

**EVANGEL UNIVERSITY / AGTS  
ANNUAL SAFETY AND FIRE REPORT 2021**

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In compliance with *the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Additionally*, the Annual Security Report includes the *Security and Crime Statistics Act*, the Director of Public Safety is designated as the Campus Security Survey Administrator, who is responsible for the preparation of the Annual Security Report (consisting of campus security policy disclosures and campus crime statistics for the previous three calendar years) and its submission by October 1 to the U.S. Department of Education.

This Annual Security Report is prepared in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies surrounding our campus, as well as Evangel University's Student Development Division, which provides updated information on the University's educational programs and policy disclosures conducted in order to comply with the Clery Act.

Additionally, the Annual Security Report includes the frequency of occurrence of certain categories of crimes specified in the Clery Act to include *Murder, Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle Theft, Arson, Weapons Violations, Drug Abuse Violations, and Liquor Law Violations*.

These crime statistics are collected by the Director of Public Safety from the following sources: incident reports written by EU Public Safety officers; information that may be provided by the Springfield Police Department, Missouri Highway Patrol and/or the Greene County Sheriff's Department; reports provided by victims of campus crime; and reports provided by EU officials designated as "Campus Security Authorities" (including, but not limited to: vice presidents, directors, department heads, Community Life Department staff, athletic coaches, and faculty/staff advisors to student organizations). Once Evangel University's crime statistics report has been submitted to the U.S. Department of Education and reviewed by that staff, the Department of Education will make that data available to the general public at <http://ope.ed.gov/security>.

It is the policy of Evangel University that the Vice President for Student Development or designee shall distribute by electronic mail, to all enrolled students, faculty and staff, the appropriate hyperlink to the Annual Security Report; that the Human Resources Director will notify prospective employees of the availability of the report; and that the Admissions Director will notify all prospective students of the availability of the report.

The Annual Security Report also includes:

- Policies regarding procedures and facilities for students and others to report criminal actions or other emergencies on campus and regarding the University's response to such reports.
- Policies concerning security of and access to campus facilities, including campus housing.
- Campus security policies, including enforcement authority, and policies encouraging prompt and accurate criminal reporting.
- Description of the types of programs designed to educate and inform students and employees about campus security procedures and crime prevention procedures.
- Annual reporting of statistics concerning the occurrence of Clery reportable crimes on campus property and other properties used by students under campus control as required by the Clery Act.
- Policy regarding possession, use and sale of alcoholic beverages and enforcement of state underage drinking laws.
- Policy regarding possession, use and sale of illegal drugs and enforcement of federal and state drugs laws.
- Campus sexual assault programs and procedures to prevent sex offenses.
- Where registered sex offenders may be obtained.
- Information regarding missing student notification procedures.

The Annual Security Report for Evangel University can be viewed at the following web site: <http://www.evangel.edu/offices/student-development/public-safety/>

Copies of the Annual Security Report may also be obtained by contacting:

Director of Public Safety Evangel University Springfield, Mo 65802  
(417) 575-8911

**Evangel University and the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary (AGTS) use combined crime and fire statistical reporting:**

Evangel University and the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary (AGTS) have merged into one school, but due to a technicality in the way the Department of Education views each institution as separate, both must complete an Annual Safety and Fire report, though due to the geography of AGTS being on the Evangel campus and sharing resources such as residential facilities the statistics for crime and fire statistics are combined in both school's reports.

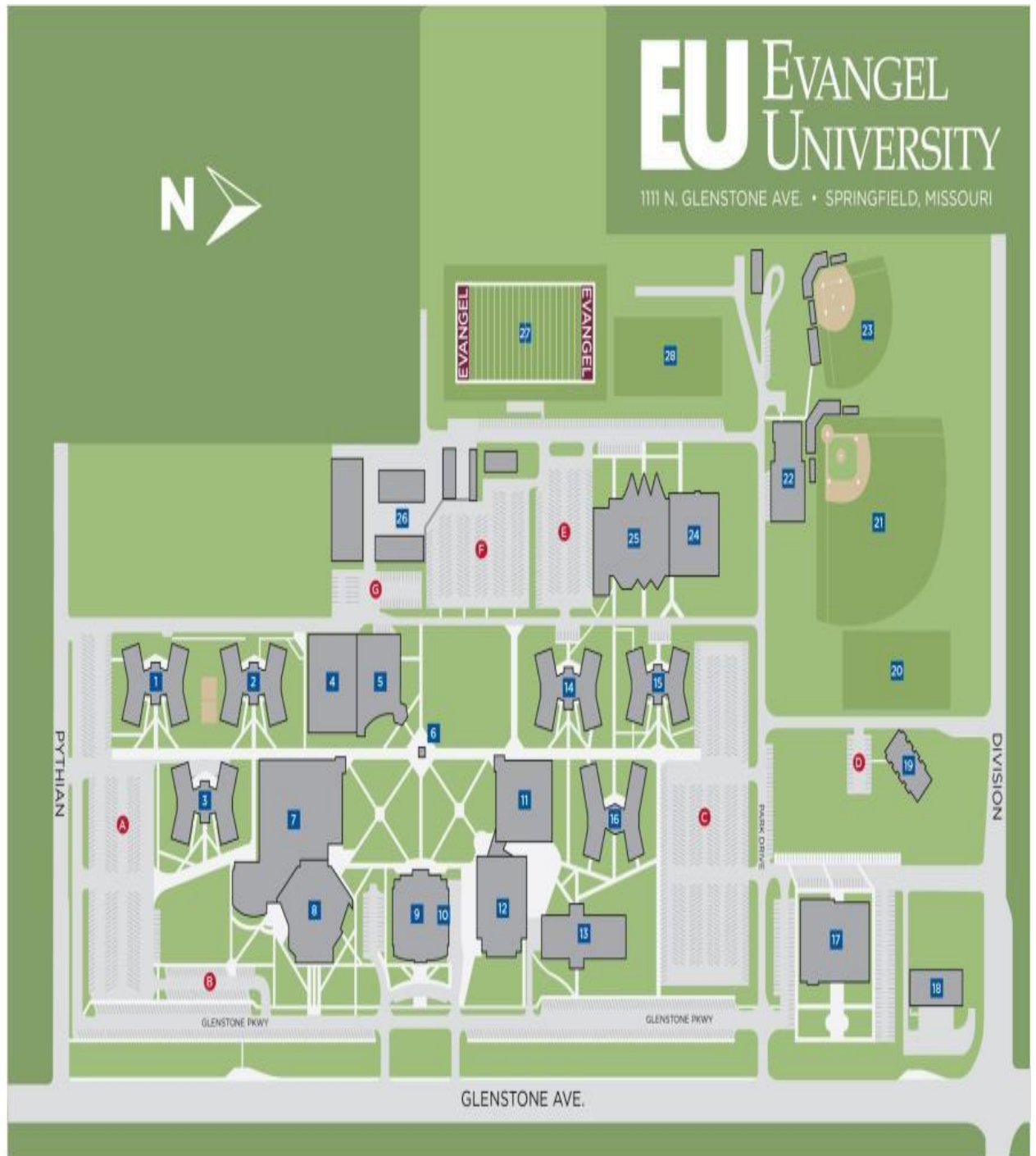
Map of Evangel / AGTS Campus

**EU CAMPUS**

- 1 SPENCE HALL
- 2 WALTHER HALL
- 3 SCOTT HALL
- 4 CRUSADER DINING HALL
- 5 JOUST-STUDENT UNION
- 6 CLOCK TOWER
- 7 BARNETT FINE ARTS BUILDING
- 8 SPENCE CHAPEL
- 9 RIGGS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
- 10 SECURITY
- 11 TRASK HALL
- 12 ZIMMERMAN HALL
- 13 KLAUDE KENDRICK LIBRARY
- 14 KRAUSE HALL
- 15 BURGESS HALL
- 16 LEWIS HALL
- 17 AGTS
- 18 AGTS GYMNASIUM
- 19 PERKIN APARTMENTS
- 20 LOWER INTRAMURAL FIELD
- 21 BASEBALL FIELD
- 22 BASEBALL FIELDHOUSE
- 23 SOFTBALL FIELD
- 24 MABEE STUDENT FITNESS CENTER
- 25 ASHCROFT CENTER
- 26 PHYSICAL PLANT
- 27 CORYELL FIELD
- 28 UPPER INTRAMURAL FIELD

**PARKING LOTS**

- A SOUTH STUDENT
- B SOUTH GUEST & FACULTY
- C NORTH STUDENT
- D PERKIN
- E WEST STUDENT
- F WEST FACULTY
- G PHYSICAL PLANT



**Murder and non-negligent manslaughter:** The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

**Manslaughter by Negligence:** The killing of another person through gross negligence.

**Sexual Assault:** Any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. For Clery Act reporting, the following are types of sexual assault:

**The State of Missouri classifies the crime of rape:**

**Rape:** The penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

**Statutory Rape :** Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent. (RSMo 566.032 and 566.034)

**Robbery:** The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear. (RSMo 570.023 and 570.025)

**Aggravated Assault:** An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. The state of Missouri classifies aggravated assault as *Assault, First Degree*, (RSMo 565.050).

**Burglary:** The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. Missouri State Statute (RSMo 569.160 & 569.170)

**Motor vehicle theft:** The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. Missouri classifies the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle under State Statute *Tampering* in the first and second degree (RSMo 569.080 & 569.090).

**Arson:** Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle, aircraft, or other personal other personal property of another. Missouri State Statutes (RSMo 569.040, 569.050 and 569.053) covers the crime of arson.

**Aggravated Assault:** An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

**Intimidation:** to unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm using threatening words and / or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.

**Simple assault:** An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

**Destruction, damage, or vandalism of property:** to willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

[Missouri's Hate offenses law \(RSMo 557.035\)](#)

**Hate offenses — provides enhanced penalties for motivational factors in certain offenses. —**

1. For all violations of subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 569.100 or subdivision (1), (2), (3), (4), (6), (7) or (8) of subsection 1 of section 571.030, which the state believes to be knowingly motivated because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or disability of the victim or victims, the state may charge the offense or offenses under this section, and the violation is a class D felony.

For all violations of section 565.054; subdivisions (1), (3) and (4) of subsection 1 of section 565.090; subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 569.090; subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 569.120; section 569.140; or section 574.050; which the state believes to be knowingly motivated because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or disability of the victim or victims, the state may charge the offense or offenses under this section, and the violation is a class E felony.

2. The court shall assess punishment in all the cases in which the state pleads and proves any of the motivating factors listed in this section.

**Drug Abuse Violations:** The violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance.

**Liquor Law Violations:** Violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness

**Weapons Law Violations:** the violation of laws or ordinances dealing with weapon offenses, regulatory in nature, such as manufacture, sale or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; furnishing deadly weapons to minors; aliens possessing deadly weapons; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

## **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA)**

In accordance with the Violence Against Women Act, statistics on dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking are reportable under the Clery Act since March 7, 2014.

**Dating violence:** Violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

**Domestic violence:** A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed (i) by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim; (ii) by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; (iii) by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; (iv) by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred ; (v) by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

**Stalking:** Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to (i) fear for the person's safety or the safety of others; or (ii) suffer substantial emotional distress.

### **Evangel University—Clery Act Statistical Summary**

Reported in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. Data sources include Evangel Public Safety, Springfield Missouri Police Department, Greene County Sheriff Department, Missouri Highway Patrol.



Total Crimes Reported For:	Evangel Main Campus (Residential and Total)						Non-Campus Building or Property			Public Property			Total			
	2018		2019		2020		2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	
Offense Type (Includes attempts)	Res.	Total	Res.	Total	Res.	Total										
	<b>Murder</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Manslaughter</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
<b>Sex Offenses</b>	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Robbery</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Burglary</b>	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
<b>Arson</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	1

Offense Type	Evangel Main Campus						Non-Campus			Public Property			Total		
	2018		2019		2020		2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2020
	Residential	Total	Residential	Total	Residential	Total									

Stalking	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Number of Arrests/Referrals for Disciplinary Action - Selected Offenses

Offense Type (Includes attempts)	Evangel University Main Campus						Non-Campus			Public Property			Total		
	2018		2019		2020		2018	2019	2020	2018	2019	2021	2018	2019	2020
	Res.	Total	Res.	Total	Res.	Total									
<b>Liquor Law Violations</b>															
Arrest	0	1*	0	0	0	0	0	1*	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Referral for Discipline	1	1	3	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
<b>Drug Law Violations</b>															
Arrest	0	0	0	1*	0	0	0	0	0	2*	0	0	3	0	0
Referral for Discipline	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
<b>Weapon Law Violations</b>															
Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referral for	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

\*The 2019 Liquor law arrest was from a police traffic stop of a non-Evangel person, which stopped in front of or on EU property.

### HATE CRIMES:

2018: No hate crimes reported  
 2019: No hate crimes reported  
 2020: No hate crimes reported

### UNFOUNDED CASES:

2018: No crimes reclassified  
 2019: No crimes reclassified  
 2020: No crimes reclassified

## **EVANGEL /AGTS Public Safety Authority**

Evangel University Department of Public Safety officers have the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at Evangel University. Evangel University Department of Public Safety officers have the authority to issue parking tickets and traffic citations. Public Safety officers do not possess arrest power and are not commissioned police officers. Public Safety officer's jurisdiction is comprised of property owned and/or controlled by Evangel University. Criminal incidents are referred to Springfield Police Department who have jurisdiction on the campus. The Department of Public Safety at Evangel University maintains a highly professional working relationship with the Springfield Police Department. Evangel University does not have a formal Memo of Understanding with the Springfield Police Department. All crime victims and witnesses are strongly encouraged to immediately report the crime to the Department of Public Safety at ext. 7000 or (417) 575-8911 and to the Springfield Police Department. Prompt reporting will assure timely warning notices on campus and timely disclosure of crime statistics.

## **Procedures for Reporting Criminal Offenses**

Students, faculty, staff, and guests are encouraged to report all crimes to the Springfield Police Department and to the Department of Public Safety in a timely manner. Any suspicious activity or person seen in parking lots or loitering around vehicles, inside buildings or around the residence halls should also be reported to the Department of Public Safety.

To report a crime or an emergency on the Evangel University campus, call the Department of Public Safety from a campus phone at extension 911 or, from outside the University phone system, (417) 575-8911 or (417) 865- 2815 ext. 7000. To report a non-emergency security related matter, call the Department of Public Safety at extension 7000 or, from outside the University phone system, (417) 5758911 or (417) 865-2815 ext. 7000. Sex crimes or misconduct may also be reported to the Title IX officers, the Director of Human Resources and the Vice President for Student Development or any Campus Security Authority.

Dispatchers are available at these respective telephone numbers 24 hours a day to answer calls. In response to a call, the Department of Public Safety will take the required action, dispatching an officer or asking the victim to report to the Department of Public Safety to file an incident report.

All Public Safety incident reports involving students are referred to the Vice President for Student Development and the Community Life Department for review and potential disciplinary action. Incidents are reviewed by the Director of Public Safety or his designee to determine if a timely warning notice is appropriate. The Department of Public Safety will investigate a report when it is deemed appropriate. Additional information obtained via the investigation will also be forwarded to the Vice President for Student Development and the Community Life Department.

If assistance is required from the Springfield Police Department, the Department of Public Safety will contact Springfield-Greene County 911 and request an officer. Crimes should be reported to the Springfield Police Department and the Evangel University Department of Public Safety to aid in providing Timely Warning notices to the

community, when appropriate, and to ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics report.

### **Prompt and Accurate Reporting**

Evangel University encourages and expects victims and witnesses of crimes to report crimes to the Springfield Police Department and to the Department of Public Safety even if the victims do not want to pursue action within Evangel University's Community Accountability Program or through the local or state criminal justice system.

The Department of Public Safety is not a police department. The university encourages and expects victims and witnesses of crimes to report crimes to the Department of Public Safety as well at: extension 7000 or (417) 575-8911

When the victim of a crime elects to or is unable (physically/mentally) to make such a report either witnesses or Evangel Community members can make a report on behalf of the victim.

All reports made to local law enforcement, Evangel Public Safety or a Campus Security Authority are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the institution and will be evaluated by the Director or his designee to determine if an immediate notification, timely warning, or public safety announcement should be made.

### **Voluntary Confidential Reporting**

If you are the victim of a crime and do not want to pursue action within the Evangel University System or the criminal justice system, you may still want to make a confidential report. With your permission, the Director of Public Safety or a designee of EU DPS can file a report on the details of the incident without revealing your identity. The purpose of a confidential report is to keep your identity confidential while allowing others to take precautions to ensure their safety. With such information, Evangel University can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving students, determine where there is a pattern of crime about a particular location, method, or assailant, and alert the campus community to potential danger. Reports filed in this manner are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the institution.

## **Emergencies**

Evangel Public Safety is responsible for coordinating and providing emergency and public safety services to the Evangel main campus, which includes the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary (AGTS). Its principal related services are:

Security related services  
Coordination of asset and intuitional facilities security  
Response to criminal and medical calls

Evangel Public Safety has a direct contact number (417-575-8911) or can be reached by dialing x7000 on an on-campus phone. Trained communications officers monitor these numbers 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

## **Non-Emergencies**

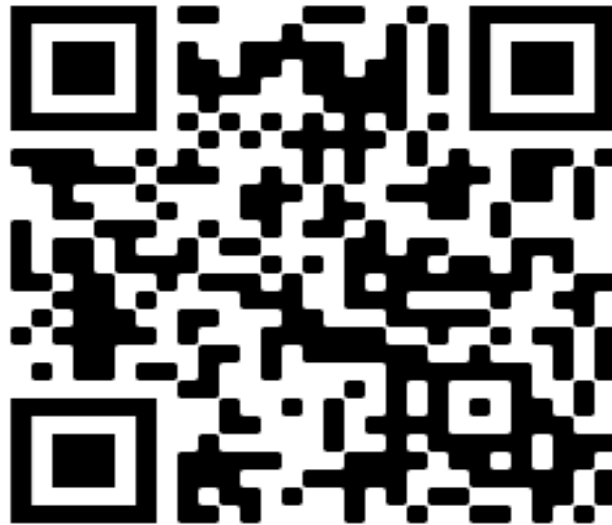
Evangel Public Safety coordinates with the Springfield Police Department to investigate any criminal offenses committed on Evangel campus. If the investigation includes a Title IX offense, then the Director of Public Safety will also conduct an investigation with the results of the investigation being provided to the Title IX Coordinator.

While appointments with Public Safety officers to make a report are always subject to an emergency or higher priority call, every effort is made to take the report in a manor most convenient to the victim.

Crimes can also be reported to the following offices:

- Vice President of Student Development
- Director of Counseling Services
- Human Resources
- Director of Housing
- Title IX Coordinator
- Any Faculty or Staff Member

**Evangel University has a new Alert system which is called 911 Cellular. Below is the QR Code for the APP that can be downloaded using your cellular phone:**



Never walk alone at night. Call a friend or Public Safety to have an Officer escort you to your dorm or car. Call **417-575-8911**

Always be aware of your surroundings. Walk purposefully and make eye contact with strangers.

In parking lots, have keys ready when you approach your car to make your entry easier.



## **Guard Your Privacy on Social Networking Sites:**

- Don't give out information simply because it is requested
- Giving out birthdates, full names, addresses, phone numbers, Social Security numbers, bank or credit card accounts, and other personally identifiable information can lead to identify theft and cyberstalking.
- Select gender-neutral usernames.
- Only post information that you are comfortable having others see, including parents, potential employers, instructors, etc.
- Trust your instincts.

## **Avoid Identify Theft:**

Identity theft is the nation's fastest-growing crime.

If you become a victim of identity theft, it can take years to restore your credit and clear your name. Here are some "Do's" and "Don'ts" to help keep you safer:

**DO:** Only enter your sensitive personal information on trusted sites.

**DO:** find out why your card is unexpectedly denied.

**DO:** Shred receipts, bills and other documents that might have personal information written on them.

**DO:** Obtain a copy of your credit report periodically. Active accounts that you do not recognize could indicate fraudulent activity. If you suspect your identity has been stolen,

**DO:** File a report with the local police department.

Protect your passwords. Avoid using common easy password such as, 12345, abc123, password, spring 2020, etc.

Notify one of the three credit reporting agencies to crack passwords

Be cautious about posting pictures of yourself, as stalkers sometimes can become obsessed by a photo or images.

Versions of online information can be archived, so once you post information, deleting it does not ensure that it is no longer available online.

Be cautious about arranging personal meetings with new online acquaintances put in place a fraud alert.

File a report with the Federal Trade Commission ([www.identitytheft.gov](http://www.identitytheft.gov)) or call 1-877-IDTHEFT.

**DON'T:** Share your passwords with anyone, even family and close friends.

**DON'T:** Ignore calls from creditors about charges. This could be the first sign that your identity has been stolen.

**DON'T:** Reply to emails that request personal information. These messages are called phishing messages, and they are a common tool of identify thieves.

**DON'T:** Leave paperwork that contains personal information lying around for others to see or steal.

## **Timely Warnings and Emergency**

Anyone with information warranting a Timely Warning or Emergency Notification or anyone activating the University's emergency communications system should report the circumstances to Evangel Public Safety immediately. The University will issue warnings or notifications as appropriate to keep the campus community informed about safety and security matters on an ongoing basis and to prevent similar crimes from occurring. The decision to issue a Timely Warning or Emergency Communication shall be decided on a case-by-case basis in compliance with the Clery Act and consider all the facts. The timing of the notification shall, in the first instance, be based upon whether the crime is considered a serious or continuing threat to the students or employees and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.

### **Timely Warnings**

Timely Warnings are issued for reported Clery Act crimes that are considered by the University to represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees and are the sole responsibility of the institution. These warnings are issued in a manner that gets the word out quickly communitywide in an effort to prevent similar crimes.

The University will attempt to unnecessarily identifying the victims of crimes when making a timely warning.

Timely warnings can be issued for threats to property, as well as for threats to persons. It is irrelevant whether the victims or the perpetrators are members of the campus community.

Crimes reported to a professional counselor or pastor which would meet the Timely Warning requirement are exempt due to the confidential means of the report being made.

The Director of Public Safety or his designee is responsible for preparing and issuing timely warnings. The Timely Warning will be issued through the University email system to students, faculty, and staff. The Timely Warning will also be posted around campus and may be posted in the campus newspaper, The Lance. Depending on the particular circumstances of the crime, especially in situations that could pose an immediate threat to the community and individuals, the Department of Public Safety may activate the electronic messaging system, campus wide intercom system or other means of mass communication to include social media.

### **Timely Warning Procedures:**

The campus crime “Timely Warning” is provided to heighten awareness and to provide students, faculty and staff timely notification of Clery Act crimes that are considered to represent a serious or ongoing threat to the campus community. The warning will provide pertinent information related to the crime and available suspect information.

The Director of Public Safety or his designee is responsible for preparing and issuing timely warnings. The Director of Public Safety will make the decision to issue a timely warning on a case-by-case basis considering the facts surrounding a crime, including the continuing danger to the campus community and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.

When the Director of Public Safety issues a Timely Warning, it will be issued when deemed appropriate through the university email system to students, faculty, and staff, posted around campus and may be posted in the campus newspaper, The Lance.

Depending on the circumstances of the crime, especially in all situations that could pose an immediate threat to the community and individuals, the Department of Public Safety may activate the electronic messaging system, campus wide intercom system or other means of communication, providing the community with more immediate notification. In such instances, a copy of the notice will be posted in each residence hall and updates regarding the situation will follow as more information becomes available.

Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to the Department of Public Safety, by phone (417-865-2815) ext. 7000. Other communications methods may also be employed including, website, social media, campus-wide intercom system, fire detection system.

It is the responsibility of students, faculty, and staff to provide updated personal information to ensure successful or in person at the Department of Public Safety in Riggs Halls 208.

## **Emergency Notifications**

Anyone may report an emergency to Evangel Public Safety by calling 417-575-8911 or by dialing x7000 on a campus phone. After responsible personnel have been made aware of an emergency that poses a significant threat to the health and safety of the campus community an Emergency Notification will be issued through the Emergency Notification System (ENS).

The ENS message will contain pre-scripted brief messages or tailored content developed by Public Safety to inform the campus community what is occurring and suggested actions to take. After the threat has passed an “all clear” message will be sent through the ENS system letting the campus community know there is no longer a threat.

A localized threat in a specific building, such as a fire, will not require a mass notification to the campus community.

Students have an opportunity during registration to change their contact information. Personal information on faculty and staff are maintained in Human Resources Office.

The following University officials have the authority to issue an ENS message, President, Vice President for Business and Finance, Vice President of Student Development, Provost, Director of Public Safety, Assistant Director of Public Safety, Public Safety Supervisors.

Reasons for ENS notifications may include, but are not limited to: Campus closures, weather warnings, fire, natural gas leaks, hazardous materials spill, natural disasters, campus wide power outage, violent criminal behavior, bomb threats or other imminent danger, explosions on campus and terrorism incidents.

Larger Community notifications will be accomplished through both regular media outlets as well as social media resources by the director of public relations.

	Timely Warning Notice (TWN)	Emergency Notification (EN)
Legal Standard	Potential ongoing or serious threat	Immediate threat to health and safety
Circumstances	Clery-reported crimes that have been reported (occurred in past)	Clery-reported crimes as well as other types of emergencies (happening right now or about to happen)
Audience	Community wide	Can send to a segment of the community, if appropriate
When issued	As soon as pertinent information is available	Upon confirmation of emergency
Follow-Up	Not Required	Required

### **Fire safety systems in on-campus housing facilities:**

Evangel University the six residence halls (Burgess, Krause, Lewis, Scott, Spence, and Walther) are continuously monitored by an addressable fire detection system. Smoke detectors are located in the hallways and lobbies. Heat detectors are located in the laundry room and cords, which are fire hazards). Appliances must be kept clean and are subject to room inspection standards.

Open flames/smoke: Objects producing or are capable of producing flames are prohibited, including burning/ burnt candles, incense, oil lamps, matches, and cigarette lighters are prohibited in the residence halls.

Audible and visual alarms are activated in the residence hall and at the Department of Public Safety communications center when any sensing device detects the conditions of a fire. Each floor in the residence hall is equipped with at least two fire extinguishers. These Maintain a healthy lifestyle; abstaining from the possession or use of: alcoholic beverages, tobacco and/or smoking products, narcotic and/or hallucinogenic drugs (outside of a legal prescription), marijuana, paraphernalia, etc., as well as refraining.

### **Procedures for student housing evacuation in the case of a fire alarm**

Systems are maintained by the Department of Public Safety Additionally, in every residence hall room there is a battery-operated smoke detector maintained by the Physical Plant Department. Perkin Hall apartments, Evangel Court duplexes, and other rental properties are equipped with battery-operated smoke detectors.

In the event of a fire alarm students should evacuate using the primary or secondary route and assemble with other residents of their floor at the predetermined assembly point in a safe area away from the residence hall.

### **Policies regarding fire safety education and training**

detectors and battery-operated CO2 detectors maintained by the Physical Plant. Battery operated devices provide an audible alarm at the device.

Fire drills were conducted in Lewis Hall, Krause Hall, Burgess Hall, Scott Hall, Walther Hall, and Spence Hall in the spring and fall of 2020.

**Policies and rules on portable electrical appliances, smoking, and open flames:**

Cooking and Appliances: Cooking: The halls do not have wiring or drainage capacities for full meal preparation. See acceptable Appliances.

Each residence hall has an ice machine and vending machines in either the 1st or 2nd floor lobby. Microwaves, coffeepots, hot pots, crockpots, blenders, and compact refrigerators are the only acceptable appliances in rooms. For several appliances, use a UL approved power strip attached directly to wall outlet. Each Residence Director conducts a hall meeting at the beginning of the semester to provide information on fire safety and the appropriate action to take during a fire alarm or fire emergency. The Residence Director covers evacuation routes and assembly points in these meetings. The following information regarding the proper procedure to follow in case of a fire or explosion is provided in the current *Evangel University Emergency or Crisis Plan* flip chart maintained and posted in various campus locations for students and employees by the Evangel University Safety Committee:

**Fire or Explosions**

1. Activate any fire alarms in the vicinity.
2. Call the Department of Public Safety at 911 or 7000 and report the fire.
3. If you have proper training, use a fire extinguisher before evacuating only if it is possible to do so without jeopardizing your personal well-being, and the fire is small or just beginning.
4. In smoky conditions, crawl, staying near the floor; touch closed doors before opening them to see if they are hot from a fire on the other side.
5. If there is time, close all windows and doors, turn off all electrical circuits and gas valves.
6. Do not lock doors or use elevators.

7. Leave the building (assist any persons with mobility impairments out of the building or at least to safe refuges [e.g., stairwell landings]) and assemble outside the building. Immediately determine if everyone is present.
8. The building may be re-occupied upon issuance of an "all clear" signal by Department of Public Safety.

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**List of titles of each person or organization to which students and employees should report that a fire has occurred:**

Fires, regardless of size or damage, must be reported immediately to the Department of Public Safety at 417-865-2815, ext. 7000, 417-575-8911, or 911 (not 911) locations of any people who may still be in the building from an on-campus telephone. (e.g., physically impaired).

The following fire safety education information is provided in the current *Student Handbook*:

**Fire Alarms:** All students MUST leave a campus building immediately when a fire alarm sounds.

**Fire Doors:** According to the City Fire Marshal stairwell doors must not be left open.

**Fire Safety Systems:** Misusing or committing pranks involving fire safety systems (e.g., building or floor fire/ smoke alarms, fire extinguishers and electrical panels) is prohibited and typically results in suspension. Students violating this standard may be prosecuted also by the City of Springfield, as this is a violation of Springfield city ordinances.

Municipal Ordinance #F109-3 provides that such a person will be issued a citation and a summons to appear in court. The penalty is six months in jail and/or a \$500 fine. If a fire truck responds to the false alarm, the penalty is six months in jail and a \$500 fine. In addition, the Fire Marshal states that when the pulling of a fire alarm as a prank result in the evacuation of over ten persons from a building, it can be considered a "terrorist



threat.” This is a Class “C” Felony and, as a federal offense, would be turned over to the FBI for prosecution.

**Smoke detectors in residence hall or room:** Tampering with smoke detectors, including removing the batteries or disabling them in any way, is prohibited. These things are important to let us know if there is a fire (or you have burned popcorn)!

**Future improvements:**

1. Generator back-up of all residence halls for essential lighting and electronics.
2. Installation of additional emergency exit signs and reorientation of some existing exit signs.
3. Exit routs posted on every floor.

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**Residential Facilities Fire Statistics**

		Number of	Number of Fires	Number of Fires	Category of Fire	Cause of Fire	Fire relate	Fire relate	Property Damage
Spence Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Walther Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	1	0	Structural	Roofing	0	0	yes
Scott Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Krouse Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Burgess Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Lewis Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Perkins Hall	1111 N. Glenstone Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 1	1533 E. Division St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 2	1541 E. Division St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 3	1522 N. Weller St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 4	1630 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 5	1634 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 6	1644 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 7	1650 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 8	1660 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 9	1670 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 10	1710 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 11	1526 N. Weller Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 12	1536 N. Weller Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 13	1540 N. Weller Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
House 14	1517 N. Delaware Ave.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

House 15	1627 N. Delaware Ave	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 1	1508 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 2	1514 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 3	1520 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 4	1526 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 5	1534 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 6	1540 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 7	1546 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 8	1552 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 9	1554/1556 N. Evangel Court	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
Duplex 10	1716 E. Pythian St.	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	0

Evangel University and the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary (AGTS) have merged into one school, but due to a technicality in the way the Department of Education views each institution as separate, both must complete an Annual Safety and Fire report; due to the geography of AGTS being on the Evangel campus and sharing resources such as residential facilities the statistics for crime and fire statistics are combined.

**Housing Access and Security**

During business hours the University facilities (excluding housing facilities) will be open to students, parents, employees, contractors, and guests. During non-business hours access to these facilities is gained by utilization of a proximity access card (*Valor Card*), if issued, or by admittance via Department of Public Safety personnel. In the case of periods of extended closing, the Department of Public Safety will admit to University facilities only those having prior approval. Some facilities, such as the Ashcroft Activities Center, Mabee Student Fitness Center, and the Kendrick Library, have hours of operation that vary at different times of the year. In these cases, the facilities will be secured according to schedules developed by the department responsible for the respective facility. Residence halls are locked 24 hours per day. During semesters, access to residence halls is gained by utilization of a proximity access card (*Valor Card*) or by admittance via Community Life staff or Department of Public Safety personnel, and is limited to the Director of Community Life, residence directors, resident students of the respective hall and their guests, as well as EU housekeeping staff and RV MAPS

volunteers (6:45 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) Authorized service personnel (select Physical Plant staff and IT staff) are allowed access to residence halls to conduct their duties 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. and are limited to 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. for non-emergency repairs; exceptions may be made after hours to make emergency repairs. Over extended breaks, the doors of all residence halls will be secured around the clock, and access will be limited to residence directors, EU housekeeping staff, authorized service personnel, and only those resident students who might be given authorization by the Director of Housing for such access. Emergencies may necessitate changes or alterations to any posted schedules.

Security surveys will be conducted in areas that are identified as problematic. These surveys examine security issues such as landscaping, locks, alarms, lighting, and communications. The Department of Public Safety checks for appropriate lighting and other safety concerns and reports problems to the Physical Plant.

### **Missing Person Policy**

Every Evangel University employee and student has a duty to report a person believed to be missing to the Evangel University Department of Public Safety at (417) 865-2815 ext.7000. The Department of Public Safety immediately investigates any report of an individual missing from campus. Advised that his or her “missing student “contact information will be registered confidentially, will be accessible only to authorized university officials, and may not be disclosed. It is the policy of Evangel University to provide each student residing in student housing facilities the option of identifying an individual to be contacted by the University in the event that the student is determined to be missing for a period of more than 24 hours. The students will provide this information during the registration process or throughout the semester on the student portal <https://web.evangel.edu/portal/student/>.

Except to those officials and enforcement personnel engaged in a missing person investigation. After investigating a missing person report, should EU DPS determine that the student has been missing for 24 hours, EU will notify Springfield

PD and the student's "missing student" contact no later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. Students under the age of 18, who are not emancipated individuals, shall be advised that the University is required to notify the student's custodial parents or legal guardian within 24 hours after the Evangel University Department of Public Safety or another law enforcement agency determines that the student has been missing parent or legal guardian within 24 hours after the Evangel University Department of Public Safety or another law enforcement agency determines that the student has been missing for more than 24 hours, in addition to notifying any contact person designated by the student.

Evangel University will inform that their contact information will be registered confidential, and that this information will be accessible only to authorized campus officials, and that it may not be disclosed, except to law enforcement personnel in the furtherance of a missing person investigation.



## **Dormitories**

Burgess Hall Krause Hall

Lewis Hall Scott Hall

Spence Hall Walther Hall

### **Single Family Residences**

**Division Street**– 1533 E., 1541 E.

**Delaware St.**– 1517 N., 1627 N.

**Pythian St.**– 1630 E., 1634 E.,  
1556 N., E., 1650 E., 1660 E., 1670 E.,

**Weller Ave.**– 1536 N., 1540 N.

### **Duplex Residences**

**Evangel Ct.**– 1508 N., 1514 N.,  
1520 N., 1526 N., 1534 N., 1540 N.,  
1644 1546 N., 1552 N., 1554 N.,

**Pythian St.**– 1716 E.

*Note: In compliance with federal law, the disclosures below reference legal terms such as “rape,” “sexual assault,” “stalking,” “domestic violence,” etc. Evangel University’s disciplinary process does not enforce criminal law. Thus, University policies use terms such as “sexual misconduct,” “non-consensual sexual intercourse,” “nonconsensual sexual contact,” “sexual exploitation,” and “sexual harassment” that overlap significantly with legal definitions but are policy-based not criminal in nature. Additionally, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking can also be violations of the University’s Sexual Misconduct, Discrimination, and Harassment Policy, when motivated in whole or in part by the sex or gender of the alleged reporting party. University policy regarding sexual misconduct is located in the [Evangel Student Handbook](#).*

## **Evangel University Policy Regarding Sexual Misconduct and Missouri Legal Definitions:**

Evangel University, owned and operated by the Assemblies of God, is committed to respecting all employees, students, and guests. Sexual harassment offenses are incompatible with Evangel’s standards of Christian conduct, are criminal acts that infringe on the rights of others and are strictly prohibited by the University. The core purpose of this policy is the prohibition of sexual harassment and retaliation. Title IX applies to sexual harassment that occurs on campus or in a university program/activity. Title IX does not apply to sexual harassment that occurs off-campus, in a private setting, and that is not part of the institution’s education program or activity or is outside of the United States. In cases where Title IX does not apply, the university may adjudicate complaints based on established disciplinary procedures. This policy is applicable to all



University employees, students, or visitors to the University, as well as anyone participating in a University sponsored activity.

The university is committed to providing a workplace and educational environment, as well as other benefits, programs, and activities, free from sexual harassment and retaliation. To ensure compliance with federal and state civil rights laws and regulations, and to affirm its commitment to promoting the goals of fairness and equity in all aspects of the educational program or activity, Evangel has developed internal policies and procedures that provide a prompt, fair, and impartial process for those involved in an allegation sexual harassment or retaliation. The university values and upholds the equal dignity of all members of its community and strives to balance the rights of the parties in the grievance process during what is often a difficult time for all those involved. We encourage individuals to report sexual harassment to the university, as well as to appropriate law enforcement officials, so that we may care well for our community members. Contact the [Title IX Coordinator, Deputy Coordinator, or Office of Public Safety](#) to report any sexual harassment offenses. This community includes, but is not limited to, students, faculty, administrators, staff, and third parties such as guests, visitors, volunteers, invitees, and campers.

### **Legal Definitions:**

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) offenses include for purpose of policies and procedures any incidents of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. Against Women Act and Missouri Statutes 565 and 566 (see: <http://www.moga.mo.gov/mostatutes/statutesAlpha.html>). It is important to remember that the use of alcohol and/or other drugs will never function to excuse any behavior that violates this policy.

### **Sexual Assault**

Any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Title IX

regulations have adopted the following types of sexual assault (consistent with Clery Act reporting):

**Rape:** Penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus, with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. The State of Missouri classifies the crime of rape under statutes Rape in the first degree and Rape in the second degree. (RSMO 566.030 and 566.031).

**Fondling:** Touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity. The state of Missouri classifies fondling under the Sexual Abuse statutes (RSMo 566.100 and 566.101)

**Incest:** Sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

**Statutory Rape:** Sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

A person commits the offense of rape in the first degree if he or she has sexual intercourse with another person who is incapacitated, incapable of consent, or lacks the capacity to consent, or by the use of forcible compulsion. Forcible compulsion includes the use of a substance administered without a victim's knowledge or consent which renders the victim physically or mentally impaired so as to be incapable of making an informed consent to sexual intercourse.

The offense of rape in the first degree or an attempt to commit rape in the first degree is a felony for which the authorized term of imprisonment is life imprisonment or a term of years not less than five years, unless:

- (1) The offense is an aggravated sexual offense, in which case the authorized term of imprisonment is life imprisonment or a term of years not less than fifteen years;

- (2) The person is a persistent or predatory sexual offender as defined in section 566.125 and subjected to an extended term of imprisonment under said section;
  - (3) The victim is a child less than twelve years of age, in which case the required term of imprisonment is life imprisonment without eligibility for probation or parole until the offender has served not less than thirty years of such sentence or unless the offender has reached the age of seventy-five years and has served at least fifteen years of such sentence, unless such rape in the first degree is described under subdivision (4) of this subsection; or
  - (4) The victim is a child less than twelve years of age and such rape in the first degree or attempt to commit rape in the first degree was outrageously or wantonly vile, horrible, or inhumane, in that it involved torture or depravity of mind, in which case the required term of imprisonment is life imprisonment without eligibility for probation, parole or conditional release.
1. Subsection 4 of section 558.019 shall not apply to the sentence of a person who has been found guilty of rape in the first degree or attempt to commit rape in the first degree when the victim is less than twelve years of age, and **"life imprisonment"** shall mean imprisonment for the duration of a person's natural life for the purposes of this section.
  2. No person found guilty of rape in the first degree or an attempt to commit rape in the first degree shall be granted a suspended imposition of sentence or suspended execution of sentence.

**Sexual Harassment:**

The Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR), the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), and State of Missouri regard Sexual Harassment as an unlawful discriminatory practice. Further information concerning legal descriptions and statutes of sex offenses, according to Missouri law, can be found in [Appendix 1](#). Sexual harassment, as an umbrella category, includes quid pro quo harassment, hostile environment harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking.

## Quid Pro Quo Harassment

Unwelcome conduct of an employee of the university, who conditions the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the university (implicitly or explicitly), on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct.

## **Hostile Environment Harassment:**

Unwelcome conduct, determined by a reasonable person, to be so severe, and pervasive, and, objectively offensive, that it effectively denies a person equal access to university education program or activity.

- a) The explicit or implicit solicitation or use of sexual favors as a basis for actions affecting an individual's welfare, grades or advancement as a student or employee.
- b) Repeated sexual advances, requests for sexual favors and physical contacts of a sexual nature which impedes another's work or academic performance.
- c) Repeated demeaning verbal or visually expressive behavior of a sexual nature, which creates a hostile work, learning or living environment.
- d) Unwelcome sexual conduct resulting in the acceptance of such conduct becoming a term or condition of an individual's academic standing, continued employment, or employment advancement.

## **Consent:**

The term consent is defined as an unambiguous and willful participation or cooperation in an act or as an attitude that is commonly understood to be consistent with the exercise of free will. Consent requires participants who are fully conscious, are equally free to act, have clearly communicated their willingness, cooperation, or permission to participate in a specific sexual activity, are positive and clear in their desires, and are able to cease ongoing consensual activity at any time. Refusal to consent does not have to be verbal; it can be expressed with gestures, body language or attitude. A prior sexual history between the complainant and respondent does not constitute consent. Consent is not freely given if one of the following applies:

- a) The individual is unable to make an informed decision as a result of alcohol or other drugs (including but not limited to predatory drugs or prescribed medications); or
- b) The individual is unconscious, asleep, or suffering from shock; or
- c) The individual is under the age of seventeen and therefore legally unable to give consent; or

d) Individual has a known mental disorder/developmental or physical disability and is therefore legally unable to give consent.

“No” means “No”; “No” can be expressed or implied, it does not have to be spoken.

“Yes” means “No” if conditions a, b, c, or d listed above exist.

In Missouri statute 556.061.2 consent is defined as: "Consent": consent or lack of consent may be expressed or implied. Assent does not constitute consent if:

- a. It is given by a person who lacks the mental capacity to authorize the conduct charged to constitute the offense and such mental incapacity is manifest or known to the actor; or
- b. It is given by a person who by reason of youth, mental disease or defect, intoxication, a drug-induced state, or any other reason is manifestly unable or known by the actor to be unable to make a reasonable judgment as to the nature or harmfulness of the conduct charged to constitute the offense; or
- c. It is induced by force, duress, or deception.

### **Domestic Violence / Dating Violence:**

Domestic Violence: Includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim; by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; by a person cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner; or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of Missouri.

Dating Violence: Means violence committed by a person— (a) who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and (b) where the existence of such a relationship will be determined based on a consideration of the victim's statement and the following factors:

- (i) The length of the relationship.
- (ii) The type of relationship.
- (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence. Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

**Missouri Statutes that deal with domestic/dating violence fall under the Domestic Assault statutes.**

**Domestic assault, first degree—penalty:**

RSMo 565.072.

1. A person commits the crime of domestic assault in the first degree if he or she attempts to kill or knowingly causes or attempts to cause serious physical injury to a family or household member, including any child who is a member of the family or household, as defined in section 455.010.
2. Domestic assault in the first degree is a class B felony unless in the course thereof the actor inflicts serious physical injury on the victim or has previously pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of committing this crime, in which case it is a class A felony.

**Domestic assault, second degree—penalty:**

RSMo 565.073

A person commits the crime of domestic assault in the second degree if the act involves a family or household member, including any child who is a member of the family or household, as defined in section 455.010, and he or she:

- (1) Attempts to cause or knowingly causes physical injury to such family or household member by any means, including but not limited to, by use of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument, or by choking or strangulation; or
- (2) Recklessly causes serious physical injury to such family or household member; or
- (3) Recklessly causes physical injury to such family or household member by means of any deadly weapon.
- (4) Domestic assault in the second degree is a class C felony.

**Domestic assault, third degree—penalty:**

RSMo 565.074

A person commits the crime of domestic assault in the third degree if the act involves a family or household member, including any child who is a member of the family or household, as defined in section 455.010 and:

- (1) The person attempts to cause or recklessly causes physical injury to such family or household member; or
- (2) With criminal negligence the person causes physical injury to such family or household member by means of a deadly weapon or dangerous instrument; or
- (3) The person purposely places such family or household member in apprehension of immediate physical injury by any means; or
- (4) The person recklessly engages in conduct which creates a grave risk of death or serious physical injury to such family or household member; or

(5) The person knowingly causes physical contact with such family or household member knowing the other person will regard the contact as offensive; or

(6) The person knowingly attempts to cause or causes the isolation of such family or household member by unreasonably and substantially restricting or limiting such family or household member's access to other persons, telecommunication devices or transportation for the purpose of isolation.

- Except as provided in subsection 3 of this section, domestic assault in the third degree is a class A misdemeanor.
- A person who has pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of the crime of domestic assault in the third degree more than two times against any family or household member as defined in section 455.010, or of any offense committed in violation of any county or municipal ordinance in any state, any state law, any federal law, or any military law which, if committed in this state, would be a violation of this section, is guilty of a class D felony for the third or any subsequent commission of the crime of domestic assault. The offenses described in this subsection may be against the same family or household member or against different family or household

Definition of "Family" or "household member". Spouses, former spouses, any person related by blood or marriage, persons who are presently residing together or have resided together in the past, any person who is or has been in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim, and anyone who has a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have resided together at any time

Both Dating Violence and Domestic Violence are defined in 42 U.S.C. 13925(a) as follows:

**Domestic Violence:**

A felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed--

- (i) By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
- (ii) By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
- (iii) By a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
- (iv) By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred, or
- (v) By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.

## **Stalking:**

Section 40002(a) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 defines “stalking” to mean “engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress.”

In the Violence Against Women Act the following terms are defined:

•**Course of conduct** means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person’s property.

•**Reasonable person** means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.

•**Substantial emotional distress** means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

In Missouri Law Stalking is defined as: A person commits the crime of stalking if he or she purposely, through his or her course of conduct, harasses or follows with the intent of harassing another person.

In Missouri Stalking is covered in Statute 565.225, “Crime of Stalking” listed below.

## **Crime of stalking definitions and penalties:**

RSMo 565.225

As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:

- (1) "**Course of conduct**", a pattern of conduct composed of two or more acts, which may include communication by any means, over a period of time, however short, evidencing a continuity of purpose. Constitutionally protected activity is not included within the meaning of course of conduct. Such constitutionally protected activity includes picketing or other organized protests;
- (2) "**Credible threat**", a threat communicated with the intent to cause the person who is the target of the threat to reasonably fear for his or her safety, or the safety of his or her family, or household members or domestic animals or livestock as defined in section 276.606 kept at such person's residence or on such person's property. The threat must be against the life of, or a threat to cause physical injury to, or the kidnapping of, the person, the person's family, or the person's household members



or domestic animals or livestock as defined in section 276.606 kept at such person's residence or on such person's property;

- (3) "**Harasses**", to engage in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that serves no legitimate purpose that would cause a reasonable person under the circumstances to be frightened, intimidated, or emotionally distressed.

**Crime of Stalking:**

A person commits the crime of stalking if he or she purposely, through his or her course of conduct, harasses or follows with the intent of harassing another person.

3. A person commits the crime of aggravated stalking if he or she purposely, through his or her course of conduct, harasses or follows with the intent of harassing another person, and:

Makes a credible threat; or At least one of the acts constituting the course of conduct is in violation of an order of protection and the person has received actual notice of such order; or At least one of the actions constituting the course of conduct is in violation of a condition of probation, parole, pretrial release, or release on bond pending appeal; or At any time during the course of conduct, the other person is seventeen years of age or younger and the person harassing the other person is twenty-one years of age or older; or He or she has previously pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of domestic assault, violation of an order of protection, or any other crime where the other person was the victim.

4. The crime of stalking shall be a class A misdemeanor unless the person has previously pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of a violation of this section, or of any offense committed in violation of any county or municipal ordinance in any state, any state law, any federal law, or any military law which, if committed in this state, would be chargeable or indictable as a violation of any offense listed in this section, in which case stalking shall be a class D felony.

5. The crime of aggravated stalking shall be a class D felony unless the person has previously pleaded guilty to or been found guilty of a violation of this section, or of any offense committed in violation of any county or municipal ordinance in any state, any state law, any federal law, or any military law which, if committed in this state, would be chargeable or

indictable as a violation of any offense listed in this section, aggravated stalking shall be a class C felony.

6. Any law enforcement officer may arrest, without a warrant, any person he or she has probable cause to believe has violated the provisions of this section.

7. This section shall not apply to activities of federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement officers conducting investigations of violation of federal, state, county, or municipal law.

### **Prevention of Sexual Assault:**

Periodically throughout the school year the Department of Public Safety conducts a Sexual Harassment And Rape Prevention (SHARP) campaign. The SHARP program aims to enable individuals to protect themselves through preventing attacks and learning techniques for escape in the event of an attack. It provides valuable information about how to avoid confrontation and how to best defend oneself if physically attacked or confronted. All faculty, staff and students are encouraged to take the prevention training program, "HAVEN" offered free of charge to all community members.

### **Reporting Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence or Stalking:**

To students' assistance is available 24 hours a day through the entire year by calling the Evangel University Department of Public Safety at (417) 865-2815 extension 7000. The Department of Public Safety personnel will offer assistance in reporting the crime and in providing information for counseling support and medical treatment. Victims will be provided with written copies of their rights, options, and services available regardless of if the offense occurred on or off campus.

Additionally, anonymous reports can be made by victims and/or third parties using the online reporting form posted at <https://www.evangel.edu/offices/student-development/public-safety/>. Note

that these anonymous reports may prompt a need for the institution to investigate. Phone calls or in-person reports may be made to the Office of Public Safety (417-575-8911), Riggs Hall, Suite 208 at any time day or night. Inquiries concerning the application of Title IX also may be referred to the United States Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights. For further information on notice of nondiscrimination, visit <http://wdcrobcop01.ed.gov/CFAPPS/OCR/contactus.cfm>. The State of Missouri regional Office of Civil Rights is located in Kansas City and is available to provide assistance.

**Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education**

**One Petticoat Lane**

**1010 Walnut, 3rd Floor, Suite 320**

**Kansas City,**

**MO 64106**

**Telephone: 816-268-0550; FAX: 816-268-0599; TDD: 800-877-8339**

**Email: OCR.KansasCity@ed.gov**

**Department of Public Safety Response to a Report of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence or Stalking:**

**Assessment of Danger:** Upon receiving a call, the Public Safety Officer will determine if the survivor or others are in immediate danger, the survivor's name, or other means by which the survivor can be identified, nature of the offense, and present location and phone number where the survivor may be reached.

**Immediate Danger.** If the Officer believes that there is an immediate danger to the caller, the Springfield Police Department and the Director of Public Safety will be notified. When the immediate danger is past, the help of a Crisis Counselor will be offered.

**No Immediate Danger.** When there is no indication of immediate danger, the officer will encourage the victim to accept the help of a Crisis Counselor,

who has been trained to provide such assistance. The Shift Supervisor will be contacted and assume charge of the situation.

**Preservation of evidence.** Once there is no immediate danger the officer will advise the survivor of the importance of preserving evidence to prove any criminal case of domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault or stalking, or if needed to obtain a protective order.

**Medical Assistance:** The officer shall encourage the survivor to seek medical treatment or examination, if needed, and offer to arrange transportation to a local hospital. Should the survivor desire counseling, the officer will offer to make the necessary arrangements outlined below.

**Rape Kit.** If the sexual assault involved sexual intercourse, the officer will inform the survivor about the importance of the Rape Kit (if the sexual intercourse occurred within the last 72 hours) in order to preserve evidence. The officer should instruct the survivor to not wash, shower, douche, or change (destroy or clean) the clothes worn at the time of the assault. Not washing or changing clothes is important in order to preserve evidence.

**Support and Safety** Should the survivor require medical examination, University personnel can remain outside the examination or treatment room during the examination or treatment and then return the survivor to his or her residence or, if necessary, to a safe place other than the survivor's residence.

**Crisis Counseling Assistance:** The officer shall encourage the survivor to access support services from those specially trained to assist survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.

**On Campus**--Wellness Center Counseling Services (7223)

**Off Campus**—Victim Center at 417-864-SAFE

**Consent for Help:** If the survivor consents to talk with a counselor, the officer will immediately seek to contact the counselor for immediate assistance. The officer then will contact the survivor to provide the name of the proposed counselor. The victim then may ask for a different counselor if the proposed counselor is known to the survivor and unacceptable for any reason. In such an event, the officer will request another counselor who is available and then repeat the identification process. When no proposed counselor is approved by the victim, the officer will immediately call the Victim Center.

**Refusal of Help:** If the victim declines to talk with a counselor, any information obtained by the officer will be reported to the Vice President for Student Development.

Evangel University upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by Evangel against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such a crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of this paragraph.

### **Information**

The officer will provide the survivor with the following information, including telephone numbers for the referral sources:

- The survivor's right to anonymity
- The University's willingness to appoint a person to serve as the survivor's liaison with school officials and other parties, including service as the survivor's advisor in any disciplinary proceeding against the alleged offender.
- The availability of medical treatment, counseling services, and other resources;
- The procedure for reporting the incident to the Department of Public Safety, the Springfield Police Department, or other appropriate law enforcement agencies; and that the survivor can decline to report to these agencies if they wish.
- The University's willingness to assist in contacting the appropriate outside law enforcement agency if requested by the survivor; survivor has the right to decline to report the incident to law enforcement if they wish.
- The University procedures for disciplinary action against students found guilty of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking and;
- The availability of local attorneys for legal counsel.

**Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Harassment and Stalking Reporting:** The officer shall take appropriate steps for the completion of a report in cooperation with the expressed wishes of the survivor.

**Police Report Filed:** If the survivor chooses to file a Springfield Police Department report, then the officer will assist the survivor in contacting the

Springfield Police Department and will also complete a brief report for statistical records.

**No Police Report Filed:** If the survivor decides to not file a report with the Springfield Police Department, then, as soon as possible, the officer will interview the survivor in an area free from distractions and complete an Evangel University Incident Report containing the following:

**Survivor's Statement:** The officer will record the survivor's account of the offender's action and any background information.

**Other Information:** The officer will also seek and identify in the report as much potential corroborating information as possible

**Incident Report Options:** The officer will provide information to the survivor concerning the options for reporting the alleged offense and will use one of the following three formats selected by the survivor. Absent special circumstances the officer will encourage the survivor to choose the third option (a formal complaint).

**Anonymous Report:** The report will not include the name of the survivor or other information about the victim's identity. The report will be used solely for information to enhance prevention programs and to prepare statistical records. The report will be signed by the officer, who will verify that the survivor has requested that no further investigation or action be undertaken.

**Signed Report:** The report will include the name of the survivor but will be used solely for information to enhance prevention programs and to prepare statistical records. The report will be signed by the survivor and will verify that the he or she has requested that no further investigation or action be undertaken.

**Formal Report:** The report will be signed by the survivor and will request further investigation and appropriate disciplinary action. If a police report was filed, the survivor will provide the university a copy of the report.

**Confidentiality:** Regardless of the type of report, the name of the survivor and other information about the victim's identity will be kept confidential by the officer and other University employees to the extent possible. Personally Identifying Information (PII) will not be disclosed that could identify a survivor as part of the normal annual Clery crime reporting process.

**Filing of Report:** Promptly after the completion of a report, the officer will deliver the original copy of the report to the Director of Public Safety. Upon receipt of a report, if the Director of Public Safety determines there is a safety threat to the community, the survivor will be consulted, and an appropriate timely warning will be issued to the community.

University Response to Reported Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Harassment and Stalking and subsequent proceedings. Evangel University is committed to a prompt, fair and impartial investigation of any allegation of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual harassment or stalking.

The university encourages victims of sex-based offenses, or third-party witnesses, to report the incident to the Title IX Coordinator, deputy coordinator, Office of Public Safety, and/or appropriate law enforcement officials (if desired). We will take appropriate action when informed of an allegation. When an employee (mandated reporter) is informed of an incident, he or she must report the allegation to the Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator, who will initiate a Title IX inquiry. The preliminary inquiry is to determine if there is reasonable cause to believe an offense has occurred. When reasonable cause is identified, the university will initiate an investigation that is thorough, reliable, impartial, prompt, and fair to both parties. This investigation determines whether the university's Sex -Based Offenses Policy has been violated. If so, the university will promptly implement an effective remedy designed to end the conduct, prevent its recurrence, and address its effects. The university aims to bring all allegations to a resolution within a sixty (60) business daytime period, which can be extended for appropriate cause by the Title IX Coordinator with notice to the parties. To provide support, the reporting party and responding party may have an advisor present during reporting, investigative, and resolution procedures. Additionally, anonymous reports can be made by victims and/or third parties using online reporting posted at <https://www.evangel.edu/offices/studentdevelopment/public-safety/>. Anonymous reports may prompt a need for the institute decision based solely on evidence presented during the resolution process. Such evidence shall be credible, relevant,

based in fact, and without prejudice. Be informed of outcome of the resolution process in writing, without undue delay between the notifications to the parties, and usually within 7 business days of the end of the process: Be informed in writing: when a decision of the university is final; any changes to a sanction (in case of appeal); appeal a finding/sanction of resolution process, and procedures for doing so, however, the university may be limited in the investigation and outcome of such reports. An individual reporting a sex-based offense (reporting party) has the right to: Investigation and appropriate resolution of all credible reports or notice of sex-based offenses made in good faith to university officials;

Notification in advance, when possible, of any public release of information regarding incident. Have no personally identifiable information released to the public, without his or her consent. Respectful treatment by university officials;

Be fully informed and have university policies/ procedures followed without material deviation; Formal resolution of any reported misconduct involving violence;

Support from university officials in reporting sex-based offenses;

Be informed of options to notify law enforcement authorities (and for assistance by campus authorities to notify such authorities), or to not to report, if desired;

Notification of services (counseling, advisory, health, assistance, etc.—on or off campus);

Investigation and appropriate resolution of all credible reports or notice of sex-based offenses made in good faith to university officials;

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Be informed of options to notify law enforcement authorities (and for assistance by campus authorities to notify such authorities), or to not to report, if desired;

Notification of services (counseling, advisory, health, assistance, etc.—on or off campus);

Notification of possible interim measures to redress violence, such as: a change in campus housing; work assignment rescheduling; academic accommodations, no contact order;

Maintain interim measures for as long as is necessary, and to remain as confidential as possible;

Ask investigator to question relevant witnesses and be aware of witnesses questioned, except in cases where a witness' identity will not be revealed to the responding party for compelling safety reasons (excludes name of the alleged victim/reporting party, who is always Investigation and appropriate resolution of all credible reports of sex-based offenses. The university utilizes a civil rights single investigator model, not a hearing panel, to resolve allegations of sexbased offenses. The process is intended to be equitable for all parties involved. If, at any time, it is determined that "reasonable cause" does not exist to move forward in the process, the case will be closed. In general, the parties can expect the following:

1. Initial report. Can be received by any employee and will be forwarded to a Title IX officer (Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator to identify any necessary interim measures.
2. Preliminary inquiry and finding. Title IX Coordinator assigns Deputy Coordinator (if not already done) to contact reporting party (typically 1-3 days

in duration), review the conflict and determine if there is reasonable cause to proceed. Based on the preliminary finding, deputy coordinator may initiate an informal resolution or may ask for an investigator to be appointed.

3. Informal Resolution. For allegations that do not involve sexual violence, the Deputy Coordinator may facilitate conversations among the reporting party and the responding party to try and resolve the conflict if both parties are willing. If informal resolution fails, is not appropriate, or if an allegation involves sexual violence, an investigator is appointed.

4. Formal investigation. Investigator meets with all parties (ranges from days to weeks, depending on complexity of allegations, typically 10-14 days). The reporting party and responding party are regularly apprised of the status of the investigation as it unfolds.

5. Investigation summary. The investigator will document statements from reporting party, responding party, and any good faith to University Officials: applicable witness to produce a timeline of the evidence. Both notification in advance when parties will have opportunity to review the summary and add possible, of any public release of additional information or clarification.

6. Make a determination as to preponderance of the evidence and forward it to the deputy coordinator (typically completed 10-14 days from the end of the investigation barring necessary extensions).

7. Finding/Sanction. Deputy coordinator (and/or designees) determines appropriate sanctions according to the policy, will share the findings and explain sanctions to both parties at approximately the same time in writing, typically within 7 days.

8. Appeal, if desired. Appeals may be requested, within a three-day window to file once a formal determination is reached, a three-day window to grant or deny the appeal request, and another 7-10 days for a final resolution to be reached.

## **Findings and Sanctions:**

The Title IX Deputy Coordinator (and applicable designees) will review the investigative report with finding based on the standard of proof, preponderance of the evidence, to determine appropriate sanctions, consistent with university policy, and will share the findings/sanctions with the Title IX Coordinator, and the responding and reporting parties (and advisor/s), typically within seven days. Both parties will receive written notification of the outcome, to the extent permitted by or mandated by law. In cases involving sex-based violence, the written notification includes the finding, any resulting responsive actions, and the rationale for the decision. This written notification of final decision is delivered to the parties without undue delay between the notifications. It also explains appeals options and procedures for appeal, as well as any changes to the results that could occur before the appeal decision is finalized.

## **Appeals:**

Sanctions imposed from the formal resolution process can be appealed by any party according to grounds, below. All sanctions imposed will be in effect during an appeal unless a specific request is made to the Title IX Coordinator (or designee) to delay implementation, but the presumptive stance is that sanctions will go into effect immediately. Graduation, study abroad, internships, conferences, etc. do NOT in and of themselves constitute exigent circumstances, and individuals may not be able to participate in those activities during their appeal. In cases where an appeal results in resumption of privileges or reinstatement to the university, all reasonable attempts will be made to restore the individual to his/her prior status, recognizing that some opportunities lost may be irreparable.

All parties may seek review of a decision in a sex-based offense case by making an appeal to the appropriate appeals officer.

- For students: the appeals officer is the Vice President for Student Development.
- For staff: the appeals officer is the Vice President for Business and Finance.
- For faculty: the appeals officer is the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

### **Grounds for appeal.**

A procedural [or substantive] error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the hearing (e.g., substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures, etc.);

To consider new evidence, unavailable during the original hearing or investigation, that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction. A summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included; and/or The sanctions-imposed fall outside the range of sanctions designated for this offense and the cumulative conduct history of the responding party.

### **Criteria for Appeal**

- Appeals must be in writing and submitted to the Office of Student Development (Title IX Coordinator) for processing, during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) within three (3) business days of the decision. After this time, the decision is final.
- Clear error or compelling justification must be shown, as findings/sanctions are presumed to have been decided reasonably and appropriately during the original hearing. It is not enough to simply assert one of the grounds for appeal. The written appeal must provide information that specifically supports grounds upon which the individual bases the appeal. If an appeal does not contain sufficient information to support the grounds upon which the appeal is based, review of the appeal will be denied.
- Only one request for an appeal may be submitted by either party.

Based on written requests/responses or on interviews as necessary, the appeals officer will send a letter of outcome for the appeal to all parties. In response to a request, the appeals officer can take one of three possible actions:

- 1) the officer may dismiss an appeal request as untimely or ineligible,
- 2) grant an appeal and remand the finding and/or sanction for further investigation or reconsideration at the hearing level or modify a sanction.
- 3) a written decision concerning the appeal will be provided in person and/or mailed to the mailing address of the respective party as indicated in university records and emailed to the parties' university-issued email accounts.

Once received in person, mailed, or emailed, the notice of decision will be deemed presumptively delivered. The procedures governing the hearing of appeals include the following:

- All parties should be timely informed of the status of requests for appeal, the status of the appeal consideration, and the results of the appeal decision;
- Every opportunity to return the appeal to the original hearing body for reconsideration (remand) should be pursued;
- Appeals are not intended to be full re-hearings of the allegation (de novo). In most cases, appeals are confined to a review of the written documentation or record of the original hearing, and pertinent documentation regarding the grounds for appeal;
- Appeals decisions are to be deferential to the original hearing body, making changes to the finding only where there is clear error and to the sanction only if there is a compelling justification to do so;
- An appeal is not an opportunity for appeals officers to substitute their judgment for that of the original hearing body merely because they disagree with its finding and/ or sanctions.
- The appeals officer will typically render a written decision on the appeal to all parties within **five business** days from hearing of the appeal. The appeals officer decision to deny an appeal request is final.

## **Sex Offender Registry**

In accordance with the *Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000*, which amends *the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act*, the *Jeanne Clery Act*, and the *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974*, the Evangel University Department of Public Safety provides a link to publicly accessible Internet web sites containing the [Missouri Sex](#)

# ***Offender Registry***

Individuals included on the web site are included solely by virtue of their conviction record and Missouri state law. The primary purpose of providing this information is to make the information easily available and accessible, not to warn about any specific individual. Anyone who uses this information to commit a criminal act against another person is subject to criminal prosecution. Follow the link below to access the *Missouri Sex Offender Registry* website. <http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/CRID/SOR/SORPage.html>

Maintaining our personal health and mental well-being is an essential part of our commitment at Evangel University to serve Christ. As a demonstration of that commitment, we expect students and employees, while on or off University property, to refrain from alcohol/drug use. The possession, use, manufacture, sale, and/or distribution of the following is prohibited: illegal drugs (also includes any form of marijuana containing THC\*\*); synthetic drugs (K2 and other synthetic cannabinoids, bath salts, or products which, when consumed mimic the effects of cannabis); drug paraphernalia; alcoholic beverages (including alcohol vaporizer); tobacco products and/or e-cigarettes (and all inhaled handheld nicotine devices and any object resembling vaping pen products).

Further, students are to avoid the misuse of prescription or nonprescription drugs. Providing, purchasing, attempting to purchase, or facilitating the purchase of alcoholic beverages/drugs is likewise prohibited. Students are considered “in possession” and responsible for alcohol/drugs that have been determined to be on their person or in their residence or vehicle. “Use” includes consumption by any means. The University reserves the right to check for compliance with this policy by various means, including active and passive alcohol sensors.

\*\*Although medical marijuana may be legal in Missouri under certain restrictions, possession and use of marijuana remains illegal under federal law. Consistent with federal law, including the *Controlled Substances Act* and the *Drug Free Schools and Campuses Regulations [EDGAR Part 86]*, the use and/or possession of marijuana continues to be

to guests who are on campus. In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the university reserves the right to notify the parents/guardians of students under 21 years of age, and the parents/guardians of dependent students, regardless of age, of any incident in which the student is found responsible for violating the university alcohol and drug policy.

### **Support Services**

We offer support services to students who may be struggling with drug and/or alcohol use. They can seek on campus professional Christian counseling and/or health services at the Wellness Center (865-2815 ext. 7280) in Cantrell Student Union. Counseling support may include individual or group sessions. There is no charge for these short-term counseling and health services, and confidentiality is guarded carefully. Information is not shared with anyone without the client's permission unless a student is at serious risk of harming himself/herself. Students needing long-term treatment or therapy are generally referred to professionals off campus at their own expense. The campus pastor is available for pastoral counseling. Students are encouraged also to seek prayer, guidance, and encouragement from members of the faculty and Student

#### **Development staff.**

Off-campus community counseling and treatment, as well as residential care programs are available from the following organizations at a potential cost to students and employees:

Burrell Behavioral Center, 1300 E. Bradford Pkwy., Springfield, MO,  
417.761.5000

Burrell 24-hour Crisis Hotline, 417.765.5555 or 1.800.494.7355

Cox Center for Addictions, 1423 N. Jefferson Ave., Springfield, MO, 417-269-2273

Mercy Marian Center, 1845 Rogers, Springfield, MO, 417.820.7447.

Missouri Department of Health, Division of Behavioral

Health, 149 Park Central Square, Springfield, MO 417-895-6328

## Crime Prevention & Awareness Programs

Programming, initiatives, and strategies that are sustained over time and focus on increasing understanding of topics relevant to and skills for addressing dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, using a range of strategies with audiences throughout the institution.

Evangel University provides crime prevention education and information to students annually through programs such as:

- *Self Defense Training* as part of new student orientation.
- *Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention (SHARP)* training.
- *Residence Hall Access Control* protocols including informing students of their responsibility for entering and exiting the building so as to protect the safety of others *Issuance of Timely Warnings* to inform students of any criminal issues in order to prevent future incidents.
- National Campus Safety Awareness Month- social media campaign.
- Domestic Violence Hurts Everyone- Poster & electronic media campaign.
- *Green Dot* violence prevention program
- *EverFi Haven* sexual violence prevention education

### **Monitoring criminal activity off-campus:**

When an Evangel University student is involved in any off campus criminal activity, EU Department of Public Safety officers may assist with the investigation in cooperation with local, state, or federal law enforcement.

The Evangel University Department of Public Safety maintains a working relationship with the Springfield Police Department, whose officers work and communicate with EU Public Safety officers on serious incidents occurring on campus or in the immediate neighborhood. Evangel University does not operate any non-campus housing or non-campus student organization facilities.



**Pastoral and professional counselors reporting policy:**

In accordance with federal law U.S.C. Section 1092 (f), campus “Pastoral Counselors” and campus “Professional Counselors,” who are functioning only within the scope of their responsibilities as counselors (per the definitions below), are not considered to be campus security authorities and, therefore, are not required to report crimes for inclusion in the annual disclosure of campus crime statistics. It should be noted if a Pastoral Counselor or Professional Counselor qualifies as a CSA under some other standard, they are not exempt and are required to report crimes for inclusion in the annual disclosure of campus crime statistics.

As a matter of policy, however, they are encouraged, if and when they deem it appropriate, to inform persons being counseled of the procedures and requirement to report crimes for inclusion in the annual campus crime statistics.

The rulemaking committee defines counselors as:

**Pastoral Counselor**

An employee of an institution, who is associated with a religious order or denomination, is recognized by that religious order or denomination as someone who provides confidential counseling and is functioning within the scope of that recognition as a pastoral counselor.

**Professional Counselor**

An employee of an institution whose official responsibilities include providing psychological counseling to members of the institution’s community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

Evangel University is not required to issue a Timely Warning Notice with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.

# Important Phone Numbers

Keep these numbers handy in case you need assistance.

## Police

For all emergencies, on or off campus, dial 911

Non-emergency police phone number (417) 864-1810

## Public Safety

On campus phone system (417) 865-2815 Ext. 7000

Direct line (417) 575-8911

## Hospitals

Cox South Hospital (417) 269-6000

Mercy Hospital (417) 820-2000

## External Hotline Numbers

Victims Center Hotline (417) 864-7233

Sexual Assault Hotline (800) 656-4673

Domestic Assault Hotline (800) 799-7233