential building
- Inside the Public Safety guard shack located in front of the residential life complex
- Public Safety office located in the main academic building, room302
- Next to the radio station located in the main academic building, room 621A
- In the main College Library, room 109