

**WI-FI.** All residence halls/apartments have Wi-Fi service provided by the university. Personal router devices are not allowed. Routers offer an array of services such as their own Wi-Fi access that can interfere with the service provided by SHSU. This causes disruption in Wi-Fi service to those within the range of the personal router. Some routing devices also try and assume control over the whole network as a primary access point. This can cause damage to the infrastructure in the building, and potentially disrupt service to the entire residence hall. There is a \$100.00 fine associated with having a personal router that has been identified on the network. A charge of \$300.00 will be assessed if any damage is incurred on university networking equipment in the room/apartment due to the use of a personal router.

**WINDOWS.** Windows must remain closed in buildings with central air conditioning. Rooms with window units may open their windows if the a/c unit is turned off. No articles may be thrown or hung from windows. Residents may not sit on windowsills or use windows as entrances/exits. Curtains, shades, etc. may only be hung from tension rods. No alteration to the walls or windows is allowed (drilling holes). Students who place items in windows that the University determines to be obscene will be asked to remove the items immediately and may be subject to disciplinary action. The University reserves the right to enter a student's room/apartment to remove items that are found obscene if the student is not present during the discovery. Obscenity is considered patently offensive description of sexual activity that lacks educational value. Foil or newspaper is not permitted in room/apartment windows unless a white backing is present and viewed from the outside of the building. Residents are responsible for any damage caused by the posting of items in windows (tape deposits, window markers etc.).

*Rationale: Screens are not intended for frequent opening and closing. Removal results in damage to screens and sometimes to the fixture into which it fits. The possibility is great that items thrown out of windows will cause personal injury or property damage.*

### **PHILOSOPHY CONCERNING DIVERSITY:**

The students who live in our residence halls/apartments and all those who attend Sam Houston State University come from diverse backgrounds and social groups. Therefore, we encourage acceptance and appreciation of individuals regardless of race, sex, color, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or veteran status.

All residents should feel that they are a welcomed and accepted part of their living environment. They should feel free to live in this environment without harassment and intimidation. All of our residents have something to contribute to their living environment and should be treated with dignity and respect. In a community that values diversity, acts of bigotry cannot and will not be tolerated.

The Department of Residence Life is committed to the idea that all residents will be afforded the same respect regardless of race, sex, color, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or veteran status by all members of this department and all residents of University housing. The Department of Residence Life believes all students should feel free to live without harassment. Any student found harassing others will be in violation of department policy