

## **The Ministry of Education urges students that has off-campus accommodation to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning**

As it is already winter season, and the temperature has changed greatly. The Ministry of Education give great attention to the safety of students with off-campus accommodation, especially calling out to students who rent out of school to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Schools at all levels are required to strengthen education and publicity on prevention of carbon monoxide poisoning through various assemblies, seminars for renters as well as carrying out caring visits for renters. Students are also reminded to pay attention when using electrical appliances, gas water heaters and stoves, and to ventilate the environment to ensure the safety of accommodation.

The Ministry of Education cooperates with the Ministry of Home Affairs and request every schools to educate their students to strictly abide by the "five essentials" principles, which are: keep the environment ventilated, use safe brands, and choose the right model, pay attention to safety installation and pay attention to the usual maintenance when using gas water heaters. If you feel dizzy, nauseous, drowsiness or other physical discomfort, you should immediately ventilate the room. If you feel severely unwell, do move to a well-ventilated outdoor environment, and then call 119 or contact your relatives and friends (school security hotline) for help.

In order for students to understand disaster prevention instructions and self-inspection methods, please refer to the website of the National Fire Agency, Ministry of the Interior (<https://www.nfa.gov.tw/cht/index.php?code=list&ids=593>)

On the other hand, the Ministry of Education appeals to parents to care for the student together, and remind them to check whether electrical appliances and gas are turned off before going out or going to bed, so as to ensure the safety of students.

Link to TCUST Rental Housing Platform

<https://house.nfu.edu.tw/TCUST>

Link to TCUST Student Safety platform for Office of Student Affairs

<https://dad.tcust.edu.tw/p/412-1003-997.php?Lang=zh-tw>

Link to TCUST School Safety Center

<https://dad.tcust.edu.tw/p/412-1003-408.php?Lang=zh-tw>