

Frequently Asked Questions related to Emory University's Holiday Heating Turndown-2016

1. What are the exact times and dates of the turndown?

The buildings heating systems will be turned down late in the evening on Thursday, December 22 until they are turned back up in time to resume comfortable working temperatures on the morning of Tuesday, December 27. The turndown procedure will be repeated starting in the late evening on December 29 and ending in time to resume comfortable working temperatures on Tuesday morning, January 3. The buildings are returned to normal operation in time to allow Campus Services' staff to address any problems before the start of business.

2. Do I have to do anything in particular (such as turn down the thermostat) if my building is participating?

You do not have to do anything as your building will be remotely controlled and monitored.

3. Why are only certain buildings on the list to participate? If my building is not on the list, why not?

Only buildings with HVAC control systems that can be remotely monitored and controlled are eligible for the program.

4. Should I change the thermostat in my building if my building is not participating?

You can turn your thermostat down to 68°F or its lowest setting to help reduce energy consumption during the holiday period.

5. Will the building's systems adjust the heating if the building gets too cold?

The building temperatures are monitored, and the system will return to operation if a temperature below 55F is detected.

6. What are the potential savings from the turndown?

Over the past several years, we generally save approximately \$40,000 from the turndown.

7. Who do I contact if there is a problem?

Contact the Campus Services Work Management Center at 404-727-7463.

8. Can the buildings be zoned off so that only portions are turned down?

Parts of some buildings may be turned down depending on whether areas are served by a single air handler.

9. Does a thermostat in my room control other rooms too?

Each thermostat controls a zone, and some zones include more than one office.

10. Can the buildings be turned down for a longer period than the two holiday periods if they will be unoccupied for that longer period?

Yes. Please contact the Office of Sustainability Initiatives at

<http://sustainability.emory.edu/page/1031/Contact-Us> to have a longer turndown period.

Selected residence halls will be turned down for the student holiday break period.