

UAB Campus Watcher

An update of the UAB Police Department | Editor: Bethany Nixon | Campus Watch Coordinator: Tonya Webb



WHAT IS CAMPUS WATCH?

Campus Watch is a program sponsored by the UAB Police Department that applies the Neighborhood Watch concept to the campus and medical center environment. The program encourages UAB students, faculty and staff to take an active role in the fight against crime.

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Campus Watch Meetings 2014 PHB Room 204

- Feb. 11
- May. 13
- Aug. 12
- Oct. 14

2014 Police Advisory Meetings PHB Room 204, 1 p.m.

- Feb. 18
- May 20
- Aug. 19
- Nov. 11

2014 Campus Watch Display 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

- March 12
Hospital Safety Fair
North Pavilion 1st & 2nd floor

Suits 4 Success

6:30-10:30 a.m.

- Feb. 10-14
Whitaker Building lobby



*Blazer Eyes Are
Watching You*

A safe, secure campus is a community effort

UAB Police Department works hard to ensure our campus is safe, and they encourage everyone to be alert, cautious and look out for others. Together we can ensure that our community is safe.

Recognize your vulnerability:

- Use the buddy system and watch out for others.
- Stay away from isolated areas.
- Report lights that are out and any hazardous conditions.
- Report any suspicious people or vehicles to UAB or local police.
- Never leave your drink unattended.
- If you think your drink has been tampered with, let someone know; seek medical help.
- Never drink and drive; always have a designated driver.

If you are followed:

- Cross the street or change directions.
- Keep looking back so the person knows you are aware of them.
- Go to a well-lit area. Enter a building, hall, classroom — anywhere there are people.
- Notice and remember details about the person so you can give a good description later.

If you are held up:

- Don't resist. No amount of money is worth taking chances with your life.
- Notify the UAB or local police immediately. Try to give a description that includes approximate age, height, weight, hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos — anything noticeable.

If you are driving:

- Always lock your car and take the keys with you — every time.
- Never hide a spare key in or around the vehicle.
- Do not leave valuables in open sight; secure them in the trunk.
- Never leave registration and insurance papers in vehicle.
- At night, park in well-lighted areas if possible.
- Report any suspicious behavior in parking lots to UAB or local police.

Personal safety:

- Program emergency numbers in your phone.
- Don't leave personal belongings unattended anywhere public. Period.
- Never prop open doors, even for a short time.
- Lock your door every time you leave.
- Engrave expensive equipment and valuables with an I.D. number.
- Don't store purses in an unlocked desk drawer or closet.
- Don't pick up hitchhikers.
- Be assertive in setting boundaries in a relationship.
- Only go to well-populated public places when you are getting to know someone.

Sexual violence is a crime. No means no, but silence also means no. Silence and passivity do not equal consent. Respect for another member of the community is an expectation that all members are expected to uphold at all times, including in the context of sexual interaction. Respect means paying heed to verbal and non-verbal cues, desires, boundaries and behaviors of others.

CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS

- UAB Campus Watch
- UAB Police Advisory Board
- Rape Aggression Defense
- Pedestrian Safety Campaign
- Get Mugged Campaign
- Workplace & Domestic Violence
- Personal Safety Awareness Seminar

For information, call 934-2409 or go to www.uab.edu/police

POLICE DEPARTMENT RESOURCES

UAB Police Department
1117 14th Street South
Birmingham, AL 35205-2130

Emergency 934-3535

Non-Emergency: 934-4434

Chief: 934-2297

Lost & Found: 934-4649

Records & Reports Information
Fax: 975-6472
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Special Lock & Unlock Requests
934-5315

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We can eliminate gender discrimination and violence from our classrooms and campus

Challenge language.

Say no

- to language that insults someone based on their gender.
- to words that are demeaning to others.
- to phrases like, "You cry like a girl."

Say yes to critical thinking about why insults based on gender are so common and so hurtful.

Encourage a healthier culture.

- Discuss how women and men are represented in popular culture, and actively challenge those limiting images.
- Encourage boys and men not to see women as objects, and demand they not treat women as inferior.

Challenge ideas (especially those about masculinity) that encourage toughness, aggression and non-compassionate behavior.

Respond to violence and discrimination.

- Openly challenge the ways that our culture accepts discriminatory and violent behavior
- Respond to victims of violence and discrimination by saying:
 - I'm so sorry this happened to you.
 - It's not your fault.
 - What can I do to help?
- Never allow discriminatory or violent behavior to go unchecked.

Adapted from 2010 We End Violence v2.1201



The UAB Campus Watcher newsletter is available at several locations around the UAB campus. If you would like to obtain a copy or have questions or comments, please contact **Tonya Webb** at 934-2409. If you would like more information about Campus Watch or about the UAB Police Department, you may visit us at www.uab.edu/police.