

TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER DALLAS CAMPUS ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT - 2009

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Texas A&M Health Science Center – Baylor College of Dentistry Campus is dedicated to providing a safe and secure campus environment for all students, faculty, staff, and guests. This information has been prepared to ensure that The Texas A&M Health Science Center-Dallas Campus is in compliance with the federal guidelines under the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1999. This report includes crime statistics for the previous three years that occurred on campus, and on public property adjacent to and accessible from the campus. Crime statistics are collected from the Dallas Police Department, Dallas County Sheriff's Department.

Information on obtaining a copy of the annual security report is made available to all students, prospective students, employees, and prospective employees by email with a link to the Crimes Statistics webpage. The report is distributed throughout campus, available upon request from the Dallas Security office, and available on the Texas A&M Health Science Center Security website.

Campus Security (Jurisdiction, Enforcement, Arrest Powers)

It is the mission of the Dallas Security office to provide security in a manner which should ensure an environment which is best suited for an institution of higher education. Dallas Security enforces the TAMU System rules and regulations on campus. Dallas Security reports to the Director, Security Administration. The Dallas Police Department is the sole law enforcement authority on the Dallas campus. Dallas Security is located in the Main building at 3302 Gaston Ave. Dallas, TX 75246, and is ready to assist twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year.

Dallas Security employs non-commissioned security officers. Dallas security officers enforce the rules and regulations of Texas A&M Health Science Center. Dallas Security Department responds to all criminal activity on campus. The Dallas Police Department has full arrest powers on campus and is authorized to carry firearms. The Dallas Security officers conduct preventive patrol throughout the building.

Interagency Relationships

The Dallas Security Department maintains a working relationship with the Dallas Police Department, Dallas County Sheriff's Department, Baylor University Medical Center Police Department and other local, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

Crime Prevention and Awareness Programs

The TAMU University Police Department and Dallas Police Department have Specialized Services divisions that are available to conducted many different presentations. These presentations are held upon requests of faculty, staff and student organizations. Some of these programs include:

- Personal Safety
- Sexual Assault Prevention
- Alcohol/Drug Awareness
- Hazing
- Protecting Personal Property against Theft and Burglary
- Operation I.D.
- Workplace Safety

As part of the crime prevention program, the Dallas Security Department offers security surveys for work spaces.

Crime Reporting Procedures

The campus community (faculty, staff, and students) is encouraged to report all crimes to the Security Department in a timely manner. Crimes should be reported to Security to ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics. Security officers are available twenty four hours a day, year round. Crimes can be reported to the Security Department by any of the following means:

- Call the Security at 214-828-8335 or go to the Security Desk in person.

Students who prefer to do so may contact any of the following "Campus Security Authorities" which are designated by the Crime Awareness Act:

- Security Office.....214-828-8335
- Human Resources.....214-828-8289
- Office of Student Affairs.....214-828-8210
- 9-911 should be utilized to report any life threatening emergency.

Confidential Reporting

Members of the campus community may confidentially report incidents in which they are victims or witnesses to any campus security authority for inclusion in the annual crime statistics. It may not be possible for campus security to investigate crimes that are reported anonymously or confidentially.

When to Call Security

- All Emergencies including medical, fire, and accidents.
- A firearm or weapon is seen in a room or on a person.
- Someone is displaying any type of unusual behavior.
- Someone states he/she wishes to hurt themselves or others.
- Suspicious persons in suspicious places.
- You or someone else is threatened with violence.
- You or someone you know is a victim of violence.
- Someone is harassing/stalking you or someone you know.
- A stranger entering your co-worker's workspace when you know they are gone.
- A person screaming (it may indicate they need help).
- Anyone looking into car window or trying door handles.
- The sound of breaking glass or other loud noises they may indicate an accident or other crime.
- Persons loitering around the building.
- Someone forcing entry into the building, car or vending machine.
- Anytime you feel unsafe or notice something that does not appear right.

Information Needed By Security

- What happened?
- When?

- **Where?**
- **Is anyone injured?**
- **Vehicle description and if possible the license number**
- **Direction of flight**
- **Description of persons (including clothing)**
- **When describing suspects, notice age, race, sex, height, and weight. Compare your weight and height with the suspect's. Pick out some unique characteristics that will help you identify the suspect in the future.**

Security Response

The Dallas Security responds to all emergencies and investigates all reports of criminal activity that occur on campus.

The Dallas Police Department may respond to any criminal offense on campus. Their responses include but are not limited to the following:

- **Investigation of reports following DPD procedures.**
- **Arrest, file charges with the appropriate courts when such action is necessary.**
- **Reports involving students will be forwarded to the Judicial Affairs office for review and potential judicial action.**

When a Serious Crime Occurs (Timely Warnings)

When a serious crime occurs on campus that represents an immediate threat to the campus, the Dallas Security Administration will publicize a warning. Timely Warnings will be distributed via e-mail, and Security Administration website.

Emergency Response and Immediate Warning

Texas A&M Health Science Center is committed to providing a safe environment for the campus community, which includes students, faculty, staff, and guests. Due to past incidents of violence and critical emergencies on campuses across the country, The Texas A&M Health Science Center has a campus notification system known as HSC-ALERT (E2Campus). In the event of an immediate threat to the health or safety of the campus community the security office will activate HSC-ALERT immediately, without any delay. This system encompasses several means of notifying the campus community. Emergency information and instructions will be sent via text messaging to cell phones, audio messages to office and classroom phones, and campus wide emails. Warnings will only be withheld if they compromise the efforts to contain the emergency. The campus community is encouraged to keep their personal contact information current. The E2Campus system is periodically tested throughout the year. Information on this system is made via email three times a year before each test.

Securing of Campus Facilities

The facilities of the Dallas Campus are well maintained. Students, faculty, and staff at Dallas Campus have access to all academic and administrative facilities. Access to private offices and certain other areas are restricted through the issuance of keys. Visitors to the campus have access to those areas officially opened for treatment, study, work, or related functions. Dallas Security officers patrol the facility and closely monitor the security of the campus to assure that no unauthorized persons have access during or after closing hours. The Dallas Security Office is located in Room 22 of the basement, 3302 Gaston Ave. Dallas, TX 75246. Dallas Security recognizes and honors the badges of all Health Science Center institutions and hospitals when presented.

Security Considerations Used in Maintenance

The Dallas Security Office works closely with other departments to maintain a safe campus. Maintenance personnel repair locks and doors that are not working properly. Campus security checks the campus lighting on a regular basis and informs Facilities Services of all non-working lights. The campus community is encouraged to report all safety concerns to Security, Facilities Services or the Environmental Health and Safety Officer.

Weapons/Alcohol/Drugs

Weapons

The use, possession, or carrying of any kind of firearm on the property of an institution of Higher Education is a violation of state laws and Texas A&M Health Science Center regulations. Violations may result in an Arrest, and/or suspension from the Health Science Center. The only exceptions are for authorized law enforcement officers.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE

The Texas A&M Health Science Center prohibits the illicit use, sale, attempted sale, conveyance, distribution, manufacture, cultivation, dispensation, purchase, attempted purchase, and possession of illegal drugs, intoxicants, or controlled substances, at any time and in any amount or in any manner. Illicit drugs include all drugs for which possession is illegal under federal or state law, including prescription drugs for which the individual does not have a valid prescription.

The purchase, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in facilities under the control of the HSC shall in all respects comply with state laws and with guidelines as defined in System Policy 34.03 and System Regulation 34.02.01. Misconduct may result in arrest, and/or Texas A&M Health Science Center disciplinary action and penalties. Among the violations that could result in penalties are:

- The purchase, consumption, possession, or transportation of alcoholic beverages by anyone under the age of twenty-one.
- The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to anyone under the age of twenty-one.
- Public Intoxication as defined by Texas Penal Code 49.02

Consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be limited to the designated areas and shall be subject to all requirements of state law, local laws, and Texas A&M Health Science Center regulations. Any use of alcoholic beverages should be in moderation. Loud or disruptive behaviors, interference with cleanliness of facilities, or drinking habits that are harmful to the health or education of an individual or those around him/her are reasons for appropriate disciplinary action by the Texas A&M Health Science Center.

Drugs

The use, possession, consumption, sale, manufacture, or furnishing of illicit drugs and narcotics, including marijuana and drug paraphernalia, is prohibited by state law and Texas A&M Health Science Center regulations. Violations may result in arrest and or suspension from the TAMHSC for a definite period of time.

Substance Abuse Programs

Contact the Alcohol and Drug Education Programs, Office of Student Affairs at (214) 828-8210.

Sexual Assault

Sexual Assault (Rape) is a non-consensual sexual act involving force, manipulation, or coercion. It is an act of aggression, violence, and power and is a felony crime under Texas Penal Code 22.011. The perpetrator can be either a stranger, acquaintance, relative, or date.

Reporting Procedures

If a sexual offense occurs on campus, the victim has the option and will be encouraged to notify the Dallas Police Department. Assistance with notifying the police will be provided by campus authorities if desired by the victim. It is important for the victim to receive prompt medical attention and for evidence to be preserved. The victim will be notified of existing counseling services on campus as well as off-campus services such as the Women's Shelter. If a sexual offense occurs off campus, the victim will need to report the offense to the local

police department; however, the victim can still receive assistance from on campus resources including counseling.

What to do if you are a victim of Sexual Assault

- Do not destroy evidence by bathing, douching, washing hands, brushing teeth, changing clothes or linens, eating or drinking. It is important to preserve evidence to assist in the investigation.
- Notify a friend or family member to help you collect your thoughts. Call the Dallas Police Department (9-911) or Security, who in turn will contact DPD.
- Seek medical attention in the ER of a local hospital. You need to have a sexual assault exam even if you decide not to press charges. The exam is used to collect evidence as well as to assure you that you did not sustain injuries, which may not be visible.
- Seek counseling. The office of Student Affairs can provide referral to off-site counselors when needed.

What happens when the Police respond

- Police officers will respond immediately.
- The police will gather information from the victim and collect all evidence.
- The police will encourage the victim to seek medical attention and will arrange transportation.
- An investigator will interview the victim.
- The DPD's crime victim's liaison will be available to assist the victim.
- In ALL cases the victim will be treated with compassion, consideration, understanding, and patience during the interview.
- Security will make every attempt to maintain the confidentiality of the victim.
- Even if no criminal charges are filed, information gathered and evidence obtained by the police can be used in University disciplinary action if the assailant is a student.

Disciplinary Actions for Alleged Sexual Offenses

The Office of Vice President for Student Affairs conducts campus disciplinary proceedings in cases of alleged sexual offenses. Possible sanctions to be imposed following the determination of an on-campus disciplinary procedure regarding rape, acquaintance rape, or other sex offenses, forcible or non-forcible, include the appropriate action such as loss of privileges, block of enrollment, probation, suspension, dismissal or expulsion. Accusers and the accused are both entitled to have others present during the disciplinary proceedings and the accuser and accused will be informed of the outcome of the disciplinary proceeding.

Sexual Assault Programs

The Dallas Police Department offers special programs throughout the year to raise awareness about Sexual Assault. These programs are sponsored by the Dallas Police Department and through Campus Security.

Sex Offender Registration

Information regarding sex offenders can be found on the Texas A&M Health Science Center – Dallas Security website by clicking the link provided below, or through links connected to the Texas Dept. of Public Safety website.

https://records.txdps.state.tx.us/DPS_WEB/SorNew/index.aspx

Victim's Assistance

The Dallas Police Department has a crime victim's liaison available for victims of crime. The liaison provides guidance to victim's with medical, emotional, or financial needs, and makes referrals to the appropriate

counseling agencies. The liaison assists and provides information to the victim during criminal investigations. For more information or to contact the victim's liaison call 214-825-4444 or 214-825-3791.

Important Phone Numbers

- Security Office.....214-828-8335
- Human Resources.....214-828-8289
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Personal Safety Tips

Have a personal safety plan; know what you are going to do in the event of an emergency. (What if game)

- Keep all contact information current.
- When going out, go with a friend, arrive together and leave together.
- Walk purposely. Be Confident. Look Confident. Stay Alert.
- Avoid dark and isolated areas. Use well-traveled routes.
- Change your daily routine, use different routes to and from class/work.
- Lock all doors and windows when leaving your vehicle, even for just a few minutes.
- Have your keys ready when you approach your vehicle or home. Check the area before entering.
- Do not enter if you notice anything suspicious or out of place.
- Don't keep large sums of money on your person or in your residence.
- Lock all doors and windows to your residence even if you are only leaving for a short while.
- Do not advertise that you are not home by leaving notes on your front door or answering machines stating you are not home.
- Let someone know where you are going to be, especially if you are going to be out late at night.

Fire Safety Report

The Texas A&M Health Science Center does not utilize any on-campus housing for its students and is not required by federal law to provide a Fire Safety Report.

CAMPUS SAFETY SUMMARY 2009
TEXAS A&M HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
DALLAS, TEXAS CAMPUS

Crime Stats 2009
January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009

Offense	On Campus	On Campus Housing	Public Property	Off Campus Bldg./ Property	Total
Murder	0		0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0		0	0	0
Arson	0		0	0	0
Burglary	0		0	0	0
Manslaughter	0		0	0	0
Murder	0		0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0		0	0	0
Robbery	0		0	0	0
Sexual Offense Forcible	0		0	0	0
Sexual Offense Non-forcible	0		0	0	0
Drug Law Arrest	0		0	0	0
Drug Law Referral	0		0	0	0
Liquor Law Arrest	0		0	0	0
Liquor Law Referral	0		0	0	0
Weapon Law Arrest	0		0	0	0
Weapon Law Referral	0		0	0	0
Hate Crimes					
Race	0		0	0	0
Gender	0		0	0	0
Religion	0		0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0		0	0	0
Ethnicity	0		0	0	0
Disability	0		0	0	0

Crime Stats 2008
January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

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Ethnicity	0		0	0	0
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Crime Stats 2007
January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007

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Murder	0		0	0	0
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