

FYI – Your Windows are Damaging Your Neighbor's Siding

At the west side of the house, the upstairs bedroom windows have concave-shaped glass that's focusing sunlight on the neighboring house and causing its vinyl siding to melt. As the sun moves across the sky from day to day, the track of its reflection changes. The net effect is that large swaths of the neighbor's siding are damaged. There are several ways to reduce or eliminate this effect:

- The neighbor can remove the vinyl siding and install a product such as Hardiplank that won't be affected by the focused heat from the windows.
- You can cover the windows with screening or awnings that block or reduce the reflected sunlight.
- You can reglaze the windows with new insulated glass panels that are flat instead of concave. However there is no guarantee that they will not become concave over time.

