

# CAMPUS SAFETY AND THE CLERY ACT

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security and Campus Crime Statistics Act is the landmark federal law that requires colleges and universities to disclose important security policies, timely, annual information about crime on and around campus, and CSU's policies on drugs and alcohol. Information must also be published concerning interpersonal violence policies and resources.

## Crime Statistics—Annual Update

The Colorado State University Police Department (<http://police.colostate.edu>) is responsible for releasing campus crime statistics to the CSU community. The Annual Fire and Safety Report (<http://police.colostate.edu/clery-act>) (<http://police.colostate.edu/clery-act>) informs the CSU community about important policies, crime prevention programs, and crime statistics for the previous three years concerning reported crimes that occurred on-campus, in certain off-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by CSU, and on public property adjoining campus. It also contains fire safety information and the past three years' fire statistics for the residence halls.

The Annual Fire and Safety Report is sent by email to all students and employees when the report is released in the fall. It can be found online on the safety website (<http://safety.colostate.edu>), or a printed copy may be obtained at the CSU Police Department in Green Hall.

## Emergency Notifications and Timely Warnings

The Clery Act requires the university to notify the campus community about serious threats to safety on campus. When there is an immediate threat to health and safety on or approaching the physical grounds of campus, the university will issue an emergency notification to students, faculty and staff. When appropriate, those notifications will be limited to those directly affected by the threat, and not sent campus-wide.

Notifications may be made through any or all of the following methods:

- CSU e-mail system
- Emergency text alert system
- Posting to the safety website (<http://safety.colostate.edu>)
- Social media
- Mass notification via recorded emergency telephone calls from police
- Emergency alert cable television system

When the threat is no longer deemed serious or immediate, a statement will be issued indicating the return to normal conditions.

When a crime covered under the Clery Act has been committed on campus property, but the facts do not indicate that the issuance of an emergency notification is appropriate, then the university may determine that a timely warning notification should be issued. The purpose of a timely warning is to keep the campus community informed about safety and security issues on an ongoing basis and to aid in the prevention of similar crimes. To warrant a timely warning, the crime committed must be determined by the university to constitute a serious and continuing threat to students or employees. Such a warning puts the community on alert, helps to educate students and employees about dangers on campus, and in some cases, may even lead to the apprehension of a suspect or

reduction of the threat. A timely warning may also be shared if a crime occurs off-campus, on property covered by the Clery Act.

For more information about emergency notifications and timely warning procedures, see the Annual Fire and Safety Report (<http://police.colostate.edu/clery-act>).

## Missing Student Notification

When a student who resides in campus housing is reported missing, the university will initiate an investigation to determine whether the student is indeed missing. If there is good cause to believe the student is missing, the university may, among other measures, attempt to contact the individual or individuals designated by the student as his or her confidential emergency contacts. In the case of an unemancipated minor under the age of 18, the student's parents or guardian may be contacted. CSU Police will also be contacted, if they have not already been notified of the concern.

If you believe a CSU student is missing, you should immediately contact the CSU Police Department by calling (970) 491-6425. See the missing student notification procedures in the Annual Fire and Safety Report (<http://police.colostate.edu/clery-act>) for more information.

## Registered Sex Offenders

The CSU Police Department is required to notify the CSU community about where public information regarding registered sex offenders can be obtained, according to Megan's Law. A current listing of sex offenders is available at the Colorado Bureau of Investigation Convicted Sex Offender Site (<https://www.colorado.gov/apps/cdps/sor>).

## CSU Police Department Services

The CSU Police Department offers additional services to the CSU community.