

# College Village Fire Safety Report 2023

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## College Village Information

College Village is a foundation owned student housing facility, located east of the SUNY GCC Batavia Campus at 8170 Batavia Stafford Townline Road, Batavia, NY 14020. The SUNY GCC Fire Safety Report is prepared by GCC Campus Safety.

College Village has eleven student housing buildings: Oak (A), Beech (B), Cedar (C), Pine (D), Birch (E), Maple (F), Spruce (G), Hickory (H), Willow (I), Lilac (J), and Hemlock (K).

Approximately 300 students resided the 10 of the residence apartment halls in College Village in 2022. Spruce (G) did not house students in 2022.

## Related Websites

College Village <http://www.genesee.edu/campuslife/housing/>

## Reporting An Emergency

### Emergency:

- Local Emergency Responders: 9-1-1
- Genesee Community College Campus Safety 585-345-6500

### Non-emergency:

Listed below are the non-emergency numbers to call to report fires that have already been extinguished in on-campus student housing. These are fires for which you are unsure whether the College Safety Office may already be aware. If you find evidence of such a fire or if you hear about such a fire, please contact the following:

- SUNY GCC Campus Safety: (585) 345-6500

When calling, provide as much information as possible about the location, date, time and cause of the fire.

## Fire Statistics

SUNY GCC's fire log is maintained by Genesee Community College and is available by contacting GCC Campus Safety. Please note that cases of arson would also be reported in the crime section of this document.

In 2011, The U.S. Department of Education published The Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting. In the handbook, the U.S. Department of Education definition of "control" was clarified to include foundation owned property. As such, SUNY GCC began collecting statistics for College Village, a GCC foundation owned student housing facility in 2011. Fire statistics for the 2022 calendar year is included in this report.

### 2022 Calendar Year

Residential Facilities	Total Fires in Each Building 2022	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries That Required Treatment at a Medical Facility	Number of Deaths Related to a Fire	Value of Property Damage Caused
Oak Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Beech Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Cedar Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Pine Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Lilac Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Hemlock Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Birch Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Maple Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Spruce Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0
Hickory Hall	1	1	cooking	0	0	0
Willow Hall	0	0	--	0	0	0

## Fire Safety Systems – Student Housing Facilities

Building	Fire Alarm Monitoring Off Site (by third party)	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Heat Detection	Fire Extinguisher Devices	Pull Stations	Number of Evacuation (fire) drills each calendar year
Oak Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Beech Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Cedar Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Pine Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Lilac Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Hemlock Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Birch Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Maple Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Spruce Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Hickory Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4
Willow Hall	X	X	X	X	X	X	4

X= Present

## Safety Inspections & Prohibited Items and Activities

The Safety and Maintenance Offices perform Residence Hall Health and Safety (H&S) Inspections periodically throughout the fall and spring semesters. All other inspections are unannounced. Also during incidents and by maintenance requests, Health and Safety inspections can be commissioned based on the condition of the room. The H&S inspections are primarily designed to find and eliminate safety violations. Students are required to read and comply with the College Village License Agreement which includes the H&S inspections and all other rules and regulations for residential buildings. The inspections include, but are not limited to, a visual examination of electrical cords, sprinkler heads, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and other life safety systems. In addition, each room is examined for the presence of prohibited items (e.g., sources of open flames, such as candles; non-surge protected extension cords; halogen lamps; portable cooking appliances in non-kitchen areas; etc.) or prohibited activity (e.g., smoking in the room; tampering with life safety equipment; possession of pets; etc.). This inspection will also include a general assessment of food and waste storage and cleanliness of the room. Prohibited items are immediately confiscated.

During the course of the calendar year, staff has many inspections. These inspections generate conversation about updates to building fire safety codes and recommendations. With their recommendations, College Village updates its buildings in compliance with the code.

## Safety & Education

Fire safety education programs for all students living in on-campus student housing and all employees that have any association with on-campus student housing are held at the beginning of each semester. These programs are designed to familiarize everyone with the fire safety system in each housing facility and train everyone on the

procedures to be followed in the event of a fire. Information is distributed pertaining to College Village's fire safety policies. During these presentations, the presenters emphasize that participation in fire drills by residents is mandatory.

Fire safety education and training programs are conducted by local fire authorities as well as the Chief of Safety who is experienced in College Village fire safety matters. Additionally, residence assistants receive additional hands-on training in fire prevention and education techniques.

## **Emergency Evacuation**

College Village has contracted Sonitrol Alarms to service, and monitor fire alarms. When an alarm sounds in a College Village residence hall or administrative building, there is a wireless transmission sent to Sonitrol Alarm notifying them of the alarm and location. Sonitrol calls Genesee Community College Safety. Safety will then assess the cause of the alarm and notify Genesee County Emergency Services directly and appropriately. In the event of an alarm sounding, College Village expects that all occupants of the building will evacuate by the nearest or safest exit. Once safely outside a building, it is appropriate to contact Campus Safety. Should the wireless transmission fail and this be unknown to Safety, Safety will then call 911. Students and staff are informed where to relocate by staff if circumstance warrants at the time of the alarm.

College Village policy is that all occupants must evacuate from the building, as quickly as possible. No substantial training is provided to students or employees in firefighting or suppression activity. After an investigation by the Town of Batavia Fire Department residents may reenter the building upon the approval of the fire department.