



Missing Student Procedures

If an individual has reason to believe that a residential student has been missing for 24 hours, they should immediately report the situation to Campus Safety and Security at 410-516-7777. Individuals who are concerned about someone who has not been missing for 24 hours but has failed to return to his/her residence are encouraged to contact the respective campus security office to report the situation.

In addition to registering a general emergency contact, students residing in campus housing will be informed annually that each student has the option to identify one or more confidential missing person contacts. If designated, the missing person contact(s) will be notified by the University no later than 24 hours after the time the student is determined to be missing by either the designated campus official(s) authorized to make that determination or local law enforcement. This confidential information is accessible only to authorized campus officials who have the responsibility of notification as well as law enforcement officers in furtherance of a missing person investigation.

In the case that the missing student is under the age of 18 and not emancipated, his or her custodial parent(s) or guardian(s) will be notified within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated by the student.

In all cases, local law enforcement will be notified within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing even if the student is above the age of 18, is an emancipated minor, or has not provided a missing person contact, unless local law enforcement made the determination that the student was missing. The University will provide the necessary information to assist in locating the missing student.

If the circumstances related to a student's disappearance appear to be related to foul play, i.e., kidnapping or other criminal acts, then the appropriate notifications and actions will be initiated immediately, even if the student has been missing for less than 24 hours.