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KEEPING YOU **CONNECTED** TO THE
BEST ENERGY EFFICIENCY TIPS

AN ENERGY-EFFICIENT SCHOOL YEAR

As students head back to school, many will take electronics for education, entertainment and daily living. Since electronics are important to today's student, energy efficient electronics can help students reduce energy use and save money. Now is an excellent time to make efficiency a habit.

The [Energy Education Council](#) recommends you consider some of the following electronics to kick your school year off with an efficient start:

- **Smart Power Strips** – These power strips are controlled by a primary electronic device, such as a computer, and all peripheral electronics are controlled by the primary. For example, if you plugged a computer in and then plugged a printer in, the smart strip would shut off power to both the computer and printer when the computer was off.
- **Energy Star Products** – Many students purchase computers, stereo systems, and TVs as they prepare to move into dorms. Look for the blue Energy Star label on electronics.
- **Compact Refrigerator** – If you plan on taking a refrigerator to school, look for an Energy Star qualified model and consider a compact or micro-refrigerator.
- **Drying Rack** – Instead of waiting in the laundry room while their clothes dry, students can dry clothes on a rack in the convenience of their own room or apartment.