Palmer & Pittinger Dorm

Heating System Description
and How it works.

Room Heating Tips.

Be certain that windows are shut tightly.
Don’t forget the upper section of the window.
Windows that are not completely closed allow cold air into the room.
If your windows won’t shut properly call Facilities Management at x8280 to report the problem.

Closing you window shades or draperies can help keep the cold out.

Don’t place heat producing lamps or other appliances near the thermostat as this can fool the thermostat into reducing the heat supplied to the room.

Be certain that nothing blocks the air into or out of the vents on the heating unit as this prevents the unit from heating the rooms air.

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For Maintenance requests
Email workbox@swarthmore.edu or
Phone X 8280

The heat for Palmer & Pittinger dorms is supplied by boilers in the basement of the building.
The boilers burn natural gas.

The boilers heat water which is circulated through each room’s heating unit.

Each room has its own thermostat to control the space temperature. The occupants can adjust the temperature up or down to suite their needs.

Some rooms heating units have a fan to force air through the heater. This fan will turn on and off automatically. The heating units have a fan speed knob under the lift up door on the top of the unit. This knob should be kept in either the low or medium speed position for the unit to work.

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College policy for heating in occupied times 68-72°. Thermostats are limited by the automation system to a maximum heating temperature of 72° and not lower than 64°.

Last year Palmer & Pittinger dorms used 952,800 cubic feet of natural gas for heating the building.

More College energy information can be found at:
http://www.swarthmore.edu/x29161.xml
Palmer & Pittinger dorm room heating system.

Warm air out

Room air in to be heated. (Don’t block this area!)

Present room temperature

Slide bar to adjust temperature