

PLUG IN

HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 23

Christmas Day Monday, December 26

New Years Day Monday, January 2

BILL PAYMENT

Kiosk locations accepting credit cards, cash and checks:

HEB

1609 N. Texas Ave.

HEB

725 E. Villa Maria

BTU Drive-Through

205 E. 28th St. Open 24 hours

Bring your BTU account number, BTU bill, keycard or reminder letter.

Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the "e-payment" option by calling 979.821.5700. Account number and credit card required.

btutilities.com

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Primary Address:

205 E. 28th St., Bryan, TX 77803

Mailing Address:

PO Box 8000, Bryan, TX 77805





'TIS THE SEASON to unpack the extension cords - and plug too many decorations into them.

Decorating for Christmas with lights, inflatable lawn ornaments, projectors and music might lead festive families to commit safety blunders—and chief among them is the misuse of extension cords.



Here are 8 tips from Electrical Safety Foundation International for using extension cords properly this holiday season.

1. Never plug an extension cord into another extension cord. Often called daisy-chaining, this creates increased resistance that can lead to overheating which can create a source for fires.
2. Choose an extension cord designed for outdoor use if you plan to use it outside
3. Inspect your cords for damage, like cracks and loose wires. If they're not in good shape, replace them.
4. Purchase only extension cords approved by UL or another independent testing laboratory.
5. Use plastic hangers, instead of nailing or stapling cords to your gutters or walls to power strands of holiday lights. Using nails or staples can puncture and damage the cords.
6. Don't remove the third propa of a three-propa plug to force it into a two-propa

7. Avoid overloading a multiple-slot extension cord or power strip with too many devices. The cord and the outlet can overheat from too much electrical demand.

outlet. Instead, buy an adapter or consider upgrading your outlets.

8. Put your extension cords away with your holiday decorations. They're designed for temporary, not permanent, use.

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LEGENDS *EVENT CENTER



The 122,000-square-foot facility features 16 volleyball courts that can convert to eight basketball courts on maple hardwood, full concessions, a gaming arena, meeting and hospitality rooms, a full arcade, turf space, kitchen for catering, and a flex space with access to an outdoor patio for smaller events.

Interested in hosting your next event at Legends Event Center?

Visit **BryanLegends.com/rentals** for more information.

This multi-functional facility, located in Travis Bryan Midtown Park, is capable of hosting a variety of events, including:

- · Volleyball and basketball tournaments
- · Cheerleading and dance competitions
- · Sports practices
- · Trade shows
- · Esports competitions
- · Parties / reunions
- · Banquets / receptions
- · Corporate events
- And more!

The center is owned by the City of Bryan, operated by The Sports Facilities Companies, and is a member of the SF Network, the nation's largest and fastest growing network of sports facilities.

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To learn more about what is going on at Travis Bryan Midtown Park, visit

Bryantx.gov/MidtownPark



CONSERVATION TIPS

Energy Conservation Tip:

Is it time to replace your thermostat? The installation of a programmable thermostat can save up to 10% on heating and cooling costs each year.





Water Conservation Tip:

Know where your master water shut-off valve is in case a pipe bursts and be sure to insulate hot water pipes. You won't waste water waiting for it to get hot, which means you will save energy!