Safety and Security Information

Compliance with Public Law 101-542

In accordance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act (Public Law 101-542), Mount Mary College is providing this information on campus security and crime statistics. This publication is updated annually. Further information can be obtained through the Mount Mary College Security Office.

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The department maintains a good working relationship with the Milwaukee Police Department and other local authorities. Campus security officers are CPR certified and trained in basic first aid.

Security personnel are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Access to security is simple, fast, and effective. Officers may be contacted at any time through their digital pagers or walkie-talkies. In urgent situations, students and employees are instructed to dial 345 from any campus phone and an operator will initiate the emergency response system by contacting the Security Office.

Any incident on campus involving a crime should be immediately reported to the Security Office. Security officers will assist those in need and contact the proper local authorities.

Parking Regulations

Parking regulations are also under the jurisdiction of the Mount Mary Security Office. Mount Mary College maintains well-lit parking lots for students, employees, and visitors.

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Sexual Assault Policy

Sexual assault perpetrated on any individual at Mount Mary College will not be tolerated and will be met with disciplinary action up to and including immediate employment termination and student dismissal. Discipline may be imposed upon finding of a probable violation of College rules. If necessary, measures will be taken to separate the alleged assailant from the victim.

Students who are assaulted are urged to promptly report the crime to the police and either the Associate Dean for Student Affairs, the Coordinator of Residential Living, or Campus Security (ext. 345).

Sexual assault is defined as any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will, or not forcibly or against the person’s will where the victim is incapable of giving consent, and includes forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object and forcible fondling. Non-forcible sex offenses are acts of “unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse,” and include incest and statutory rape. Depending on the circumstances, acquaintance rape could be in either category.

The Associate Dean for Student Affairs, the Coordinator of Residential Living, the Director of Security, or a Mount Mary Crisis Team member will discuss with the victim the range of resources and alternatives available to her/him. Referrals regarding who should be contacted with requests for changes in academic, living, or work situations by those who have been a victim of a sexual assault can be provided.

Mount Mary College Security offers educational seminars on prevention of date rape, crime prevention and personal safety. Other services offered by Campus Security include safety escorts and assistance in enforcing restraining orders.

Drug and Alcohol Policies

Mount Mary College maintains a drug-free work place policy. Students and employees are prohibited from possessing, using, distributing and/or selling narcotics and other illegal substances on campus.

Alcohol may be consumed by people of legal drinking age only in designated areas of Mount Mary College. Alcoholic beverages may not be sold on campus without appropriate licensing.

Specifics of the campus drug and alcohol policy are found in the student handbook published at the start of each academic year.

Student Responsibilities

Mount Mary College is proud of its campus and the low crime rate enjoyed by the campus community. But as a part of a larger urban community, the safety and security of our students, both on and off campus, is an ongoing concern.

Students play a large role in the success of any security program. Open communication with the Security Office is essential. Students are asked to report any suspicious individuals or unusual activity on campus to the Security Office immediately.

Students are also expected to take reasonable precautions against crime in their day-to-day activities. Rooms with valuable equipment should be locked. Cars should be parked and locked in designated areas only and keys should not be left in cars. Walking alone in deserted areas should be avoided.

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Residence Hall Security

Caroline Hall is a residence for women. Guests of resident students are welcome during regular visiting hours. Visiting hours are posted in the lobby of Caroline Hall. All guests must register at the registration desk where they will be issued a pass. Guests must be escorted by a resident at all times and maintain possession of the visitor pass at all times. Residents are responsible for the actions of their guests.

Accommodations for overnight guests can be made through the residence hall director. Overnight male guests are not allowed to stay in residents’ rooms under any circumstances.

Photo ID badges are issued by the college to workers having business in the residence hall. Students noticing strangers in the residence area without a Mount Mary photo ID badge or a numbered pass should immediately contact the Security Office.

Doors to the residence hall are locked at 11:00 p.m. during regular academic sessions. Outside doors to the residence hall are self-locking and are monitored at night by a security officer posted in the lobby of Caroline Hall. All rooms in the residence hall are equipped with locks and students are expected to lock their rooms at all times, but especially while sleeping and when not present. Residence hall room keys are the sole property of Mount Mary College and may not be duplicated or shared.

All resident rooms are equipped with smoke detectors for safety. Students are prohibited from tampering with smoke detectors or removing smoke detector batteries.

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