## **Kansas Wesleyan University**

# **2022 COMBINED ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT & FIRE SAFETY REPORT**

## **Introduction**

This report is provided in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act, as amended. It provides students and employees of Kansas Wesleyan University ("University") with information on: the University's security arrangements, policies and procedures; programs that provide education on such things as drug and alcohol abuse, awareness of various kinds of sex offenses, and the prevention of crime generally; and procedures the University will take to notify the campus community in the event of an emergency. Its purpose is to provide students and employees with information that will help them make informed decisions relating to their own safety and the safety of others.

## **Policy for Preparing the Annual Report**

This report is prepared by the Vice President for Student Development in cooperation with local law enforcement authorities and includes information provided by them as well as by the University's campus security authorities and various other elements of the University. Each year an e-mail notification is made to all enrolled students and employees that provides the website link to access this report. Prospective students and employees are also notified of the report's availability. Hard copies of the report may also be obtained at no cost by contacting the Student Development Office in Room 125 of Pioneer Hall.

The University is committed to taking the actions necessary to provide a safe and secure working/learning environment for all students and staff. As a member of the campus community, you can feel safe and comfortable knowing that security procedures are in place that represent best practices in the field, and are constantly tested and re-evaluated for their effectiveness.

## **General Safety and Security Policies**

#### Campus Security Personnel & Relationship with Local Law Enforcement

The Campus Security Department is responsible for campus safety at the University.

Members of the Campus Security Department are not commissioned law enforcement officers. They do not have the authority to make arrests but have the authority to conceal and carry firearms. The department's jurisdiction covers all of the University's property.

The University maintains a close working relationship with local police. There is a MOU in place regarding responding to sexual assaults. Also, there is an agreement for a local uniformed police officer to live on campus in a campus apartment.

#### **Campus Security Authorities**

The University has designated certain officials to serve as campus security authorities. Reports of criminal activity can be made to these officials. They in turn will ensure that the crimes are reported for collection as part of the University's annual report of crime statistics. The campus security authorities to whom the University would prefer that crimes be reported are listed below.

- Vice President for Student Development at 785-833-4325
- Director of Athletics at 785-833-4377
- Assistant Director of Student Development at 785-833-4330
- Student Conduct and Residential Education Coordinator at 785-833-4327
- Campus Security at 785-829-6017
- Director of Campus Safety at 785-833-4360

#### **Reporting a Crime or Emergency**

The University encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all criminal actions, emergencies, or other incidents occurring on campus, on other property owned by the University, or on nearby public property to the appropriate administrator and appropriate police agencies. Such a report is encouraged even when the victim of a crime elects not to make a report or is unable to do so.

- All crimes occurring on or near University property should be reported immediately to the Campus Security Department. The number to contact is 785-829-6017.
- If a crime is in progress or there is some other situation posing imminent danger, local law enforcement can be reached by dialing 911 or 9-911 from an on-campus phone.
- Students, staff, and faculty can report an emergency through the KWU Safe Zone app. Safe Zone is a location-sharing app that will pinpoint your location when you activate an alert for assistance.
- Students, staff, and visitors should also report situations to one of the campus security authorities identified above. Once reported, the individual may also be encouraged to report the situation to the appropriate police agency. If requested, a University staff member will assist in making the report to police.

#### **Confidential Reporting**

The University will do its best to protect the confidentiality of victims. Only those with a need to know the identity for purposes of investigating the crime, assisting the victim or disciplining the perpetrator will know the victim's identity.

Pursuant to the University's Sexual Misconduct and Unlawful Harassment Policy, when an employee who is not a confidential resource becomes aware of alleged misconduct under that policy (including, but not limited to, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking), the employee is responsible for reporting that information, including the status of the parties, if known, to the Title IX Coordinator. A victim of other types of crimes (e.g., aggravated assault, burglary, etc.) who does not want to pursue action within the University disciplinary system or the criminal justice system is nevertheless encouraged to make a confidential report to a campus security authority. Upon the victim's request, a report of the details of the incident can be filed with the University without revealing

the victim's identity. Such a confidential report complies with the victim's wishes, but still helps the University take appropriate steps to ensure the future safety of the victim and others. With such information, the University can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving members of the campus community, determine where a pattern of crime may be developing and alert the community as to any potential danger. These confidential reports are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the University.

The University does not employ any pastoral or professional counselors and thus does not have procedures for these positions to inform the persons they are counseling of any procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

#### **Security of and Access to Campus Facilities**

All academic buildings are secured during the evenings and weekends. Access to the buildings is only allowed for faculty/staff members and students who are approved to have access. The residence halls are locked 24/7. Security officers secure the campus buildings around 10:00 pm as well, performing random "walk-throughs" on campus each night. The officers also perform vehicle patrols of parking lots and surrounding areas.

Students and employees are asked to be alert and to not circumvent practices and procedures that are meant to preserve their safety and that of others:

- Do not prop doors open or allow strangers into campus buildings that have been secured
- Do not lend keys or access cards to non-students and do not leave them unattended
- Do not give access codes to anyone who does not belong to the campus community

Keys and access cards to the offices, laboratories, and classrooms on campus will be issued to employees only as needed and after receiving the proper authorization. Each department supervisor is responsible for assuring his/her area is secured and locked.

Employee and student identification cards may be used to verify the identity of persons suspected to be in campus facilities without permission.

## Security Considerations in the Maintenance of Facilities

Campus Security works with the Plant Operations Department to identify maintenance issues on campus that may be safety hazards. Safety checks are completed to identify street or safety lights that are not functioning properly, or to determine if shrubs or other landscaping might need trimming. Maintenance and Campus Security personnel regularly check to ensure there is adequate lighting on pathways and that egress lighting is working in hallways and stairwells.

## Educational Programs Related to Security Awareness and Prevention of Criminal Activity

The University seeks to enhance the security of its campus and the members of the campus community by periodically presenting educational programs to inform students and employees about campus security procedures and practices, to encourage students and employees to be responsible for their own security and the security of others and to inform them about the prevention of crimes. These programs are discussed below.

The University provides information at the beginning of each academic term for students and employees regarding the University's security procedures and practices. This information is in the form of posters and other displays, residence hall meetings, department meetings, and email blasts. Among other

things, it advises students and employees of the importance of reporting criminal activity, to whom crimes should be reported, being responsible for their own safety and the safety of others and practices regarding timely warnings and emergency notifications.

Crime prevention programs are also presented each semester by Student Development, Campus Safety and Residential Life. Safety walkthroughs of campus are done each semester with Administration and the SGA Leadership team. In addition, email blasts are periodically sent out to students and employees with crime prevention and other safety tips, and pamphlets on crime prevention are available in the Office of Student Development, Center for Public Policy and Safety and Office of Human Resources.

#### **Monitoring Off-Campus Locations of Recognized Student Organizations**

The University monitors and records, through local police agencies, any criminal activity in which students have engaged at off-campus locations of student organizations officially recognized by the University, including student organizations with off-campus housing facilities.

#### Disclosure of the Outcome of a Crime of Violence or Non-Forcible Sex Offense

Upon written request, the University will disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as that term is defined in section 16 of title 18, United States Code), or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the University against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of the paragraph.

The previous paragraph does not apply to victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking because under the Violence Against Women Act both the accused and accuser in these cases are given the results without the need to make a written request.

## **Drug and Alcohol Policy**

The University is committed to creating and maintaining an environment that is free of alcohol abuse. The University prohibits the possession, use, and sale of alcohol beverage on campus or as any part of the University's activities, unless it is done so in accordance with applicable University policies, and it also enforces the state's underage drinking laws.

The University also enforces federal and state drug laws. The possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs is prohibited on campus or as any part of the University's activities. Violators of the University's policies or federal and state laws regarding illegal drugs will be subject to disciplinary action and possibly criminal prosecution.

#### **Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program**

The University has a drug and alcohol abuse and prevention program and conducts a biennial review of this program to evaluate its effectiveness. An annual notification is sent to campus with information on conduct and campus sanctions, legal sanctions, health risks, and resources available. For more information, see below.

- Student alcohol/drug policy: <u>http://www.kwu.edu/current-students/student-development-policies</u>
- Employee alcohol/drug policy: https://www.kwu.edu/about-kwu/job-opportunities

- Alcohol/drug webpage: <a href="http://kwu.readsh101.com">http://kwu.readsh101.com</a>
- Biennial review of the University's drug and alcohol abuse prevention program: A copy of the report can be obtained in the Student Development Office.

# Policies, Procedures, and Programs Related to Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

Consistent with applicable laws, the University prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The University's policy used to address complaints of this nature, as well as the procedures for filing, investigating and resolving complaints, may be found at:

• Sexual Misconduct and Unlawful Harassment Policy: <u>http://www.kwu.edu/current-</u> students/student-development/student-development-policies

The following sections of this report discuss the University's educational programs to promote the awareness of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking; provides information concerning procedures students and employees should follow and the services available in the event they do become a victim of one of these offenses; and advises students and employees of the disciplinary procedures that will be followed after an allegation that one of these offenses has occurred.

#### Primary Prevention and Awareness Program:

The University conducts a Primary Prevention and Awareness Program (PPAP) for all incoming students and new employees. The PPAP advises campus community members that the University prohibits the offenses of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. They are also informed of the topics discussed below, including relevant definitions, risk reduction, and bystander intervention.

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
Dating Violence	The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term dating violence.
Domestic Violence (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21- 5111)	"Domestic violence" means an act or threatened act of violence against a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship, or an act or threatened act of violence against a family or household member by a family or household member. Domestic violence also includes any other crime committed against a person or against property, or any municipal ordinance violation against a person or against property, when directed against a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or when directed against a family or household member by a family or household member.
	<ul> <li>For purpose of this definition:</li> <li>"Dating relationship" means a social relationship of a romantic nature. In addition to any other factors the court deems relevant, the trier of fact may consider the following when making a determination of whether a relationship</li> </ul>

#### Crime Definitions

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
	exists or existed: Nature of the relationship, length of time the relationship existed, frequency of interaction between the parties and time since termination of the relationship, if applicable.
	<ul> <li>"Family or household member" means persons 18 years of age or older who are spouses, former spouses, parents or stepparents and children or stepchildren, and person who are presently residing together or have resided together in the past, and persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time. Family and household member also includes a man and woman if the woman is pregnant and the man is the alleged father, regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time.</li> </ul>
Stalking	<ul> <li>Stalking is: (1) Recklessly engaging in a course of conduct targeted at a specific person which would cause a reasonable person in the circumstances of the targeted person to fear for such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family and the targeted person is actually placed in such fear; (2) Engaging in a course of conduct targeted at a specific person with knowledge that the course of conduct will place the targeted person in fear for such person's safety or the safety of a member of such person's safety or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family; or (3) After being served with, or otherwise provided notice of any protected orderthat prohibits contact with a targeted person, recklessly engaging in at least one act listed [below] that violates the provisions of the order and would cause a reasonable person to fear for such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's safety or the order and would cause a reasonable person to fear for such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family and the targeted person is actually placed in such fear.</li> </ul>
(Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21- 5427)	<ul> <li>"Course of conduct" means two or more acts over a period of time, however short, which evidence a continuity of purpose. A course of conduct shall not include constitutionally protected activity nor conduct that was necessary to accomplish a legitimate purpose independent of making contact with the targeted person. A course of conduct shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following acts or a combination thereof: (A) Threatening the safety of the targeted person or a member of such person's immediate family; (B) Following, approaching or confronting the targeted person or a member of such person's immediate family; (C) Appearing in close proximity to, or entering the targeted person's residence, place of employment, school or other place where such person can be found, or the residence, place of employment or school of a member of such person's immediate family; (D) Causing damage to the targeted person's residence or property or that of a member of such person's immediate family; (E) Placing an object on the targeted person's property or the property of a member of such person's immediate family, either directly or through a third</li> </ul>

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	person; (F) Causing injury to the targeted person's pet or a pet belonging to a member of such person's immediate family; (G) Any act of communication.							
Sexual Assault	The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term sexual assault.							
Rape, Fondling, Incest, Statutory Rape	<ul> <li>For purposes of the Clery Act, the term "sexual assault" includes the offenses of rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape. These definitions under Kansas law are as follows:</li> <li>Rape (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5503): (1) Knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse with a victim who does not consent to the sexual intercourse under any of the following circumstances: (A) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; or (B) when the victim is unconscious or physically powerless; (2) Knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of the effect of any alcoholic liquor, narcotic, drug or other substance, which condition was known by the offender or was reasonably apparent to the offender; (3) sexual intercourse with a child who is under 14 years of age; (4) sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim's consent was obtained through a knowing misrepresentation made by the offender that the sexual intercourse was a medically or therapeutically necessary procedure; or (5) sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim's consent was obtained through a knowing misrepresentation made by the offender's authority.</li> <li>Fondling: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term fondling.</li> <li>Incest (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5604(a)): Incest is marriage to or engaging in otherwise lawful sexual intercourse or sodomy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5501, and amendments thereto, with a person who is 18 or more years of age and who is known to the offender to be related to the offender as any of the following biological relatives: Child, grandparent of any degree, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece: (2) engaging in otherwise lawful sexual intercourse or sodomy as defined in K.S.A. 21-5501, and amendments thereto, with a person who is 18 or more years of age and who is known t</li></ul>							

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Annotated)	thereto; or (B) any lewd fondling, as described in subsection (a)(1) of K.S.A. 21- 5506, and amendments thereto.
	<ul> <li>Statutory Rape: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term statutory rape.</li> </ul>
	Other crimes under Kansas law that may be classified as a "sexual assault" include the following:
	<ul> <li>Criminal Sodomy (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5504(a)): Criminal sodomy is: (1) Sodomy between persons who are 16 or more years of age and members of the same sex; (2) sodomy between a person and an animal; (3) sodomy with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age; or (4) causing a child 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age to engage in sodomy with any person or animal.</li> </ul>
Other "sexual assault" crimes	<ul> <li>Aggravated Criminal Sodomy (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5504(b)): Aggravated criminal sodomy is: (1) Sodomy with a child who is under 14 years of age; (2) causing a child under 14 years of age to engage in sodomy with any person or an animal; or (3) sodomy with a victim who does not consent to the sodomy or causing a victim, without the victim's consent, to engage in sodomy with any person or an animal under any of the following circumstances: (A) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; (B) when the victim is unconscious or physically powerless; or (C) when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because, which condition was known by, or was reasonably apparent to, the offender.</li> </ul>
	• Sexual Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5505(a)): Sexual battery is the touching of a victim who is not the spouse of the offender, who is 16 or more years of age and who does not consent thereto, with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the offender or another.
	<ul> <li>Aggravated Sexual Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5505(b)): Aggravated sexual battery is the touching of a victim who is 16 or more years of age and who does not consent thereto with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the offender or another and under any of the following circumstances: (1) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; (2) when the victim is unconscious or physically powerless; or (3) when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of the effect of any alcoholic liquor, narcotic, drug or other substance, which condition was known by, or was reasonably apparent to, the offender.</li> </ul>
	• Indecent Liberties with a Child (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5506(a): Indecent liberties with a child is engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is 14 or more

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	years of age but less than 16 years of age: (1) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (2) soliciting the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another.
	<ul> <li>Aggravated Indecent Liberties with a Child (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5506(b)): Aggravated indecent liberties with a child is: (1) Sexual intercourse with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age; (2) engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age and who does not consent thereto: (A) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (B) causing the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another; or (3) engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is under 14 years of age: (A) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of age: (A) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (B) soliciting the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another.</li> </ul>
Consent (as it relates to sexual activity)	The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term consent (as it relates to sexual activity).

#### University Definition of Consent

The University uses the following definition of consent in its sexual misconduct policy for the purpose of determining whether sexual violence (including sexual assault) has occurred:

A critical factor that distinguishes acceptable sexual behavior from unacceptable sexual behavior is the consent of the parties involved. Consent is informed and freely and actively given. Consent is communicated through mutually understandable words or actions that indicate willingness by all of the involved parties to engage in the same sexual activity, at the same time, and in the same way.

Clear and open communication is an essential element to conveying and understanding consent. Any person who contemplates initiating any form of sexual activity is strongly encouraged to talk with all involved parties before engaging in such activity. While it is the responsibility of the initiator of a specific sexual activity to obtain consent, individuals should communicate as clearly and verbally as possible with all parties about what they do and do not want.

#### **Elements of Consent:**

- 1. Consent cannot be freely given if the person's ability to understand and give consent is impaired. Examples of those who are impaired and therefore cannot give consent include:
- any person who is incapacitated due to the use of alcohol and/or other drugs;
- any person who is unconscious or for any reason is physically incapacitated;
- any person who is mentally impaired;
- any person less than 17 years old;
- any person who has experienced the explicit or implicit use of force, coercion, threats, and/or intimidation.
- 2. Ideally, consent is given verbally. However, consent (or lack of consent) may also be expressed through gestures, body language, and/or attitude. For example, active reciprocation could express consent, and pushing someone away, or simply moving away, could express lack of consent.
- 3. Silence does not equal consent.
- 4. Consent to one form of sexual activity does not necessarily imply consent to other forms of sexual activity. Consent may be given for specific activities and not for others.
- 5. Any party has the right to change their mind and withdraw consent at any time.
- 6. A prior sexual history between the participants does not constitute consent.
- 7. A person's ability to freely give consent may be jeopardized if the initiator is in a position of power over the person. Examples might include if the initiator is a supervisor of the person.

#### **Risk Reduction**

If you find yourself in an uncomfortable sexual situation, these suggestions may help you reduce your risk:

- Make your limits known before going too far.
- You can withdraw consent to sexual activity at any time. Do not be afraid to tell a sexual aggressor "NO" clearly and loudly.
- Try to remove yourself from the physical presence of a sexual aggressor. Be direct as possible about wanting to leave the environment.
- Grab someone nearby and ask them for help.
- Be responsible about your alcohol and/or drug use. Alcohol and drugs can lower your sexual inhibitions and may make you vulnerable to someone who views an intoxicated/high person as a sexual opportunity.
- Attend large parties with friends you trust. Watch out for your friends and ask that they watch out for you.
- Be aware of someone trying to slip you an incapacitating "rape drug" like Rohypnol or GHB.

If you find yourself in the position of being the initiator of sexual behavior, these suggestions may help you to reduce your risk of being accused of sexual assault or another sexual crime:

• Remember that you owe sexual respect to the other person.

- Don't make assumptions about the other person's consent or about how far they are willing to go.
- Remember that consent to one form of sexual activity does not necessarily imply consent to another form of sexual behavior.
- If your partner expresses a withdrawal of consent, stop immediately.
- Clearly communicate your sexual intentions so that the other person has a chance to clearly tell you their intentions.
- Consider "mixed messages" a clear sign that the other person is uncomfortable with the situation and may not be ready to progress sexually.
- Don't take advantage of someone who is really drunk or on drugs, even if they knowingly and intentionally put themselves in that state. Further, don't be afraid to step in if you see someone else trying to take advantage of a nearly incapacitated person.
- Be aware of the signs of incapacitation, such as slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, vomiting, unusual behavior, passing out, staggering, etc.

It is also important to be aware of the warning signs of an abusive person. Some examples include: past abuse; threats of violence or abuse; breaking objects; using force during an argument; jealousy; controlling behavior; quick involvement; unrealistic expectations; isolation; blames others for problems; hypersensitivity; cruelty to animals or children; "playful" use of force during sex; Jekyll-and-Hyde personality.

#### **Bystander Intervention**

In addition to reporting incidents to appropriate authorities, below are some ways in which individuals can take safe and positive steps to prevent harm and intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking against another person.

- Look out for those around you.
- Realize that it is important to intervene to help others.
- Treat everyone respectfully. Do not be hostile or an antagonist.
- Be confident when intervening.
- Recruit help from others if necessary.
- Be honest and direct.
- Keep yourself safe.
- If things get out of hand, don't hesitate to contact the police.

#### Other Information Covered by the PPAP

The PPAP also provides information on possible sanctions and protective measures that may be imposed following a determination that an offense of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has occurred, an explanation of the disciplinary procedures that will be followed when one of these offenses is alleged, the rights of the parties in such a proceeding, available resources, and other pertinent information. Much of this information is set forth in the upcoming sections of this security report.

#### **Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign:**

The University also conducts an Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign (OPAC) aimed at all students and employees. This campaign covers the same material as provided in the PPAP, but is intended to increase the understanding of students and employees on these topics and to improve their skills for addressing the offenses of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

#### **PPAP and OPAC Programming Methods:**

The Primary Prevention and Awareness Program and Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign are carried out in a variety of ways, using a range of strategies, and, as appropriate, targeting specific audiences throughout the University. Methods include, but are not limited to: presentations, online training modules, distribution of written materials, periodic email blasts, and guest speakers. A summary of this programming is provided below.

- New students receive education on the prevention of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking through a presentation by the Office of Student Development, Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK) and the Campus Security Department during orientation. All new employees are required to complete an online training module on these topics within the first year and are required to retake the online training each year.
- As part of its ongoing campaign, the University uses a variety of strategies, such as in-person presentations by sexual assault organizations, emails blasts with pertinent information, portal announcements, etc. While programming occurs throughout the year, the University also offers educational sessions and literature in coordination with nationally recognized observances such as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

# Procedures to Follow if You are a Victim of Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking:

If you are a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, go to a safe place and call 911 or the Campus Security Department at 785-829-6017. You may also contact the University's Title IX Coordinator at 785-833-4325.

Victims will be notified in writing of the procedures to follow, including:

- 1. To whom and how the alleged offense should be reported (contact the Title IX Coordinator or refer to the other resources listed in this report).
- 2. The importance of preserving evidence that may be necessary to prove the offense in a criminal proceeding or disciplinary action or to obtain a protective order.
- 3. The victim's options regarding notification to law enforcement, which are: (a) the option to notify either on-campus or local police; (b) the option to be assisted by campus security authorities in notifying law enforcement if the victim so chooses (the institution is obligated to comply with such a request if it is made); and (c) the option to decline to notify such authorities.
- 4. Where applicable, the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities regarding orders of protection, no-contact orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by a criminal, civil, or tribal court.

#### Preservation of Evidence & Forensic Examinations

Victims of physical assault are advised to not remove clothing items worn during or following an assault, as they frequently contain valuable fiber, hair, and fluid evidence. Don't bathe or wash, or otherwise clean the environment in which the assault occurred. You can obtain a forensic examination at Salina Regional Health Center, 400 S Santa Fe, Salina, KS 67401, 785-452-7000.

Completing a forensic examination does not require you to file a police report, but having a forensic examination will help preserve evidence in case you decide at a later date to file a police report.

Victims are also advised to retain evidence in electronic formats (e.g., text messages, emails, photos, social media posts, screenshots, etc.). Such evidence is valuable in all situations, and it may be the only type of evidence available in instances of stalking.

#### Security/Law Enforcement & How to Make a Police Report

- 1st Choice Security/Campus Security: 785-829-6017
- Salina Police Department: 255 N 10th, Salina, KS 67401, 911 or 785-826-7210
- To make a police report, a victim should contact the local police agency listed above either by phone or in-person. The victim should provide as much information as possible, including name, address, and when and what occurred, to the best of the victim's ability.

#### Information about Legal Protection Orders

In Kansas, victims may obtain a Protection from Abuse Order, which provides protective relief for victims of dating violence, domestic violence, or sexual assault. A victim of stalking may also obtain a Protection from Stalking Order. Information about these protection orders and required forms can be found at: <a href="http://kscourts.org/programs/domestic-violence/default.asp">http://kscourts.org/programs/domestic-violence/default.asp</a>.

#### Filling out the forms

Protection Orders are issued through the district court. The law allows you to file an order without an attorney. Standard forms are available at the district court clerk's office or your local domestic violence or Victim/Witness Program. The Clerk of the district court is located 300 W. Ash St. in the Saline County-City Building on the 3rd floor. (785-309-5835)

You will be asked to provide specific information on why you are requesting the order including dates, as near as possible, times and locations of recent abusive or stalking incidents. The district court clerk is not required to help you complete the forms. You will be asked to complete the forms with the assistance of the Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas (DVACK) Court Advocate (office is located on the same floor as the Clerk's office).

#### Obtaining a Protection Order

Once the forms are completed, they are taken to the judge who decides if there is enough evidence to issue a protection order. You may be asked to clarify some of the information on your application. If the order is granted, you will receive a copy and the sheriff's department will receive a copy to serve upon the respondent (person you are filing the order against). The order will not be in effect until the respondent has been served. Once the respondent has been served, he or she will attend a scheduled formal hearing.

#### Protection Order Hearing

You are encouraged to appear at the hearing. At this time, the respondent will have the opportunity to show why the order should not remain in effect. If you believe this will happen, you may want to seek the assistance of an attorney.

The order will be in effect for one year. At the end of the year, if you still feel you need protection, you can file for another order.

There is no initial filing fee or cost for serving the order.

When a protection order is granted, it is enforceable statewide. If you have obtained a protection order and need it to be enforced in your area, you should contact the local police department.

The institution will also enforce any temporary restraining order or other no contact order against the alleged perpetrator from a criminal, civil, or tribal court. Any student or employee who has a protection order or no contact order should notify the Title IX Coordinator and provide a copy of the restraining order so that it may be kept on file with the institution and can be enforced on campus, if necessary. Upon learning of any orders, the institution will take all reasonable and legal action to implement the order.

The institution does not issue legal orders of protection. However, as a matter of institutional policy, the institution may impose a no-contact order between individuals in appropriate circumstances. The institution may also issue a "no trespass warning" if information available leads to a reasonable conclusion that an individual is likely to cause harm to any member of the campus community. A person found to be in violation of a No Trespass Warning may be arrested and criminally charged.

#### Available Victim Services:

Victims will be provided written notification about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available to them, both within the University and in the surrounding community. Those services include:

#### University Resources

- A MOU exists between KWU and Veridian Behavioral Health Center. KWU will pay for the first two sessions attended by a KWU student.
- Timely Care a telehealth program that provides access to free, 24/7/365 medical and mental virtual health care from anywhere in the United States. Providers are available to offer medical and mental health support via phone or secure video visits.
- Student Financial Aid Sometimes a victim of a crime may feel the need to take a leave of absence from school. If a student is considering a leave of absence based on the circumstances of a complaint, he/she should understand there may be financial aid implications in taking such leave. This should be discussed with financial aid personnel, and the Title IX Coordinator can assist in facilitating this conversation if desired. The University's financial aid website can be found at: http://www.kwu.edu/future-students/tuition-fees/financial-aid

#### State/Local Resources

- Salina Regional Health Center: <u>https://www.srhc.com</u>
- Veridian Behavioral Health: <u>http://www.veridianbh.com</u>
- Domestic Violence Association of Central Kansas: <a href="http://dvack.org">http://dvack.org</a>
- Kansas Legal Services: <u>https://www.kansaslegalservices.org</u>

#### National Resources

• National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233

- National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-4673
- Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN): <u>https://www.rainn.org/</u>
- US Dept. of Justice Office on Violence Against Women: <u>https://www.justice.gov/ovw</u>
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence: <u>http://www.ncadv.org/</u>
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center: <u>http://www.nsvrc.org/</u>
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services: <u>https://www.uscis.gov/</u>
- Immigration Advocates Network: https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/

#### **Accommodations and Protective Measures:**

The University will provide written notification to victims about options for, and available assistance in, changing academic, living, transportation, and working situations or protective measures. If victims request these accommodations or protective measures and they are reasonably available, then the University is obligated to provide them, regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to campus security or local law enforcement.

Requests for accommodations or protective measures should be made to the Title IX Coordinator at 785-833-4325, and the Title IX Coordinator is responsible for deciding what, if any, accommodations or protective measures will be implemented.

When determining the reasonableness of such a request, the University may consider, among other factors, the following:

- The specific need expressed by the complainant.
- The age of the students involved.
- The severity or pervasiveness of the allegations
- Any continuing effects on the complainant
- Whether the complainant and alleged perpetrator share the same class or job location.
- Whether other judicial measures have been taken to protect the complainant (e.g., civil protection orders).

The University will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided a victim to the extent that maintaining confidentiality would not impair the University's ability to provide them. However, there may be times when certain information must be disclosed to a third party in order to implement the accommodation or protective measure. Such decisions will be made by the University in light of the surrounding circumstances, and disclosures of this nature will be limited so that only the information necessary to implement the accommodation or protective measure is provided. In the event it is necessary to disclose information about a victim in order to provide an accommodation or

protective order, the University will inform the victim of that necessity prior to the disclosure, including which information will be shared, with whom it will be shared and why.

#### **Procedures for Disciplinary Action:**

Allegations of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking will be processed through the institution's Sexual Misconduct and Unlawful Harassment Policy and the related complaint resolution procedures. The procedures are utilized whenever or wherever a complaint is made, regardless of the status of the complainant and the respondent.

The complaint resolution procedures are invoked once a report is made to the following individual:

#### Title IX Coordinator

Bridget Weiser Vice President for Student Development 785-833-4325 Pioneer Hall, RM 125 <u>bridget@kwu.edu</u>

#### **Deputy Title IX Coordinator**

Becky Mathews Human Resources Coordinator 785-833-4303 Pioneer Hall, RM 185 <u>becky.mathews@kwu.edu</u>

#### **Deputy Title IX Coordinator**

Christian Mitchell Assistant Director of Student Development 785-833-4330 Pioneer Hall, RM 125 <u>christian.mitchell@kwu.edu</u>

## Student Conduct Coordinator

Colton Spresser Student Conduct and Residential Education Coordinator 785-833-4327 Pioneer Hall, RM 125 colton.spresser@kwu.edu

Once a complaint is made, the Title IX Coordinator will commence the investigatory process as soon as practicable, but not later than ten (10) days after the complaint is made. The Title IX Coordinator and/or designee will analyze the complaint and notify the respondent that a complaint has been filed.

During the investigation, the complainant and respondent will each have an equal opportunity to describe the situation and present witnesses and other supporting evidence through a live hearing. The decision maker(s) will review the statements and evidence presented and may, depending on the circumstances, interview others with relevant knowledge, review documentary materials, and take any other appropriate action to gather and consider information relevant to the complaint. Upon completion of the investigation, the decision maker(s) make a determination as to whether any

allegations in the complaint were found to be substantiated by a preponderance of the evidence. The investigator(s) will then prepare an investigation report outlining the findings. Sanctions will be determined by the decision maker at the conclusion of the live hearing. The institution strives to complete investigations of this nature within sixty (60) calendar days.

Both parties have an equal opportunity to appeal the determination of the investigation by filing a written appeal with the Appeals Team within seven (7) days of being notified of the outcome of the investigation. The Appeals Team will resolve the appeal within twenty (20) days of receiving it, and may take any and all actions that he/she determines to be in the interest of a fair and just decision.

#### **Rights of the Parties in an Institutional Proceeding:**

During the course of the process described in the previous section, both the accuser and the individual accused of the offense are entitled to:

- 1. A prompt, fair and impartial process from the initial investigation to the final result.
  - A prompt, fair and impartial process is one that is:
    - Completed within reasonably prompt timeframes designated by the institution's policy, including a process that allows for the extension of timeframes for good cause, with written notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for the delay.
    - Conducted in a manner that:
      - Is consistent with the institution's policies and transparent to the accuser and the accused.
      - Includes timely notice of meetings at which the accuser or accused, or both, may be present; and
      - Provides timely access to the accuser, the accused and appropriate officials to any information that will be used during the informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings.
    - Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the accuser or the accused.
- Proceedings conducted by officials who, at a minimum, receive annual training on the issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking and on how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability.
  - Such training addresses topics such as relevant evidence and how it should be used during a proceeding, proper techniques for questioning witnesses, basic procedural rules for conducting a proceeding, and avoiding actual and perceived conflicts of interest. Trainings include ATIXA Title IX Investigator training, Husch Blackwell Title IX Coordinator and Investigator training, KICA Title IX training, EVERFI Title IX training.
- 3. The same opportunities to have others present during any institutional disciplinary proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice. The institution may not limit the choice of advisor, but may establish limits regarding the extent to which that advisor may participate in the proceeding, as long as those limits apply equally to both parties.

- 4. Have the outcome determined using the preponderance of the evidence standard.
- 5. Simultaneous, written notification of the results of the proceeding, any procedures for either party to appeal the result, any change to the result, and when the result becomes final. For this purpose, "result" means "any initial, interim and final decision by an official or entity authorized to resolve disciplinary matters" and must include the rationale for reaching the result and any sanctions imposed.

# Possible Sanctions or Protective Measures that the University May Impose for Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking Offenses:

Following a final determination in the institution's disciplinary proceeding that dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed, the institution may impose a sanction depending on the mitigating and aggravating circumstances involved. The sanctions include:

Employees and/or students: No Contact Directive, modifications in residence hall residency, modifications in employment location or schedule, modifications in academic schedule, exams, and assignments, withdrawing from a course, voluntary withdrawal, emergency interim suspension of the responding party, educational interventions, probation, expulsion, written warnings, targeted community service, suspension, banned from campus, cancellation of contract and/or termination of employment.

Other members of KWU's community who are not subject to an explicit judicial procedure, upon a finding of a violation, shall be subject to removal from campus, cancellation of contract or other sanctions necessary, in the discretion of KWU, to address the behavior.

If a suspension is imposed on a student, it may be for part of a semester, a full semester, or an entire academic year. An employee may be suspended for any length of time determined appropriate by the Human Resources Coordinator. Following a suspension, the individual will be required to meet with the Vice President for Student Development (student) or Human Resources Coordinator (employee) to discuss re-entry and expectations going forward.

In addition, the University can make available to the victim a range of protective measures. They include: forbidding the accused from entering the victim's residence hall and from communicating with the victim, other institutional no-contact orders, security escorts, modifications to academic requirements or class schedules, changes in working situations, etc.

#### **Publicly Available Recordkeeping:**

The University will complete any publicly available recordkeeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures, without the inclusion of personally identifiable information about victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking who make reports of such to the University to the extent permitted by law.

#### Victims to Receive Written Notification of Rights:

When a student or employee reports to the University that he or she has been a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whether the offense occurred on or off campus, the University will provide the student or employee a written explanation of his or her rights and options as described in the paragraphs above.

#### Sex Offender Registration Program:

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 requires institutions of higher education to advise members of the campus community where they can obtain information provided by the state concerning registered sex offenders. It also requires sex offenders to notify the state of each institution of higher education in the state at which they are employed or enrolled or carrying on a vocation. The state is then required to notify the University of any such information it receives. Anyone interested in determining whether such persons are on this campus may do so by contacting the Vice President for Student Development at 785-833-4325. State registry of sex offender information may be accessed at the following link: <a href="https://www.kbi.ks.gov/registeredoffender/SearchOffender.aspx">https://www.kbi.ks.gov/registeredoffender/SearchOffender.aspx</a>

## **Timely Warnings and Emergency Response**

#### <u> Timely Warnings</u>

In the event of criminal activity occurring either on campus or off campus that in the judgment of the Vice President for Student Development and Director of Campus Safety constitutes a serious or continuing threat to members of the campus community, a campus-wide "timely warning" will be issued. Examples of such situations may include a sexual assault or a series of motor vehicle thefts in the area that merit a warning because they present a continuing threat to the campus community. Warnings will be communicated to students and employees via one or more of the methods discussed later in this section. Updates to the warnings will be provided as appropriate.

Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should immediately report the circumstances to:

- Human Resources, 785-833-4303
- Associate Director of Student Development, 785-833-4330
- Student Conduct and Residential Education Coordinator at 785-833-4327
- Campus Safety, 785-829-6017
- Director of Athletics, 785-833-4410
- Director of Campus Safety, 785-833-4360
- Vice President for Student Development, 785-833-4325

The University has communicated with local law enforcement asking them to notify the University if it receives reports or information warranting a timely warning.

#### Emergency Response

The University has an emergency management plan designed to ensure there is a timely and effective response in the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation occurring on campus involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of members of the campus community. Such situations include, but are not limited to: tornadoes, bomb threats, chemical spills, disease outbreaks, fires, active shooters, etc. The University has communicated with local police requesting their cooperation in informing the University about situations reported to them that may warrant an emergency response.

Students, staff and visitors are encouraged to notify the Director of Emergency Management at 785-833-4360 of any emergency or potentially dangerous situations.

The Director of Emergency Management will access available sources of information from campus administrative staff and local authorities to confirm the existence of the danger and will be responsible for initiating the institution's response and for marshaling the appropriate local emergency response

authorities for assistance. Depending on the nature of the emergency, other University departments may be involved in the confirmation process.

Once the emergency is confirmed and based on its nature, the Director of Emergency Management will consult with other appropriate University officials to determine the appropriate segment or segments of the University community to be notified.

The Director of Emergency Management in collaboration with other appropriate personnel, will determine who should be notified, and will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Depending on the segments of the campus the notification will target, the content of the notification may differ. When appropriate, the content of the notification will be determined in consultation with local authorities. Also as appropriate, the notification will give guidance as to whether its recipients should shelter in place or evacuate their location.

The Director of Emergency Management will direct the issuance of emergency notifications, which will be accomplished using one or more of methods discussed later in this section, depending on the nature of the threat and the segment of the campus community being threatened.

At the direction of the Director of Emergency Management, the University's emergency response team will notify local law enforcement of the emergency if they are not already aware of it and local media outlets in order that the larger community outside the campus will be aware of the emergency.

#### Methods for Issuing Timely Warnings and Emergency Notifications

The method(s) listed below may be utilized when the University issues a timely warning or emergency notification to the campus community.

Method	Sign-Up Instructions
Postings on doors/bulletin boards	N/A
Text messages	SafeZone: download the app and sign up using KWU email.
Emails	automatically signed up

#### Testing & Documentation

The University tests its emergency response and evacuation procedures at least once a year. The tests may be announced or unannounced. Also, at various times the Emergency Management Team will meet to train and test and evaluate the University's emergency response plan.

The Director of Emergency Management maintains a record of these tests and training exercises, including a description of them, the dates and times they were held and an indication of whether they were announced or unannounced. In connection with at least one such test, the University will distribute to its students and employees information to remind them of the University's emergency response and evacuation procedures.

## **Missing Student Policy**

If a member of the University community has reason to believe that a student who resides in on-campus housing is missing, that information should be reported immediately to the Vice President for Student Development at 785-833-4325. Anyone receiving a missing student report will immediately notify campus security (or local law enforcement, if necessary) so that an investigation can be initiated.

In addition to registering a general emergency contact, students residing in on-campus housing have the option to identify confidentially an individual to be contacted by the University only in the event the student is determined to be missing for more than 24 hours. If a student has identified such an individual, the University will notify that individual no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. The option to identify a contact person in the event the person is determined missing is in addition to identifying a general emergency contact person, but they can be the same individual for both purposes. A student's confidential contact information will be accessible only by authorized campus officials and law enforcement in the course of the investigation.

A student who wishes to designate a confidential contact may do so by contacting the Vice President for Student Development.

After investigating a missing person report, if it is determined that the student has been missing for 24 hours, the University will notify local police authorities unless it was local law enforcement that made the determination that the student is missing. If the missing student is under the age of 18 and is not emancipated, the University will also notify that student's custodial parent or legal guardian within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student.

	On Campus			On Campus Housing			Non Campus			Public Property		
Crime	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019
Murder/Non- Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## **Crime Statistics**

The statistical summary of crimes for this University over the past three calendar years follows:

	On Campus			On Campus Housing			Non Campus			Public Property		
Crime	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest - Liquor Law Violation	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest - Drug Abuse Violation	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Arrest - Weapon Violation	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
Disciplinary Referral - Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral - Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral - Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	On Ca	mpus		On Campus Housing			Non C	ampus		Public Property		
Crime	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019	2021	2020	2019
Domestic Violence	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#### Hate crimes:

- **2021:** 0 unfounded crimes.
- **2020**: No hate crimes reported.
- **2019**: No hate crimes reported.

#### **Crimes unfounded by the University:**

- **2021:** 0 unfounded crimes.
- 2020: 0 unfounded crimes.
- **2019** 0 unfounded crimes.

#### Statistics for unfounded crimes provided by law enforcement agencies:

- **2021:** 0 unfounded crimes.
- **2020**: 0 unfounded crimes.
- **2019**: 0 unfounded crimes.

#### Data from law enforcement agencies:

• The data above reflects statistics provided from law enforcement agencies related to crimes that occurred on the University's Clery Geography.

# **Annual Fire Safety Report**

## **Housing Facilities and Fire Safety Systems**

The University maintains on-campus housing for its students. Below is a description of fire safety systems and the number of fire drills conducted during the previous calendar year.

Facility	Fire Alarm Monitoring Done on Site	Partial Sprinkler System	Full Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguisher Devices	Evacuation Plans & Placards	Number of evacuation (fire) drills in previous calendar year
Pfeiffer Hall, 100 E Claflin Ave	Х			х	x	х	4
Wesley Hall, 100 E Claflin Ave	х			х	x	х	4
Wilson Hall, 100 E Claflin Ave	х			х	x	х	4
Tri-Plex, 1712 Highland				х	x		0
Upperclass House, 215 W Claflin				х	x		0
Upperclass House, 217 W Claflin				х	x		0
Upperclass House, 219 W Claflin				Х	x		0
Upperclass House, 1608 Highland				х	x		0

Campus: Kansas Wesleyan University, 100 E. Claflin Ave, Salina, KS 67401

## Policies on Portable Appliances, Smoking and Open Flames

The use of open flames, such as candles, and the burning of such things as incense, and smoking are prohibited in campus housing. Only surge-protected extension cords are permitted. Also, tampering with fire safety systems is prohibited and any such tampering may lead to appropriate disciplinary action.

The University reserves the right to make periodic inspections of campus housing to ensure fire safety systems are operational and that the policy on prohibited items is being complied with. Prohibited items, if found, will be confiscated, and donated or discarded without reimbursement.

## **Fire Evacuation Procedures**

In the event of a fire, the University expects that all campus community members will evacuate by the nearest exit, closing doors and activating the fire alarm system (if one is nearby) as they leave. If circumstances permit at the time of the alarm, additional instructions will be given regarding where students and/or staff are to relocate.

## **Fire Education and Training Programs**

Fire safety education programs for all residents of on-campus student housing and all employees with responsibilities related to that housing are held at the beginning of each semester. Their purpose is to familiarize everyone with the fire safety system in each facility, train them on procedures to follow if there is a fire and inform them of the University's fire safety policies. Information distributed includes maps of each facility's evacuation route and any fire alarms and fire suppression equipment available in the facility. Attendees are advised that participation in fire drills is mandatory and any student with a disability is given the option of having a "buddy" assigned to assist him or her.

## **Reporting Fires**

The University is required to disclose each year statistical data on all fires that occurred in on-campus student housing. When a fire alarm is pulled and/or the fire department responds to a fire, these incidents are captured. If you encounter a fire that presents an emergency situation, ensure your own safety and then please call 911.

There may also be instances when a fire is extinguished quickly and an alarm is not pulled or a response by the fire department was not necessary. It is important that these incidents be recorded as well. Therefore, if you are aware of such a fire, see evidence of one or hear about one, you should contact the Vice President for Student Development at 785-833-4325. When providing notification of a fire, give as much information as possible about the location, date, time and cause of the fire.

## **Plans for Future Improvements**

The institution periodically reviews its fire safety protections and procedures. In the short term, plans are to continue to adhere to stringent inspection, testing and maintenance of all fire safety systems, equipment, and devices. No additional upgrades are planned at this time.

## **Fire Statistics**

## <u>2021</u>

No fires were reported in 2021

## <u>2020</u>

No fires were reported in 2020.

## <u>2019</u>

No fires were reported in 2019.