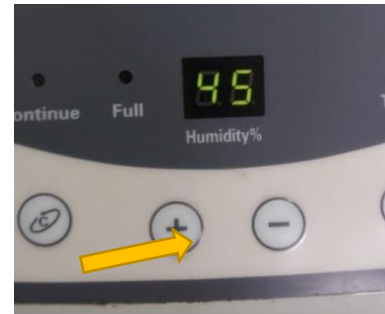


Maintaining Your Dehumidifier

For dehumidifiers to continue to work properly, it is important that the following routine maintenance tasks are performed

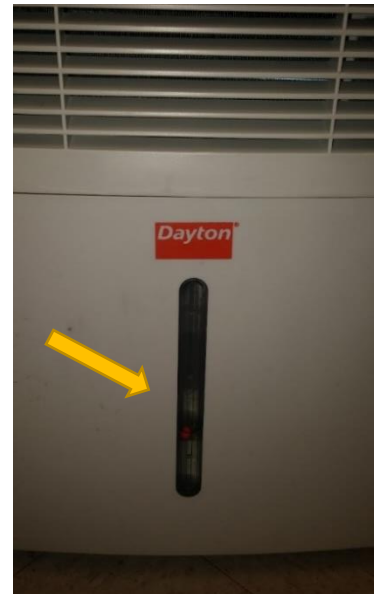
Dehumidifiers help to remove the moisture from the air and help keep our classrooms free of mold during humid months.



1. Set the dehumidifier's humidistat at the proper humidity level, usually between 45% – 50%. If you set the humidistat at a humidity level too low, the dehumidifier may run continuously and overheat.



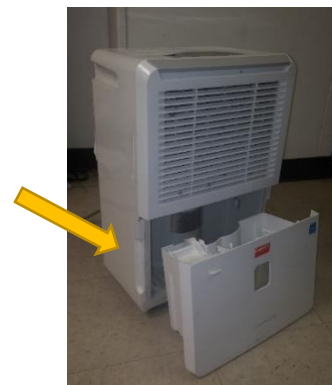
2. Clean the washable air filter once a month. Slide the filter out from the top or side and rinse in sink.



3. Check the water level and empty the tank on a regular basis to make sure that the unit runs properly.



4. Clean the water collection tank with warm soap and water after each cooling season. Mold and mildew can grow inside the tank and get dispersed into the air.





5. For dehumidifiers that drain continuously (in a sink, through a wall or into a condensate drain), check the drainage hose regularly to make sure there is flow and that the hose is sloped downward.

6. Keep windows and doors closed to get the best results from your dehumidifier. Otherwise, your dehumidifier will work overtime dehumidifying air that leaks into the treated space.



If dehumidifiers are not working or draining properly, contact the Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) Team for service at 240-740-2520.