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FROM THE SECURITY DEPARTMENT

We are pleased to introduce the 2011 Ozark Christian College Security Department Annual Security and Fire Safety Report. This report is prepared to disseminate important information to the College community. With this publication, it is our intent to communicate not only mandatory information such as crime statistics and fire safety data, but also give insight into the many ways in which we strive to keep this community safe.

The 2011 Annual Security Report contains information regarding crime prevention programs offered at the college, tips on crime prevention and personal safety, instruction on reporting crimes and emergencies, and the Ozark Christian College (OCC) crime statistics, security-related policies and statements.

As you will see when you review the crime statistics section of this report, OCC is an extremely safe campus. We are thankful that God has protected us from violent crime. We also believe it is wise that we take certain precautions to ensure our campus remains free from crime and a place where we can grow in the “grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” Campus safety is the responsibility of all members of the campus community. Accordingly, we depend on every member of our community to report suspicious situations immediately to the Security Department and make good decisions that keep both themselves and others safe.

The Security Department employs numerous strategies in its mission of maintaining a safe and orderly environment for students, employees and visitors. In addition to patrolling the campus by foot and vehicle and conducting safety and lighting surveys, Campus Security provides escorts and motorist assistance, manages vehicle registration, controls building access using state-of-the-art technology, monitors campus traffic and parking, and responds to all emergencies and suspicious or unsafe situations.

OCC contracts with a national security company and campus security officers are trained to enforce campus rules and mandates, and intervene and report any violation of them. Campus security officers do not have arrest powers but may detain individuals for further questioning by police. Students, faculty, staff, and visitors are expected to cooperate with Campus Security when providing identification and reporting incidents which might result in a breach of campus-wide security.

The Security Department also partners with the campus community in the implementation of campus-wide strategies and programs to prevent and respond to criminal activity and other hazards. The ongoing efforts of the Campus Emergency Response Team, the continued updates to the Emergency Operation Plan and the proactive preparedness related OCCAlerts Emergency Notification System are examples of intensive efforts to provide the safest campus possible.

If you would like to learn more or wish to contact the Security Department you may call the Campus Security Office at 417-626-1234 extension 2044 or you may send an email to security@occ.edu.

THE CLERY ACT

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act is the landmark federal law, originally known as the Campus Security Act, which requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. The law was amended in 2000 to require schools beginning in 2003 to notify the campus community about where public “Megan’s Law” information concerning registered sex offenders on campus could be obtained.

The Campus Security Act requires colleges and universities to:

- Publish an annual report every year by October 1 that contains three years of campus crime statistics and certain campus security policy statements;
- Disclose crime statistics for the campus, public areas immediately adjacent to or running through the campus, and certain non-campus facilities and remote classrooms. The statistics must be gathered from campus security, local law-enforcement, and other college officials who have “significant responsibility for student and campus activities”;
- Provide “timely warning” notices of those crimes that have occurred and pose an ongoing “threat to students and employees”;
- Disclose in a public crime log “any crime that occurred on campus. . . or within the patrol jurisdiction of the campus security department and is reported to the security department”; and
- Maintain in a public fire log a record of any fire that occurred in an on-campus student housing facility.

The OCC Security Department is responsible for preparing and distributing this report. Crime statistics are compiled based on incidents reported to the Security Department as well as other campus security authorities – those with “significant responsibility for student and campus activities.”

Campus crime statistics are also collected from external agencies such as the Joplin Police Department. To learn more about the Clery Act, visit:

www.securityoncampus.org/schools/cleryact - click on “Get Informed.”

SECURITY DEPARTMENT MISSION

The stated purpose of the OCC Security Department is to provide a safe and secure environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors and the safeguarding of campus property and facilities from damage or loss. Our approach is to involve the entire college family in the process of maintaining a safe campus. The Security Department strives to create an atmosphere of comfort and safety to allow students to concentrate on academic issues and to allow employees to concentrate on student service and learning.

SECURITY DEPARTMENT LOCATION

The Security Department is a part of the Student Development Office located in the Casteel Administration Building. Security can be reached Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at 417-626-1234 x2044 or dial 2044 from a campus phone (non-emergencies). Security officers handle after hour calls and can be reached on a security officer cell phone at 417-825-5397.

SECURITY DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY

Our security officers do not make arrests. They do, however, provide a uniformed presence intended to deter crime and the means for the college to cooperate fully with local law enforcement officials.

CRIME REPORTING OPTIONS

It is the policy of Ozark Christian College to encourage the accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes to the Security Department or the appropriate law enforcement agency. Crimes, suspicious activities and emergencies should first be reported to the emergency response system by dialing 911. Secondly, call the campus Security Department to report the incident.

Please note that members of the OCC community have several reporting options. Victims or witnesses of a crime may report on a voluntary or confidential basis to several offices. Information concerning crimes can be reported on a voluntary, confidential basis to the Security Department directly for inclusion in the annual crime statistics. Counselors (pastors, etc.) who learn of a crime from a counselee should inform the counselee that the crime may be reported on a voluntary confidential basis to the Security Department for inclusion in the college's crime statistics only.

TIMELY WARNINGS

Upon receipt of information of a crime or a threat to students, staff and faculty, the Security Department will ensure timely notification of a crime or threat to all students, staff and faculty.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION POLICY

Ozark Christian College, in order to maintain a safe campus environment, has an emergency notification system (known as the OCCAlerts). Students will be asked each year to update their contact information in our student information system. At that time they will be given an option to sign up for the OCCAlerts. If they sign up to participate, they will be notified through text messaging and/or email of any serious emergency situation on campus.

It is the policy of Ozark Christian College to issue emergency notification alerts in an effort to notify OCC community members about certain crimes in and around our community in a timely manner. For the purposes of this policy, "timely manner" means that upon confirmation by college administrators, the campus community will be immediately notified of any significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or staff. Warnings may only be withheld if they would compromise efforts to contain

the emergency. Ozark Christian College complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act as mandated by the Department of Education. The OCCAlerts emergency notification system will only be used in significant emergency or dangerous situations involving an immediate threat. Frequent, non-emergency use of this system might compromise its effectiveness in a serious emergency situation. The OCCAlerts system will be used to provide instructions and information to all or an affected segment of the student population who have opted into the system before, during and after a situation where student health and safety may be compromised due to a natural disaster, criminal activity, and/or public health threat.

The President of the College (or an appointed designee in cases when the President is unavailable) is the only person authorized to activate the OCCAlerts emergency notification system. A recommendation for activation of the OCCAlerts will come through the Executive Vice President or the Executive Director of Student Development (or their designees when they are unavailable). The Executive Vice President or the Executive Director of Student Development, upon consultation with appropriate campus and community emergency personnel, will recommend to the President that the OCCAlerts system be activated. In some emergency situations, however, there may not be time for extensive consultation. In these cases the Executive Vice President, the Executive Director of Student Development and the President (or their designees) will make the most appropriate decision given the information available at the time.

OCCAlerts sign up instructions can be found in Appendix A of this report.

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

The preparedness of this campus in case of an emergency incident is a high priority issue. Any change in the national threat level will be closely monitored, as will any specific threats to the safety of the OCC community. Information concerning the safety and security of this campus will be disseminated to the community through all available avenues of campus communication (emails, text message system, etc.) and if applicable, any recommended campus actions will be detailed.

The OCC administration implements response protocols in cooperation with the Joplin/Jasper County Emergency Management Agency based upon the current threat level at the national and local level to mitigate risk at this institution. These response protocols activate different levels of operational activities undertaken by the college staff to provide enhanced services to the community and to engage the community in a collaborative state of vigilance against threatening activities. The OCC administration would like to make you aware of the impact that a heightened state of alert has to the campus community by providing general information about the institutional response the campus can expect and what is expected of community members during these uncertain times.

The OCC administration continually reviews and revises procedures that are needed to implement the state of preparedness policy during critical incidents that occur on campus. The new policy/procedure will include:

- Establishing an emergency response based on federally designed Incident Command System protocols;
- Implementing a Disaster Response Protocol model based upon an Incident Response Team comprised of high level campus administrators, an Emergency Operations Center comprised of major resource holders, and an Incident Command System team comprised of OCC personnel trained to coordinate on-scene activities at major incidents;
- Implementing an Early Warning System Emergency Program (OCCAlerts) to provide instant notification of the campus community to imminent dangerous conditions. Upon activation of the OCCAlerts, campus community members should:
 - Seek shelter within the closest building;
 - Follow instructions given through the OCCAlerts and other OCC personnel;
 - Minimize cell phone use to maximize emergency response usage;
 - If possible seek information about the emergency from www.OCC.edu

For the duration of any heightened threat condition, OCC personnel will engage in the following activities on a daily basis to augment normal safety and security activities:

- Maintaining an institutional liaison with local, state, and federal agencies to facilitate information sharing with the campus community; and
- Providing increased personnel visibility at designated areas and during campus special events.

What can you do as a community member? We are calling upon you as a member of the community to be vigilant in immediately reporting suspicious activity that you observe on campus. Your knowledge of personal space and areas you frequent on campus enable you to best judge persons or conditions that are out of place or suspicious. When you observe anything that seems out of the ordinary, we encourage you to immediately call Campus Security at 417-626-1234 x2044 (dial 2044 from a campus phone) or 417-825-5397. Your assistance in alerting authorities to suspicious conditions, events, or persons is a critical component of maintaining safe and secure campus and OCC is dependent on a collaborative campus community to maintain safety successfully at this institution.

Ozark Christian College's state-of-the-art campus emergency notification system, the OCCAlerts, sends messages instantly and simultaneously to all registered text message capable mobile phones, Blackberries, wireless PDAs, pagers, Smart or satellite phones, and/or email addresses. Students, faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to register - it only takes a minute to sign up (sign up instructions can be found in Appendix A of this report). This will be the surest way for you to receive notifications critical to your safety and well-being.

In case of an emergency situation on campus, we strongly encourage you to keep your own supply of food and water to last for at least a day or two. You should also consider keeping items such as a flashlight, spare batteries, a portable radio, medicine, and other necessary personal supplies in your office area and/or residence hall room. In the event of a campus emergency, with the help of our local Joplin/Jasper County Emergency Management Agency, we will utilize all available city, state and federal disaster relief agencies such as the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA).

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

The cooperation, involvement, and personal support of students in campus safety is crucial to the overall safety of the campus. Students must assume responsibility for their own personal safety and the security of their personal belongings by taking, simple common sense precautions. The students' awareness of their environment and their surroundings is the best place to start.

Residence Halls:

- Do not prop open the exterior door of your residence hall.
- Always lock your door; even if you leave for a few minutes.
- Close and lock your windows when you leave.
- Take care of your keys and access cards. Don't loan them out or give anyone a chance to take them from your room.
- Don't leave your valuables, like your wallet, checkbook, or jewelry, in open view.
- Close your blinds or shades in the evening.
- Engrave electronic items and record serial numbers of expensive items.
- Look out for your fellow students.
- Report any suspicious activity and crimes to the Security Department.

While traveling on and off campus:

- Be aware of your surroundings. Park in well-lit, heavily populated areas. Trust your instincts. If something doesn't feel right, find another place to park.
- If you have a cell phone, have it accessible.
- Do not leave valuable items visible in your vehicle.
- Always roll up your windows and lock your doors before leaving your vehicle.
- Walk with others to your vehicle whenever possible.
- Carry your keys in hand when you approach your vehicle.
- Look around and check the back seat of your vehicle before entering.
- Upon entering your vehicle immediately lock all doors.
- If you are involved in a minor collision in an isolated area, you may want to drive to a well-lit and populated area before stopping to assess your damage.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- While driving, if you notice that you are being followed drive to the nearest open store, service station, police station etc. for help. Blow your horn to draw attention to yourself. Try to get a description of the car following you and its license plate number.

DAILY CRIME LOG

The Security Department maintains a daily log. The log contains any reported incidents and crimes. The most recent 60-day period of the log is available to the public upon request during normal business hours – Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, except holidays. Any portion of the log older than 60 days will be available within two business days of a request for public inspection.

SECURITY AND ACCESS TO FACILITIES

OCC provides separate residence hall-style housing for both men and women. Students are issued a coded card key and a key to their individual residence hall room during the registration process. All keys are collected and accounted for at the end of each school year.

All exterior residence hall doors, with the exception of the card-reader doors, are alarmed doors. We also strongly encourage residents to lock their individual room doors whenever they leave – even for a short period of time. Security surveillance cameras are also present on campus.

Within the restraints of established policy, overnight guests of the same sex are permitted in the residence hall provided approval is obtained from the Resident Director.

Campus security officers, working with the Physical Plant Department (PPD), constantly monitor the exterior lighting on campus. Lights discovered not properly functioning are promptly reported to the Physical Plant Department and the necessary repairs are made. PPD also monitors areas of the facilities that directly impact campus security, such as doors, locks and broken windows.

PERSONAL SAFETY AND SELF-DEFENSE PROGRAMS

Safety and security related programs are part of the programming that the residential staff coordinate throughout the year. Specific safety and security tips and reminders are published periodically in the form of Security Memos. An all student safety and policy meeting is held each fall semester to inform students on safety and policy issues. In addition, each year self-defense instructors provide students with personal awareness and hands-on self-defense instruction. These events provide vital information on how to reduce the likelihood of being a victim of crime or sexual assault. The training is extremely popular and this program is constantly being expanded.

FIRE SAFETY



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Residence Halls

This report is published by Ozark Christian College in compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 and applies to student housing at the college.

ON CAMPUS HOUSING FIRE SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND STATISTICS

Ozark Christian College has six student residence halls. The chart below indicates the fire safety equipment in each hall as well as fire events for the past three calendar years. Fire alarm systems are independent to each residence hall. When an alarm is activated a local alarms sound throughout the residence hall. Residence Directors (RDs) and Residence Assistants (RAs) immediately start the evacuation process, assess the situation and if needed call the Joplin Fire Department (911).

<i>Residence Hall</i>	<i>Fire Statistics (Last 3 Calendar Years)</i>				<i>Fire Safety System</i>				
	<i>Total Number of Fires</i>	<i>Fire Related Deaths</i>	<i>Fire Related Injuries</i>	<i>Amount of Damage to Property</i>	<i>Local Detection and Alarm</i>	<i>Smoke Detectors</i>	<i>Pull Stations</i>	<i>Fire Procedures Posted</i>	<i>Fire Extinguishers</i>
Alumni Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Boatman Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dennis Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Goodman Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Strong Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Williamson Hall	0	0	0	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

- All residence halls are equipped with a Firelite Fire Alarm System installed in 2001 with the exception of Dennis Hall which has a Silent Knight Model #5208 Fire Alarm System installed in 2008. All residence halls are equipped in each residence room, lobby and boiler rooms with smoke alarm sensor Model#2-WB or Model #2-WTB.
- The Joplin Fire Department inspects the campus at least once a year to ensure the campus meets all fire codes.
- Joplin Fire Protection inspects all fire extinguishers at least once a year to ensure fire extinguishers are up to date and in proper working order.
- Once a month the Physical Plant inspects each Fire Alarm System’s history to ensure each system is working properly and has a good backup battery.

Supervised Fire Drills

Fire and evacuation drills are conducted in the residence halls each semester. The drills are supervised and conducted by the Student Development Office, Residence Directors and Residence Assistants. Students must participate in the fire drills. It is a violation of the college conduct code to not evacuate during a drill.

Evacuation Policy and Procedures

All students must evacuate a residence hall when a fire alarm sounds. The RDs and RAs living in each hall assist in the evacuation process. Residents are instructed on the location of the assembly area for their hall by the RAs. Residents are not permitted to re-enter the building until the “all clear” is given by a campus official or the Fire Department. Should weather conditions be inclement or the situation prohibits a timely re-entry, evacuated students will be temporarily relocated to another campus building.

Evacuation routes are posted on the emergency flip-chart located in the lobby and the hallway of each floor of the residence hall. Students should become familiar with multiple evacuation routes out of their building and leave from the nearest safe exit. Students evacuating should take only important personal possession within their immediate vicinity as well as shoes and outer clothing suitable for the weather.

RDs, RAs and students are to assist individuals with disabilities. If someone cannot be evacuated due to an injury or disability, notify the first emergency responder encountered as you are leaving the building.

Fire Safety Violations and Prohibitions

The *Ozark Christian College Student Life Handbook*, contains information on residence hall policies. Each freshman is issued a copy of the handbook when enrolling at Ozark Christian College. The Student Life Handbook is also located on the college website under Student Life. RDs and RAs conduct health and safety inspections of residence hall rooms on a periodic basis each semester. Listed below are fire safety guidelines and prohibitions.

- Nothing may be hung from or attached to ceilings or other horizontal surfaces above the head.
- Nothing may be hung or draped over electrical outlets, smoke detectors, lamps, or other items with the potential to ignite the item through excessive heat exposure.
- Electrical outlets and extension cords may not be overloaded.
- All extension cords must be UL (Underwriter Laboratory) certified and should not run across open areas of the floor.
- Surge protectors should be UL approved. Instead of extension cords, use surge protectors for multiple plugs. Surge protectors should not be linked to other surge protectors or be placed underneath carpets.
- Electric candle warmers, candles (including the wickless variety), incense or any other flames are prohibited in residence hall rooms or common areas. Evidence of violations will result in disciplinary action.
- The use of halogen and plastic multi-colored floor lamps is prohibited in residence hall rooms or common areas. Having such lamps will result in disciplinary action and immediate removal of the lamp.
- The use of cooking appliances in the residence halls with the exception of small coffeemakers in the residents' rooms and hot pots in the laundry rooms is prohibited. Foreman[®]-type grills are also prohibited in the residence halls.
- Ironing is not permitted in residents' rooms. Ironing boards are provided in each hall's laundry room. Students are responsible for providing their own automatic shut-off iron.
- No flammable materials or equipment that contains flammable materials (such as camping stoves, lanterns, etc.) may be stored in residence halls.
- Live Christmas trees are not allowed in residence halls. Residence Life staff in each building will provide guidelines for holiday decorations to residents.
- Keep room clear of fire hazards that are created through the accumulation of potentially flammable materials such as newspapers, magazines, boxes, etc.
- SMOKING is not permitted in any residence hall.
- Fireworks, flammable liquids or other hazardous materials are not permitted in Residence Halls.

- Tampering with fire alarm or fire protection systems or deliberating causing a false fire alarm are violations of the student conduct code and students found responsible are subject to strict sanctions.

Fire Safety Education and Training

RDs and RAs are staff who live in and supervise the college's residence halls. These employees receive annual fire safety, evacuation, and extinguisher training prior to residential students arriving for the fall semester. The staff holds educational floor meetings when students arrive on campus at which fire safety and evacuation procedures are covered with the resident students. Fire evacuation routes and procedures are posted in the lobby and on each floor of each residence hall.

Fire safety is reviewed with new employees during their orientation period. Specialized training is routinely provided to service employees (such as Dining Service and Housekeeping staff) who work in high occupancy campus buildings and residence halls. Each department manager and faculty chairperson is responsible to see that fire safety guidelines are followed in their respective areas. The *OCC Emergency Procedures Guide* is attached to the wall on every floor of every building on campus, distributed to selected staff and published on the college website outlines procedures for building evacuation and response to fire alarms.

The Physical Plant Department maintains an active working relationship with the City of Joplin Fire Marshall and consult with the Fire Marshall office on matters of fire safety when questions arise. The Fire Marshall's office conducts periodic inspections of campus facilities.

MISSING STUDENT POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Ozark Christian College takes student safety very seriously. To this end, the following policy and procedure has been developed in order to assist in locating OCC student(s) living in college-owned, on-campus housing, who based on the facts and circumstances known to the College are determined to be missing. This policy is in compliance with Section 488 of the Higher Education Act of 2008.

Most missing person reports in the college environment result from a student changing his/her routine without informing his/her roommates and/or friends of the change. Anyone who believes a student to be missing should report their concern to a Residence Director, a Campus Security officer or the Student Development Office. Every missing person report made to the campus will be followed up with an immediate investigation and the college will notify appropriate law enforcement agencies once a student has been missing for 24 hours. The college is required to notify a custodial parent, guardian, or designated contact person when student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated is determined to be missing. In the event that parental notification is necessary, the Dean of Students or a designee will place the call.

At the beginning of each academic year, residential students will be asked to provide, on a voluntary basis, emergency contact information in the event he/she is reported missing while enrolled at OCC. This emergency information will be kept in the Student Development Office and will be updated annually. Students can submit their emergency contact information using the Missing Student Emergency Contact Form located at www.OCC.edu/missing.

General Procedure

1. The OCC official receiving the report will collect and document the following information at the time of the report:
 - a. The name and relationship of the person making the report.
 - b. The date, time and location the missing student was last seen.
 - c. The general routine or habits of the suspected missing student (e.g. –visiting friends who live off-campus, working a job away from campus) including any recent changes in behavior or demeanor.
 - d. The missing student’s cell phone number (if known by the reporter).
2. The OCC official receiving the report will contact the Student Development Office in order to update them on the situation and to receive additional consultation. The Dean of Students or a designee will ascertain if/when other college administrators need to be contacted.
3. Upon notification from any entity that a student may be missing, OCC may use any or all of the following resources to assist in locating the student.
 - a. Call the student’s room.
 - b. Go to the student’s residence hall room.
 - c. Talk to the student’s RA, roommate, and floor mates to see if anyone can confirm the missing student’s whereabouts and/or confirm the date, time, and location the student was last seen.
 - d. Secure a current student ID (from the Student Development Office) or other photos of the student from a friend.
 - e. Call and text the student’s cell phone and call any other numbers on record.
 - f. Send the student an email.
 - g. Check all possible locations mentioned by the parties above including, but not limited to, library, residence hall lobbies, student center, fitness center, etc. Security officers, Residence Directors and Residence Assistants may be asked to assist in order to expedite the search process.
 - h. Contact or call any other on-campus or off-campus friends or contacts that are made known. This could include checking a student’s social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter.
 - i. Ascertain the student’s car make, model and license plate number. A thorough check of the College parking lots for the presence of the student’s vehicle will also be made to try to locate the missing student’s vehicle.

4. The OCC Information Technology Staff may be asked to obtain email or other network logs in order to determine the last log in and/or access of the OCC network.

5. Once all information is collected and documented and the Dean of Students or a designee is consulted, OCC staff may contact the local police to report the information. (Note: If in the course of gathering information as described above, foul play is evident or strongly indicated, the police can be contacted immediately.) If it is necessary to contact the local or state authorities, police procedure and protocol will be followed by the College.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

Ozark Christian College does not permit the use, possession, or sale of illegal (or improperly used) drugs or alcohol on the campus.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

Ozark Christian College is committed to providing a healthy, safe, learning environment for its students, employees and guests. Maintaining a healthy lifestyle is a way to honor Christ and serve as a witness to Him. It is the desire of Ozark Christian College that students and employees exhibit a Christian lifestyle, both on and off campus.

The Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 require the college to adopt and implement a program to prevent the use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol by students and employees. This program, described herein, is distributed annually to every student and employee of the college. A biennial review of this program will be performed to determine its effectiveness, to implement changes to the program, if changes are needed, and to ensure that the college's disciplinary sanctions are consistently enforced. This program will describe:

- Standards of Conduct
- Legal Sanctions
- Health Risks
- Resources
- College Discipline

Standards of Conduct

Ozark Christian College prohibits the possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs, alcoholic beverages and tobacco products by students and employees on its property or as part of any of its activities.

Legal Sanctions

Local, state and federal laws also prohibit the unlawful possession, use, distribution and sale of alcohol and illicit drugs. Criminal and civil penalties for violation of such laws range from fines up to \$20,000 and imprisonment for terms up to and including life.

Health Risks

Specific serious health risks are associated with the use of illicit drugs and alcohol. Some of the major risks are:

- *Alcohol and other depressants* (barbiturates, sedatives, and tranquilizers): addiction, accidents as a result of impaired ability and judgment, overdose when used with other depressants, damage to a developing fetus, heart and liver damage.
- *Marijuana*: addiction, panic reaction, impaired short-term memory, increased risk of lung cancer and emphysema (particularly in cigarette smokers), impairment of driving ability.
- *Cocaine*: addiction, heart attack, seizures, lung damage, severe depression, paranoia, psychosis. Similar risks are associated with other stimulants, such as speed and uppers.
- *Hallucinogens* (acid, LSD, PCP, MDMA, etc.): unpredictable behavior, emotional instability, violent behavior, organic brain damage in heavy users, convulsion, and coma.
- *Narcotics* (heroin, Demeral, morphine, Codeine, etc.): addiction, accidental overdose, risk of hepatitis and AIDS from contaminated needles.
- *Inhalants* (gas, aerosols, glue, nitrites, etc.): loss of consciousness, suffocation, damage to brain and central nervous system, sudden death, nausea and vomiting, nosebleeds, impaired judgment.
- *Methamphetamines*: addiction, irritability, sleeplessness, nervousness, sudden weight loss, pungent body odor, protrusion of eyes.

Resources

OCC Counseling Services: OCC provides opportunities for counseling services to students by individual appointments, or professional referral. An OCC counselor will help to assess a student's or employee's need and provide in-house counseling intervention or make appropriate referrals to area counseling services or agencies.

Resources for Drug & Alcohol Abuse:

Haven Counseling
22200 Kafir Road
Oronogo, MO 64855
417-673-0090

Care Counseling
3829 S Duquesne Rd.
Joplin, MO 64804
417-206-3500

Alcoholics Anonymous
104 N Webb St
Webb City, MO 64870
417-673-8591

Freed: Fellowship in Recovery
633 S. Pearl Ave.
Joplin, MO
417-624-5773 or 417-291-0699

Fellowship in recovery
Reconciliation to God and His family
Education about chemicals and addiction
Edification through faith in Christ
Dedicated services to others

Alcohol Treatment Center Help Line
800-711-6402

College Discipline

Violation of this policy will lead to disciplinary action up to or including expulsion for students and discharge for employees. Referral for prosecution may also result.

SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICY

Ozark Christian College strongly denounces sexual assault in any form. The college urges the prompt reporting of any incident to proper authorities. Victims of a sex crime on campus should report it immediately to the Security Department and /or the Dean of Men or Dean of Women's Office. Victims of a sex crime occurring off campus should report it immediately to the local police department. In all cases, the protection of any physical evidence is of the utmost importance.

The Dean of Men or Dean of Women's Office will assist students in receiving the necessary medical treatment and counseling. They will also assist student victims with changes in academic schedules and living arrangements, as is reasonable and within the college's control.

Within the guidelines of the disciplinary procedures, the accuser and the accused may have other individuals present during disciplinary proceedings. Furthermore, both the accuser and the accused shall be informed of the college's final determination and sanctions concerning any alleged incident.

The college may, upon final determination and confirmation of an alleged infraction (forcible or non-forcible), impose sanctions ranging from counseling to expulsion. These sanctions are not intended to replace potential criminal charges stemming from an alleged incident.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION

OCC's Security Department is not the custodian of the sexual offender's database. This falls under two County Sheriffs' Departments since the City of Joplin lies in two different counties. The telephone numbers for those counties are listed below.

- The number to call for Jasper County sexual offenders data is 417-624-1601.
- The number to call for Newton County sexual offenders data is 417-451-8300.

CRIME STATISTICAL REPORT INFORMATION

The statistical information provided below complies with the required reporting of the "Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policies and Campus Crime Statistics Act." Crime statistics for the most recent three-year periods are published. These statistics reflect incidents reported to Ozark Christian College Security Department and the Joplin Police Department, and involve incidents occurring on campus, in residential housing and areas adjacent to the college.

The statistical data reported is compiled from records maintained by the Security Department, the Student Development Office and the Joplin Police Department. The criminal offenses are classified using the "Clery Act" crime definitions. The "Clery Act" defines the location categories used. "Non Residential" indicates the violation occurred on campus grounds or in a building not used for student housing. "Residential" indicates it occurred in a college owned

residence hall. “Public Property” is public property such as parks and streets adjacent to the campus. “Non-Campus” refers to any building or property located off campus and owned by the college or controlled by a student organization officially recognized by the college.

The reader should keep in mind that some crime victims may choose not to report offenses to campus or local law enforcement authorities and violations listed may result in both arrest and disciplinary referral for the same offense. Other types of unacceptable conduct such as thefts and vandalism occur on college campuses. All criminal activity is detrimental to the college community, and strong measures including dismissal are taken against offenders.

CLERY ACT CRIME DEFINITIONS:

Aggravated Assault

An unlawful attack by one person upon another person for the purposes of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. (It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used which could, and probably would, result in serious personal injury if the crime were successfully completed.)

Arson

Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Burglary

The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or theft. For reporting purposes the definition includes: unlawful entry with the intent to commit a larceny or felony; breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking; safe-cracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

Drug Law Violations

Violations of state and local laws relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs. The relevant substances include: opium or cocaine and their derivatives (Morphine, Heroin, Codeine); Marijuana; synthetic narcotics (Demerol, Methadone); and dangerous non-narcotic drugs (Barbiturates, Benzedrine).

Hate Crimes

Crimes that manifest evidence of prejudice based on race, religion, sexual orientation or ethnicity.

Liquor Law Violations

The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting: the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possession of intoxicating liquor; maintaining unlawful drinking places; bootlegging; operating a still; furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; drinking on a train or public conveyance; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned. (Drunkenness and driving under the influence are not included in this definition.)

Manslaughter by Negligence

The killing of another person through gross negligence.

Motor Vehicle Theft

The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. (Classify as motor vehicle theft all cases where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access even though the vehicles are later abandoned, including joy riding.)

Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter

The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Non-campus Building or Property

Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

On Campus

Any building or property owned or controlled by the institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in the direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's educational purposes, including residence halls; and any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to paragraph (1) of this definition, that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as food or other retail vendor).

Public Property

All public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the property.

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.

Sex Offenses

Forcible:

Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

Forcible Rape: The carnal knowledge of a person, forcible and/or against that person's will; or not forcible or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his or her youth).

Forcible Sodomy: Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is

incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Sexual Assault with an Object: The use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Forcible Fondling: The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against the person's will; or not forcibly and/or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent incapacity.

Non-Forcible:

Incest: Non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

Statutory Rape: Non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Weapon 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.

FURTHER CAMPUS SAFETY INFORMATION

Further information about campus safety can be obtained from OCC's Security Department located in the Student Development Office area of the Casteel Administration Building or by calling 417-626-1234 ext. 2044 or dialing 2044 from a campus phone.

CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS TABLE 2010

The statistical information provided on the next page complies with the required reporting of the "Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policies and Campus Crime Statistics Act." Crime statistics for the most recent three-year periods are published. These statistics reflect incidents reported to Campus Security Officers and involve incidents occurring on campus, in residential housing and in areas adjacent to the college campus.

Ozark Christian College Campus Crime Statistics 2010	On Campus Total			On Campus Residence Hall			Non- Campus Property			Public Property		
	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Criminal Offences	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Murder/Non-negligent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Forcible Sex Offense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Incest		0	0		0	0		0	0		0	0
- Statutory Rape		0	0		0	0		0	0		0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	3	3	4	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny-Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intimidation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referrals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referrals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Law Violations	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referrals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Actions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10	08	09	10
Race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Orientation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Please refer to the definitions section of the Campus Security Policies for definitions of the above reportable crimes and definitions of; On Campus, Non-Campus Property, and Public Property.

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Text the word **OCCALERTS** to **888777**.

You will automatically be signed up
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on your cell phone.

By signing up you'll receive alerts anytime there is an emergency on campus that causes the campus to close unexpectedly or if there is an incident that may pose a safety concern for the community.



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