

# Rhodes State College Campus Safety & Security Information

## Personal Responsibility

Members of the Rhodes State faculty, staff, students and visitors are encouraged to be aware of their surroundings and be responsible for their personal safety. Although we try to ensure the safety of the campus population by keeping the grounds well lit and patrolled, crime can occur.

We publish crime statistics so that students, faculty, staff and our visitors will be aware of the potential for crime. We subscribe to the philosophy that publicizing crime and campus safety information will only help make the campus safer.

## Reporting Crime

The campus encourages prompt, accurate reporting of crimes or suspicious incidents. Any phone on campus may be used. **NO COINS REQUIRED--JUST DIAL 8499.** All pay phones are equipped to reach the county-wide 9-1-1 emergency system which connects you to all law enforcement agencies, emergency medical services and fire departments.

## Crime Prevention

Safety is a concern everywhere in society, and Rhodes State is no exception. There are many ways to promote security and avoid unsafe situations. An understanding of basic safety principles, a little caution and lots of common sense are your best protection. Rhodes State is committed to providing a safe environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors. Trees and shrubs are well maintained and trimmed back away from buildings and walkways. The parking lots and sidewalks are well lit for your comfort.

Crime prevention and awareness pamphlets and a variety of informational pamphlets ranging from date rape, personal safety, wellness and educational programs are available from the Student Activities Office, Galvin Hall, Room 066 and Student Affairs, Public Service Building, Room 148. The Security Office works closely with Stu-

dent Activities concerning matters of general safety. For more information on campus safety, wellness and other programs available, contact Student Activities, Galvin Hall, Room 066, (419) 995-8415 or the Security Office, Tech Lab, Room 140B, (419) 995-8078.

## Notice to Campus Community

On July 1, 1997, a law went into effect concerning Sex Offender Registration and Notification. Under that law, convicted sex offenders must register for a period of time with their local county sheriffs. Sex offenders are classified as 1) sexually oriented offenders, 2) habitual sex offenders, and 3) sexual predators. The local Sheriff's office is required to notify various entities on the Rhodes State College and OSU-Lima Campus when a sexual predator or a habitual sex offender, who the court determines is subject to community notification, moves into a specific geographical location. The Safety/Security Department maintains a binder of currently registered sex offenders living in the immediate area. Contact the Allen County Sheriff's office directly at (419) 227-3535 for more information. Or go to the Security website at [www.RhodesState.edu/Security](http://www.RhodesState.edu/Security).

## Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention

Rhodes State prohibits the illegal use, production, manufacture, sale, distribution and/or possession of alcohol, drugs or controlled substances on campus. In addition, the misuse of substances which present physical or psychological hazards to individuals is prohibited. Penalties for violations of these regulations are set forth in the Code of Student Conduct found on the Rhodes State website including specific details concerning sanctions. Copies are available through the Student Affairs Office located in the Public Service Building Room 148.

## Student Escort Service

Even though parking lots and sidewalks are well lit in the evening, if you don't feel comfortable walking alone,

call the Security Office at ext. 8499 for an escort to your vehicle. Alternatives include walking with a friend or in groups.

## Safety Steps to Follow:

- Lock your doors when driving and parked
- Park near well-lit areas
- Scan the area when you approach your car
- Have keys ready
- Look in the back seat before you get inside
- Travel in groups or buddy system
- Be alert!
- Report suspicious behavior to (419) 995-8499

## Campus Buildings

Most campus academic facilities are open from 7 a.m. until the last evening class lets out. The campus technical training centers and computer labs are monitored by lab assistants with posted hours for daily and weekend usage. The physical facilities director is responsible for maintenance of buildings and grounds. Campus lighting and general conditions are constantly being evaluated regarding safety. A program to upgrade lighting, roads and walkways has been implemented. The Physical Plant on campus is staffed by 16 full-time employees.

## Important Phone Numbers

Rhodes Security	419-995-8078
Emergencies	9-1-1
Security (Radio)	419-995-8499
Escort Service	419-995-8499
OSU Police	419-995-8410
Rhodes Operator	419-995-8000
Bath Fire/Rescue	9-1-1/419-221-1221
Allen Co. Sheriff	9-1-1/419-227-3535

*This information is provided by Rhodes State College as part of its commitment to safety on campus and in compliance with the Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act of 1990. For more information on the safety programs outlined in this document, please call the Security Office at (419) 995-8078. It is in the interest of your safety that you become familiar with this material.*

### The Campus

The campus is the home of two institutions, Rhodes State College and The Ohio State University at Lima. The non-residential 565-acre campus has nine public buildings. Rhodes State has nearly 4,000 students and over 250 faculty and staff.

Departments involved in keeping the campus safe:

1. Campus Security (419) 995-8499
2. Ohio State University Police Division (419) 995-8410
3. Physical Plant (419) 995-8389
4. Student Activities (419) 995-8415

Individuals with these offices are employed by one of the two institutions; a cost-share arrangement exists between the two institutions for all of these services.

### Campus Security

The Campus Security Office is staffed by a Security Director, Supervisor, full-time security officers, and part-time officers. The office is responsible for security and parking on campus. The duties and responsibilities of the Security Office and its staff are outlined within this flyer and the college catalog. Copies are available to campus visitors from the following locations:

- Security Office, Tech Lab 140
- Student Affairs, Public Service Building 148
- OSU Police Division, Galvin Hall 134

The Ohio State University Police Division employs a uniformed police office on campus, Monday through Friday and during special events.

### Clery & Campus SaVE Act Reportable Crime Statistics

Crime	2012	2013	2014
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0
Non-forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0
Simple Assault	1	0	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0	0	0
Larceny/Theft	11	2	4
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	0
Arson	0	0	0
Vandalism/Damage to Property	8	5	1
Domestic Violence	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0
Arrests	1	0	1
Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violation	1	0	1
Weapons Offense	0	0	0
Trespass	0	0	0

*No Hate Crimes reported during these years*



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