

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Welcome back to Assumption College as we start the **2016-2017** academic year. The Department of Public Safety/Campus Police is located in the lower level of the Kennedy Memorial Hall. This location offers handicap accessibility and allows us to enhance our customer service goals for you to obtain parking permits or student ID's efficiently. The Department of Public Safety/Campus Police provides a comprehensive program of police, security, crime prevention, fire safety and emergency medical services to help ensure that the college community remains a safe and pleasant place, conducive to a learning environment.

For your safety, Assumption College secures all exterior doors to all residence halls 24 hours -7 days per week. Please lock your room doors and refrain from pegging or propping doors as this affects everyone's right to be safe on campus. It may appear inconvenient, but remember, this is for everyone's safety. Although we consider our community to be a safe one, being careless or inconsiderate of others only invites trouble.

Alcohol abuse on college campuses is the #1 precursor for trouble. Besides having a negative impact on grades, alcohol and drug abuse directly contribute to violations of college rules and regulations. Substance abuse often results in criminal charges, including arrest and prosecution for crimes such as disorderly conduct, malicious destruction to property, assault and battery, and sexual assaults to name just a few. Please be responsible; don't become a campus statistic.

Assumption College continues to be extremely proud of its campus safety record. Nevertheless, safety depends, to a large extent, on the cooperation and involvement of this community. Each of us must assume a personal responsibility by taking precautions to prevent becoming a victim. Well-marked emergency telephones are located throughout the campus and should be used to report crimes or other types of emergencies. Students are encouraged to report crimes and suspicious activities immediately to campus police at extension #7225, or in the event of an emergency, dial #7777. Calls are answered 24-hours a day by a trained Communications Dispatcher. The Department of Public Safety maintains direct telephone contact with the Worcester Police, Fire, and ambulance services to ensure prompt assistance and from these agencies when needed. The TTY number for hearing impaired persons is 9-711. **New this fall, the College is providing access to the [RAVE Guardian App](#) which is available free of charge by the College, as part of our on-going efforts to improve campus safety.**

The men and women of Campus Police are dedicated to the principles of Community Policing and to the goal of maintaining the campus as a safe and pleasant place in which to live, work, and study. A truly safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of all.

The information on our website is designed to inform, advise, and alert our students of the current programs and policies related to crime awareness and reporting procedures at Assumption College. Please refer to our website <http://www.assumption.edu/campus-life/public-safety> or the **My Assumption Portal-College Resources tab Public Safety-** for information, alerts, policies and other Public Safety related issues.

Remember, it is your responsibility to be familiar with the Assumption College rules and regulations.

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