Residence Hall
Fire Safety at YHC

At YHC, creating safer environments in our residence halls is paramount. Each residence hall is equipped with a central fire alarm system, smoke detectors, lighted exit signs, emergency lights and fire extinguishers. Residence life staff members also conduct regular fire drills twice per semester.

Each living space is equipped with a sprinkler system. The small glass cylinder contains an oil that heats up if a fire breaks out. The glass breaks and several hundred gallons of water per minute will flow from the sprinkler head to extinguish the fire. The glass cylinders are fragile. For this reason, students must not hang items from the sprinkler head (i.e. clothes, decorations) or play sports inside. Accidental breakage can cause significant water damage to residents’ belongings.

As a resident, you have a responsibility to the community to participate in the establishment of a safer environment. You should be familiar with the campus policies listed in the Guide to Student Life. Please note that tampering with fire safety equipment (smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, elevator bells, sprinkler heads, exit signs, etc.) may result in disciplinary action.

Detailed information can be found in the annual Security and Fire Safety Report (Clery Act compliance) at www.yhc.edu/clery.