

# ***PCS Homes***

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### **Check Your Heating System**

As the summer draws to a close, we can expect the cold weather to once again set in. In order to prevent the chance that your heating system does not operate properly when that first cold snap comes our way, we would like for you to test the system.

When the fall weather first appears open your windows, turn the system switch to heat, and raise the temperature setting. This will allow you to verify the heater is working and to “burn off” the dust on the heat exchanger (there may be a little smoke.) If the heater does not cycle on, check to see that the valve on the gas line is open and the internal gas valve in the furnace is turned to “on.” Do not store any items within three feet of your furnace. This will help to avoid fire and allows proper airflow around the furnace.

Visually inspect the entire system twice a year to see that the equipment and the ductwork are intact and no defects are present.

Remember to:

- Check the breakers
- Clean the coils
- Close the fireplace damper
- Safety check the furnace
- Change the filters monthly
- Clean the drains
- Shade and seal the windows and doors
- Ventilate the attic

If all of these items have been checked and you are still experiencing problems with your heating system, please call our office so that a service appointment may be scheduled. Please remember that you will be charged the regular service fee if the system is found to be inoperable due to a tripped breaker or dirty filter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call Paul Larsen at (410) 697-2000, extension 2010.