

# Fire Prevention

Murphy Fire Department strives to be proactive in fire prevention & safety education. An effective fire prevention program is proven to reduce the number of incidents we are required to mitigate. We have a public education safety house to assist with our educational efforts with children ages 9+ through senior adults. This resource is mobile and available by request.



This resource has 3 primary rooms: a kitchen, living room and bedroom. Several prevention props are available within this mobile safety house including but not limited to:

- Cooking safety
- Fire extinguisher selection & location
- Kitchen appliance safety
- Audio / visual smoke alarms & testing
- carbon monoxide alarms
- Fireplace safety
- Candle safety
- Window blind safety
- Christmas tree & wrapping paper safety
- Sleeping safety including simulated smoke, heated door and exit options

Exterior emphasizes

- Testing smoke alarms
- A family meeting place
- Calling 911
- 2 ways out of each room
- Bicycle safety

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## Fire Prevention Tips

**Did you know that heating equipment is a leading cause of home fires during the winter months?**

Heating fire safety tips:

1. Have heating sources serviced each year.
2. Keep space heaters at least 3 feet from flammable objects.
3. Make sure gas heaters are well ventilated.
4. Never leave space heaters unattended.
5. Test your smoke detectors

## **Cooking is the second leading cause of home fires.**

Cooking fire safety tips:

1. Never leave cooking unattended
2. Turn pot handles inward to prevent spills  
Wear short sleeves when cooking  
Keep a pan lid handy in case of a fire.
3. Have a Class K (Oil/Grease compatible) fire extinguisher in your kitchen.
4. Test your smoke detectors.

## **The holiday season can be one of the deadliest seasons of the year.**

Holiday Season fire safety tips:

1. Use decorations that are labeled flame resistant.
2. Use extreme caution if using candles.
3. Do not overload extension cords
4. Keep packages away from heating sources.





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