

## FIRE & LIFE SAFETY: SELF-INSPECTION

 POWER STRIPS are commonly used in office spaces. The most common deficiency found during the Annual Fire & Life Safety Inspection of office spaces is the improper use of power strips. EXTENSION CORDS should <u>NOT</u> be used.



Please refer to the checklist below regarding power strips and extension cords:

- ✓ **DON'T.** Plug a power strip into another power strip (commonly referred to as 'daisy chaining'). Connecting power strips in series will drastically increase the risk of an electrical overload and fire.
- ✓ **DON'T**. Use power strips in moist or potentially moist areas.
- ✓ **DON'T**. Cover, staple, tack or nail a power strip to anything. This can damage electrical cords or make room for potentially dangerous situations.
- ✓ **DON'T**. Continue to use a power strip if it feels hot. Also, do not use if it has any visible damage.
- ✓ **DON'T**. Use extension cords.
- **ELECTRICAL SPACE HEATERS** are **NOT** allowed to be used on Spelman Campus.

