

2013 Annual Safety and Security Report

Rhodes State College
Safety and Security Department

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Introduction

The 2013 Annual Safety and Security Report is provided in compliance with the 1998 Jeanne Clery Disclosure Act. The report informs the campus community about important procedures, policies, crime prevention programs, and other campus statistics. An email is sent each year to all current students and staff advising them that the report can be accessed on the Rhodes State College Website at: http://www.Rhodesstate.edu/security-safety. Hard copies of the report may be obtained from the Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department or they can be printed from the website. Prospective employees and students are afforded the same information at the time they obtain an application for employment or admission. Any person may have access to the report.

Compilation of information for the report as well as criminal statistical data as required by the Act is accomplished through cooperative efforts with Student Affairs, Human Resources, Judicial Affairs, Deans, the President of Rhodes State College, the Athletic Director, local law enforcement agencies as well as the Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department.

Criminal statistics for off-campus properties used by the college and public property that is adjacent to the college were obtained from the local law enforcement agencies.

Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department

The Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department is located in Tech. Lab 140 and is manned 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Safety and Security Department is staffed by a full-time Director, a full-time Supervisor, 2 full-time Security Officers, 10 part-time Security Officers and 6 student workers. Three of the 12 officers hold a commission with a local Law Enforcement Agency which permits them to carry a firearm while on duty, but their arrest powers are limited to felony arrests as are all the Security Officers.

Rhodes State College relies on the Allen County Sheriff's Office and the Ohio State Highway Patrol to handle any misdemeanor arrests that might occur on campus. The Ohio State Highway Patrol regularly patrols our campus and assists the Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department in enforcing parking regulations. Since Rhodes State College is a state college, the Ohio State Highway Patrol has law enforcement jurisdiction. The Rhodes State College Safety and Security Department has a good working relationship with both of these agencies, and it will continue to work closely with both of the agencies to improve the safety of the Rhodes State College campus. The Bath Township Fire Department provides EMS and Fire Service for Rhodes State College.

Reporting Crime and Requesting Security Assistance

The campus encourages prompt, accurate reporting of crimes or suspicious activity. Any phone on campus can be used to reach the campus security department. NO COINS ARE REQUIRED – JUST DIAL 8499. All pay phones are equipped to reach the county-wide 911 emergency system which connects you to all the local law enforcement agencies, emergency medical services and fire departments. In the event the security officers are out of the office, the 8499 number still rings into their

radio so they can still answer the calls and provide service to the campus. The campus is also equipped with a number of call boxes throughout the campus, and they ring into the security officer's radio as well. The campus security office encourages all staff, faculty and students to report crimes to their office or the local law enforcement agency.

The campus Safety and Security Department provides student and staff escort services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, if a student or staff is uncomfortable walking to the parking lot by themselves. The Safety and Security Department encourages students and staff to walk with another friend or a group of people when going to their vehicle in the evening. The parking lots are well lit and the Safety and Security Department along with the Maintenance Department regularly check the lighting to ensure that burned out lights are replaced when needed. The maintenance and security departments work cooperatively to identified and correct maintenance issues with campus facilities.

Crime Prevention Programs

Safety is a concern everywhere in society, and the Rhodes State College campus 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 College is committed to providing a safe environment for students, faculty, staff and visitors of the campus community. The trees and shrubs on campus are maintained and trimmed back away from buildings and walkways. For the safety of the students, staff and faculty, the parking lots and sidewalks are well lit.

Crime prevention and awareness pamphlets and a variety of informational pamphlets ranging from date rape, personal safety, wellness and other topics are available from the Student Activities Office, Galvin Hall, Room 066. The Security Office works closely with the Student Activities Office concerning matters of general safety. For more information on campus safety, wellness and other programs available to you, please contact Student Activities, Galvin Hall, Room 066, (419) 995-8415 or the Security Office, Tech. Lab, Room 140B, (419)995-8078.

Access to Campus Buildings

Most campus academic buildings are open from 7 a.m. until the last evening class lets out. The campus technical training centers and computer labs maintain standard hours of operations. These areas are monitored by lab assistants with posted hours for daily and weekend usage. Access to campus buildings on weekends is limited and only authorized individuals are granted access. The Safety and Security Department provides assistance for accessing buildings outside normal classroom hours.

Emergency Notification

Under the direction of the President of Rhodes State College and the Vice President of Business/Treasurer, the college will initiate a notification to the campus community upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of the campus community, unless the notification at that time will compromise efforts to contain the emergency. The Rhodes State Emergency Response Team, upon determining that a significant emergency or dangerous situation exists, will immediately disseminate emergency information to the affected parts of the campus community through the following methods or notification which include but are not limited to outdoor speakers (Bullhorns), local radio stations, building coordinators, campus email system for students, staff and faculty, campus website, portable electronic signs and/or the mass email, text and phone emergency notification system (Rhodes Alert). The testing of these systems are done annually.

Specific information on evacuations can be found at:

http://www.rhodesstate.edu/en/About%20Rhodes/College%20Offices%20and%20Departments/Security -Safety/Emergency%20Information.aspx. Assembly points are designated for each building, as well as for a campus evacuation. Evacuation drills are completed at least annually.

Alcohol and Drug Use

Rhodes State College 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 also prohibited. The Rhodes State College sends out an official notification to all students in the mail (sent from the Vice President of Student Affairs). The notification meets the educational requirement. The Rhodes State College also holds workshops on campus from time to time sponsored by Student Activities or the Counseling Office.

<u>Penalties for violations of these regulations are set forth in the Code of Student Conduct page 252 of College Catalog.</u>

Notice to Campus Community – Sex Offenders

On July 1, 1997, a new 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 sheriff's office. Sex offenders are classified as 1) sexually orientated offenders, 2) habitual sex offenders, and 3) sexual predators. The local sheriff's office is required to notify various entities at Rhodes State College when a sexual predator or a habitual sex offender, who the court determines is subject to community notification, moves into a specific geographical area. The Safety and Security Department maintains a binder of currently registered sex offenders living in the immediate area. The Allen County Sheriff's Office can be contacted directly at (419) 227-3535 for more information. Individuals can also go to the Security website at www.Rhodesstate.edu/security and click on the link under additional resources. http://www.esorn.ag.state.oh.us/.

Addressing and Prevention of Sexual Offenses

Rhodes State College is committed to providing a safe, secure environment for students, faculty and visitors to Rhodes State College. Accordingly, Rhodes State College has set forth a program for the prevention and prompt reporting of on-campus forcible and non-forcible sexual offenses, in accordance with revisions of the Student Right-to-Know and Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 (P. L. 101-542).

Education and Prevention Programs

Rhodes State College has amended its annual report of on-campus crime statistics to include forcible and non-forcible sex offenses, in lieu of the single category of rape used on previous reports, in compliance with the Campus Security Act. Copies of the annual report (required by the Student Rightto-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990) which details on-campus crime statistics for the three previous calendar years may be obtained at the following locations:

- Student Advising and Development Center, 148 Public Service Bldg.
- Human Resources Office, 228 Public Service Bldg.
- Student Activities Office, 066 Galvin Hall
- Campus Security Office, Tech Lab, Room 140B

Crime Prevention materials concerning personal safety on campus, rape and date or acquaintance rape are available at the Office of Student Activities, 066 Galvin Hall or the Campus Security Office, 140B Tech Lab. During the academic year, the Campus Security Office and the Office of Student Activities may provide sex crime prevention information through campus publications such as the *Communicator* and by direct presentations to student groups on request.

Procedure for Reporting On-Campus Sex Offenses

Students are strongly encouraged to report any sex offenses or attempted sex offense directed toward themselves or others as soon as possible after the offense occurs to campus security by dialing 8-4-9-9 and/or to the appropriate law enforcement agency by dialing 9-1-1 from any campus telephone, including pay telephones, which may be operated without coins for such emergencies. If emergency medical assistance is needed, it can be summoned by dialing 9-1-1 from any campus telephone without charge. In order to preserve any physical evidence of a sexual offense, victims of sexual assault are urged not to bathe, shower, use any feminine douche or change clothing. Such victims should go immediately to a medical facility of their choice to receive medical treatment, if needed, and to insure that the appropriate examinations are conducted to collect the necessary physical evidence of the assault.

The cost of medical treatment or examination of the victim of a sexual assault for physical evidence shall be charged to the political sub-division where the offense occurred (Ohio Revised Code Statutes 2907.28 and 2907.29). There is no cost to the crime victim for such medical treatment or examination in Ohio.

Options in Reporting Sex Offenses to Local Law Enforcement Agencies

Students who become victims of sexual assaults are strongly encouraged to report such offenses to the appropriate law enforcement agency. If the offense occurs on the Lima Campus, the student has the option of notifying the Ohio State Highway Patrol or the Allen County Sheriff's Department. Both law enforcement agencies have jurisdiction over criminal matters on the Lima campus. The appropriate law enforcement agency can be contacted by dialing 9-1-1 from any campus telephone, including pay telephones, without cost. Students may request assistance in making such a report to a law enforcement agency from any member of the campus faculty and staff or from security personnel.

Available Counseling

Attending college can be one of the best times in a person's life. It is often a time of meeting new friends, having new experiences and discovering a new sense of freedom. For many though, this time is also met with a variety of new stresses and problems.

Rhodes State provides Counseling Services to any student who needs help understanding the problems they are facing. Students work with a counselor to learn new ways to cope or make positive life changes. College students who take the time to speak with a professional counselor are often able to resolve their personal problems and feel better faster than if dealing with the problems by themselves.

Common Problems that Students often bring to a Counselor include:

- Feeling of being overwhelmed
- Adjusting to new responsibilities
- Managing time and/or procrastinating
- Lacking motivation
- Making decisions
- Relating with family, friends and/or significant others
- Test taking anxiety
- Feelings of sadness, loneliness or depression
- Eating, drinking or drug use behaviors that are of concern
- Coping with an illness
- Expressing anger appropriately

The Counselor

Greg Stephens (419) 995-8865 Galvin Hall Room 204-H

If you are in need of immediate assistance and cannot contact the counselor, please call the We Care Crisis Center at 1-800-567-HOPE.

Counseling and Crime Victim Assistance are also available for sex crime victims through the Allen County Crime Victim Services at (419) 222-8666.

Academic Assistance for Sex Offense Victims

Rhodes State College will make every effort to assist sex offense victims who request changes in their academic situation after an alleged sex offense, if such changes can be reasonably made. Students who need modification of their academic situation should contact either the Vice President for Academic Affairs (Public Service Building Room 219, Telephone 419-995-8357) or the Vice President for Student Affairs (Public Service Building Room 220, Telephone 419-995-8439).

Procedure for Disciplinary Action in Case of Alleged Sex Offense on Campus

If a student of Rhodes State College is charged with a sex offense, the College's current procedure for non-academic disciplinary infractions will be used to adjudicate the matter. The procedure for hearing non-academic disciplinary cases is outlined in the Code of Student Conduct published in the Rhodes State Catalog & Student Handbook. Both the complaining party and the accused party will be entitled to the same opportunities to have other persons of their choice present during the institutional disciplinary proceeding for advice and support. Both parties will be notified in writing of the outcome of any institutional disciplinary proceeding.

Sanctions that may be imposed against a student found responsible for a Sex Offense

Sanctions to be imposed by Rhodes State College as a result of a student being found guilty of a sex offense in violation of the Code of Student Conduct will vary based on the type and seriousness of the violation. Sanctions will take into consideration mitigating circumstances as well as aggravating factors such as past misconduct or failure to comply with previous sanction conditions. Sanctions to be imposed may include disciplinary warning, disciplinary probation, suspension, dismissal, restitution or various combinations of such sanctions as deemed appropriate by the hearing official, panel or committee.

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Crime Statistics Chart

	(On Campus Off Campus*		Public Property Bordering Campus					
Crime	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses –									
Forcible:									
Forcible Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
with Object									
Forcible Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Forcible:									
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault									
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Theft									
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Illegal Weapons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Possession									
Drug Law	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violations	0							0	0
Liquor Law	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violations	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Disciplinary	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012	2010	2011	2012
Referral	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possession	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violations									
Liquor Law	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violations									

*Off Campus locations:

- Ford/Rhodes Training Center in Lima, Ohio
- YMCA in Lima, Ohio where Rhodes State College operates a daycare center in combination with the Childhood Development Program it offers to students
- Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Center of Lima/Allen County
- 124 Putman Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio
- 809 Fountaine Street, Kenton, Ohio
- ➤ The Lima Police Department, the Allen County Sheriff's Office, the Ottawa Police Department, the Putman County Sheriff's Office, the Kenton Police Department and the Hardin County Sheriff's Office were contacted and requested to provide crime statistics for the locations within their jurisdiction.

Hate Crimes: There were no Hate Crimes reported for the reporting period.

Appendix A

Campus Safety & Security Information Brochure

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY

Members of the Rhodes State faculty, staff, students and visitors are encouraged to be aware of their surroundings and to be responsible for their personal safety. Although we try to insure the safety of the campus population by making sure grounds are well lit and patrolled, crime does 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 country-wide **9-1-1** emergency system which connects you to all law enforcement agencies, emergency medical services and fire departments.

CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS

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The campus <u>Communicator</u>, a weekly newsletter provides necessary information to the campus population. For more information on campus safety, wellness and other programs available to you, please contact Student Activities, Galvin Hall, Room 066, (419) 995-8415 or the Security Office, Tech Lab, Room 140B, (419) 995-8078.

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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 any suspicious behavior to (419) 995-8499.

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 in the Rhodes State catalog. Specific details concerning Rhodes State policies, including sanctions, are also outlined in the drug-free campus brochure available on Rhodes State's website at www.RhodesState.edu and copies are available through the Student Affairs Office located in the Public Service Building, 2nd floor.

STUDENT ESCORT SERVICE

During the evening hours, the parking lots and sidewalks are well lit for your comfort. If you don't feel comfortable walking alone, call the Security Office at ext. 8499 and someone will escort you to your vehicle. Alternatives include walking with a friend or in groups.

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 maintain standard hours of operation. These areas 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.

Physical Plant on campus is staffed by sixteen fulltime employees.

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.

We trust your stay or visit to our campus will be rewarding. If we can be of assistance to you, please call us at (419) 995-8078 or visit the Security Office in Technical Education Laboratory (Tech Lab), Room. 140B.

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 eight public buildings.

Rhodes State's enrollment is over 4,300 students who are enrolled in day, evening and weekend classes. Over 250 faculty and staff work at Rhodes State, not including student employees.

Those involved in keeping the campus safe work in offices such as:

- 1. Campus Security (419) 995-8499,
- 2. Physical Plant (419) 995-8389 and
- 3. Student Activities (419) 995-8415.

All individuals connected 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 employees. 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 campus safety flyer and the college catalog and student handbook. Copies are available to campus visitors from the following locations:

- --Galvin Hall, Room 066
- --Security Office in Tech Lab, Room 140B
- --Public Service Building, Room 148

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

	Phone System			
Office	On Campus	Off Campus		
	On dampus	on campus		
Security Office	8078	995-8078		
Emergencies	8499	911		
Security (radio)	8499	995-8499		
Escort Service	8499	-		
Rhodes State Operator	0	(419) 221-1112		
OSU Operator	0	(419) 221-1641		
Bath Fire/Rescue	911	(419) 221-1221		
Allen Co. Sheriff	911	(419) 227-3535		

CRIME STATISTICS

Crime	2010	2011	2012				
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	0	0	1				
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0	0	0				
Larceny/Theft	21	17	11				
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	1				
Arson	0	0	0				
Vandalism/Damage to Property	9	8	2				
Arrests:	4	0	1				
Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0				
Drug Abuse Violation	2	0	1				
Weapons Offense	0	0	0				
Trespass	1	0	0				



CAMPUS SAFETY & SECURITY INFORMATION

Rhodes State College 4240 Campus Drive Lima, Ohio 45804 (419) 995-8078 or (419) 995-8499 www.RhodesState.edu/security

Appendix B

Crime Data