Hello Everyone,

We have regular reports of mice in all the buildings around campus. On behalf of Buildings and Properties, our goal is to collaborate with the Station community, and help to prevent future infestations.

Eliminating food, shelter and habits that invite mice is a proactive approach to pest management.

- Identify and remove unnecessary clutter
- Store items on shelves, not on the ground
- For long term storage, consider heavy duty plastic, ceramic, metal or glass containers that are secure with tight fitting lids instead of cardboard boxes
- Clean up your break areas after meals, promptly discarding your food waste into garbage bins
- Do not store food and drinks in offices and labs
- All unfinished food should be put into sealed containers or a refrigerator overnight
- Mice can jump up to one foot and are excellent climbers, so check all areas to eliminate potential hiding spaces

In addition to following the above guidelines, please notify Buildings and Properties if you find:

- Gnawing or scraping marks on metal, plastic or wood
- Shavings and tearing of fibrous materials (paper, cloth), insulation and wood
- Nests made of fibrous materials averaging 5 inches in diameter
- Fecal droppings and urine stains
- Noises such as scurrying, squeaking and gnawing
- Smudge marks on walls from their bodies which indicates a runway or path
- Water leaks
- Exterior doors that don’t close tight, and light shining under exterior doors
- Cracks in the walls ¼” or larger
- Loose or torn window and vent screens

Thank you for your help,
Dahlia