

BEDBUG ALERT

Bedbugs are becoming an endemic around larger cities in the State of Ohio. These pests hitch rides on clothes, book bags and in purses, and are happy to set camp up anywhere they can suck blood. One way or another, everyone can be affected by these pests, rich or poor, clean or dirty.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, the good news is that bedbugs do not impose any threat to our health because they don't carry disease. However, allergic reactions to their bites are common, which can be mild to severe, and can lead to secondary infections as well as causing some mental health problems.

Should you suspect an infestation of bedbugs, please call Health Services to report any suspected case to us. If possible, it would be helpful to obtain a "bedbug" so that we are able to send it off and have it identified. Should an infestation occur on campus in the dorms, bedbugs can be rid of by extermination with an alcohol-based treatment that poses no threat to residents living within the dorms.

Should you have any questions, please call Health Services at 245-7389.

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