I can’t get an AC unit??? It’s sooo hot!

I’ll get an Evaporative Cooler!

The Residential Education and Housing Services Office has authorized the following portable “EVAPORATIVE COOLERS” for student use for those of you who reside in the College’s non-air conditioned halls. **Approved evaporative coolers must have a self-contained water source and require no more than 120 volts of electricity at 300 watts.**

These portable coolers use about the same energy as a domestic light bulb and can cool a room by up to 10 degrees. Evaporative coolers can be purchased at Home Depot, Lowe’s and other like stores. REHS also strongly suggests you talk with your roommate(s) to see who would like to purchase a cooler or split the cost! One cooler per room will be sufficient.

Please understand that an “EVAPORATIVE COOLER” is NOT an air conditioner unit. Air conditioning units typically require an exhaust hose be placed in a window; they draw more energy and will over load the circuit boards and cause the power to shut off in the residence hall. For this reason A/C units (portable or window) are **not allowed** in the residence halls. If you purchase an AC unit, you will be asked to remove it from your room and may be referred to our Office of Student Conduct.

If you have further questions about “evaporative coolers” please contact the Residential Education and Housing Services Office at 323.259.2531.

**EVAPORATIVE COOLER**  
Approved  

**PORTABLE AIR CONDITIONER**  
Not Approved