SAFETY TIPS FROM CAMPUS PATROL

Westminster College is a safe place for employees to work and for students to get a good education; however the campus is not exempt from criminal activities. It is up to all members of the college community to do their part along with campus patrol to be continually vigilant and observant of suspicious activities or persons that look out of place. If we all work together we can limit the possibility of becoming a victim of a criminal act.

Reporting Crimes on Campus

If you are a victim of any crime or you see a suspicious person or activity, contact Campus Patrol immediately.

Campus Patrol and Police Contact Information
Campus Patrol………….801-832-2525
Salt Lake City Police…..801-799-3000
Emergencies ………………………..911

For your safety the college has blue light phones in the following areas:

- One in the Nunemaker parking lot on the west side of Stock Hall
- Three in the Dumke Field Lot
  - One in the north east corner of the lot
  - One in the south east corner of the lot
  - One in the south west corner of the lot
- One on the south west corner of Shaw Center
- Parking structure
  - One on the top level in the south east corner
  - One on the main level in the center of the east wall
  - One on the lower level in the center of the east wall

Bicycle thefts is one of the biggest crimes that occur on college campuses

If you have a bike on campus secure it with a high quality U Bolt lock or a very thick chain. This will make it harder for a thief to cut the chain or lock. Most bikes that have been stolen have had a quarter inch bike cable lock or no lock at all. Register your bike at the cashier’s window in Bamberger Hall and be sure to include the serial number. If you have problems locating the serial number contact Campus Patrol and we will help you. You may also want
to take advantage of the Westminster College northwest parking structure bike cage. You will be receiving more information on the bike cage in the near future.

**Protect your valuables**

1. Hold your briefcase or purse tightly, close to your body. Don’t carry a purse or backpack hanging from one shoulder. This makes it easy for someone to grab them and run.
2. Don’t carry large amounts of cash.
3. A front pocket is safer for a wallet than a back pocket.
4. When you park your car be sure to remove all valuable items and secure them in the trunk of your car or take them with you. Many times purse, iPods, cameras, laptop computers, and other valuables are left in plain view. In less than a minute a window can be broken and the items removed.
5. Staff, faculty and students that work in an office need to be sure that valuables are locked in a file or desk drawer. When leaving the office even for a minute close and lock the door. This will prevent some one from walking into the office and removing your valuables.
6. Protect your college ID cards. These cards can give access to Resident Halls, Sodexo meal plans, Library access to check out books, Utah transit bus pass an some different building codes on campus. Do not let anyone use your ID card. If it is lost or stolen you need to immediately notify campus patrol or student services.

**Safety in parking structures and lots**

1. Carry your keys in your hands. You will be able to get into your car faster and the keys can be used as a weapon.
2. Walk in the center of the isles when safe to do so.
3. Walk with confidence keeping aware of your surroundings.
4. Park in well-lit, well traveled areas of the parking structure.
5. Do not leave valuables in your car.
6. Always make sure your car is locked.

Call Campus Patrol for an escort anytime 24 hours per day.

**Safety in Student Resident Halls**

1. When entering the main door to your resident hall watch for persons loitering near the entrance that could piggy back on your entrance into the building.
2. Before leaving your room lock all of the windows.
3. When you leave your room, make sure the door is locked securely even if you are visiting someone in the next room.
4. Do not tape or put any objects in your door jam. It is easy to forget and this will leave your room vulnerable.

5. If you have expensive equipment in your room (computers, stereos, or televisions) record the serial numbers and have them engraved with your personal identification.

6. When you exit your resident hall do not use the handicap button unless you are handicapped. This allows the door to remain open long enough for anyone to enter the building as you are walking away.

7. Report any building safety issues immediately to the RA or Student Services

Following these tips will help protect you and the other students in the resident halls.

**Safety on Campus in the evening**

1. Walk with a friend or group of students.
2. Stay in well-lit or populated areas. Take the safest route not the fastest route.
3. Constantly be aware of your surroundings. Don’t be afraid to look over your shoulders. Maintain a safe distance between yourself and others.
4. Carry your keys in your hand. They may be used as a weapon.
5. Call for Campus Patrol for an escort any time 24 hours per day
6. Put Campus Patrol’s number in your cell phone on speed dial 801-832-2525

**Safety when walking off campus**

1. Try to find friends that will walk with you. It is always safer to travel in a group.
2. If you are walking by yourself try not to have any packages that would attract a possible thief. Pay attention to your surroundings. If you see some one that you feel is following you:
   - Cross the street
   - Change directions
   - Keep looking back so the person knows you can’t be surprised
   - Go to a well-lighted area; enter a store, house residence hall, classroom, or any place where there are other people.
   - Notice and remember as much as possible about the person so you can give a good description to the police

**Know what to do in case of fire**

1. Know the location of fire extinguishers.
2. Know the location of fire alarm pull stations
3. Know the location of fire exits.
4. If you discover a fire go to the nearest pull station and sound the alarm.
5. Call 911 and advise location of fire
6. Call for Campus Patrol at 801-832-2525

**The immediate effects of alcohol**

- Impaired judgment
- Poor coordination
- Loss of muscular control.

Westminster College policy is that no one under the legal age of 21 may consume alcohol on or off campus (refer to the student handbook). Violations of this policy will result in administrative action by the Dean of Students.

**Alcohol Poisoning**

Alcohol can cause death directly by acting on those brain areas that control consciousness, respiration and heart rate. As a central nervous system depressant, alcohol can "turn off" these vital brain areas, resulting first in coma and then death.

**Symptoms of Alcohol Poisoning**

If you have any of the following symptoms, you are experiencing an overdose reaction:

1. Vomiting
2. Passed out
3. Difficult to awaken
4. Slow, shallow breathing

**What You Should Do**

Don’t let a person who has been drinking heavily "sleep it off.” If they persist in falling asleep, wake them up. If they don’t respond, it's time to call your Resident Advisor, the paramedic’s emergency number (911) and tell them you need an ambulance for a possible alcohol overdose. Also contact Campus Patrol at 801-832-2525. Do not assume your friend will simply sleep it off. When in doubt, call for help. Don't take a chance with your friend’s life. If you know or suspect that other drugs may have been taken, be sure to notify at least one or more ambulance personnel. Alcohol in combination with other drugs accounts for about 30% of all drug overdose deaths. Remember, the word intoxication.

Campus Patrol is required to submit an Annual Security Report to the United States Department of Education each year. This report identifies the crimes that occur on or immediately adjacent to college property.

It is important for all of the college community to report crimes to Campus patrol in a timely manner. These crime are to be listed on a crime log within 24 hours of the criminal activity. The following information will direct you to the location of these reports.

The Campus Security Report and the Crime log are located on the Campus Patrol web page. The following link will take you to the Campus Patrol web page

[http://www.westminstercollege.edu/campus_patrol/](http://www.westminstercollege.edu/campus_patrol/)
The campus crime log crime Log can also be viewed on the bulletin board across from the cashier’s office in Bamberger Hall.