Orson, that’s quite the snow suit… I thought you were already well-padded enough to withstand whatever Old Man Winter can dish out. Haha, very funny… not. That November storm was a signal that this winter might be a rough one. I wasn’t aware that owls hibernate in winter. Is this just another of your ploys to get everyone else to sleep through and leave the good food for you? Hey, I don’t ruin all your plans! Orson’s gotta eat!

To get your residence hall room or office ready for the extended break, the Office of Residential Life reminds you to take the following steps:
- Close and lock your window; and close your shades.
- Turn off and unplug all appliances and electrical devices, including alarm clocks, lights and power strips.
- Refrigerators may remain plugged in (but eat or toss any food that could go bad over break). If you can completely empty your fridge, unplug it and leave the door propped open to allow it to air out and dry out.
- Empty your trash and recycling containers.
- Remove any perishable food items.
- Turn off all lights and lock your door.

Before you head out for break:

**Recycle batteries, bags and bulbs!**

Bring any dead batteries, extra plastic shopping bags, and even burned-out light bulbs to the Sustainability Center classroom in Zabriskie 212 and deposit the items in the labeled collection boxes. We will properly dispose of them over the break.

**Don’t be grinchy…**

As you prepare to leave your room or office for the winter holiday, please turn off and unplug all energy-using equipment in your room. Many electronic items draw power even when the unit is turned off but left still plugged in. Pull the plug on energy waste.

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