

While we realize that students desire to arrange and decorate their rooms in order to make themselves comfortable, we also recognize the need to set limits for reasons of health, safety, and the conservation of the limited resources here on campus. We, therefore, ask that you adhere to these guidelines as you arrange and decorate your rooms. Your rooms will be checked for compliance during room inspection. Students who violate these guidelines and damage their rooms and/or furniture will be assessed a fee and will be required to correct the problem if possible. If you need clarification or have questions about any of this, please see your CC prior to making a change.

1. Doorways must remain clear of obstruction. An unobstructed path must exist from the bed(s) to the door. The door must open freely to an angle of 90 degrees without hitting furniture. Carpeting must be placed or cut to allow for this.
2. To avoid negatively affecting the airflow and temperature in rooms, furniture may not be placed closer than 2 feet in front of the air vents or block the thermostats. Duct tape, cardboard or other materials may not be used to block the air vents. Please note that thermostat adjustments must be made by Plant Facilities. Please do not remove the covers. Let your CC know if the temperature in your room needs adjusting.
3. Containers for alcoholic or de-alcoholized beverages are not permitted in rooms. Used soft drink cans may not be used for decoration and should be recycled.
4. Posters and other wall decorations must be mounted with blue painter's tape or 3M Command Strips. The following are not permitted: masking tape, transparent tape, duct tape, electrical tape, packing tape, double-sided tape (foam or transparent), poster putty, pins, thumbtacks, brads and nails. Students may not use blue painter's (or any other) tape to create designs on doors, walls or floors.
5. Because everyone's taste is different with regard to the display of the human body, posters which display nudity are not permitted.
6. Furniture should be arranged and used in the manner intended by the manufacturer. It may not be disassembled or stacked unless it is specifically designed for that purpose (i.e., wardrobes may not be stacked on dressers and must remain upright on the floor).
7. The walls of the hallway leading to the students' rooms may only be decorated in a manner specifically approved by the CC for that hall. Since the outside of room doors face a common area of the hall, the NCSSM staff may require students to remove items from doors which are offensive, disrespectful to members of the larger community, or are otherwise inappropriate for public view.
8. Furniture from the common areas of the hall (such as lounge furniture) may not be taken into students' rooms.
9. Lofts are not permitted and all furniture for a given room is to remain in that room throughout the year. Six inch stilts/bed risers also are not permitted.
10. Street and traffic signs are the property of state and local governments and are not permitted as room decoration. Signs which are found in rooms will be confiscated and given to the Campus Safety & Security Department for disposition.
11. Windows may not be decorated and may not be used to hang posters, flags or messages.