

SPRING CLEANING

Suggested Routine Maintenance And
Preparedness Strategies For Your Campus

Recovering from Winter 2026!



Structural Hazards

Roof & Gutter

Foundation and Exterior Walls

Driveways, Walkways & Pavements

Roof & Gutters

<u>Why?</u>	<u>What to Do:</u>	<u>Risk Prevention:</u>
<p>Snow, ice, and freezing temperatures can damage roofing materials and block drainage.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspect shingles for cracks, curling, or missing pieces• Check for leaks in attic or ceilings• Clean gutters and downspouts• Remove debris buildup• Ensure water flows away from foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Prevents leaks✓ Avoids mold growth✓ Reduces structural damage

Foundation & Exterior Walls

<u>Winter Risks:</u>	<u>Spring Actions:</u>	<u>Risk Prevention:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Freeze-thaw cycles cause cracks• Water intrusion• Concrete expansion damage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspect foundation for cracks• Seal small cracks• Check siding and brickwork• Repaint or reseal damaged areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Prevents water damage✓ Maintains structural integrity

Driveways, Walkways & Pavements

<u>Winter Damage:</u>	<u>Spring Steps:</u>	<u>Safety Benefit:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potholes• Surface cracks• Uneven surfaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fill cracks• Repair potholes• Power wash surfaces• Check drainage slope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Prevents trips and falls✓ Extends pavement lifespan

Landscaping & Trees

Winter Impact:

- Broken branches
- Dead plants
- Soil erosion

Spring Tasks:

- Trim damaged branches
- Remove dead plants
- Aerate soil
- Check irrigation systems

Risk Prevention:

- ✓ Prevents falling branches
- ✓ Reduces pest infestations
- ✓ Improves plant health

Mechanical Systems

Cold weather strains most mechanical systems

Spring Checklist:	Benefit:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Replace air filters• Schedule HVAC inspection• Clean vents and ducts• Test air conditioning• Service all pumps/sumps per manual.• Service all ventilating equipment, filters.• Clear clean round all heating equipment/Boilers and heat producing equipment, radiators, and electrical panels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Improves efficiency✓ Reduces fire risks✓ Saves energy costs

Plumbing Systems

<u>Winter Risks:</u>	<u>Spring Actions:</u>	<u>Safety Benefit:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Frozen pipes• Leaks from expansion• Outdoor faucet damage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inspect pipes for leaks• Test outdoor spigots• Check water pressure• Clear sump pump discharge lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Prevents flooding✓ Avoids water damage

Safety Systems Check

Winter increases fire and carbon monoxide risks

Inspect:

- Smoke detectors- Most smoke detectors are hard-wired, but if your location has any battery-operated units, please replace batteries.
- Schedule test on building fire sprinkler system with a licensed and certified company. This also includes commercial kitchen range hoods fire suppression systems.
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Fire extinguishers- check fire extinguisher hang-tags expiration dates
- Emergency exits
 - ✓ Replace batteries
 - ✓ Test alarms

Questions???



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