

Safety Notice



The following timely information is provided to help you make informed decisions about your safety and to aid in the prevention of similar incidents:

The university has received multiple reports of incidents occurring this weekend, August 28-August 30. There were four separate incidents originating at on-campus fraternity houses. Three incidents included a reported sexual assault, and two incidents included suspected drugging.

Not all of these reports were reported to law enforcement. Because these matters may involve ongoing investigations, the university is providing this information based on the reports it has received at this time. Every sexual assault incident is different for each individual, and the university supports and respects the decisions made by the students involved on how they wish to proceed.

Information we want you to know about your safety and the safety of all Volunteers:

How to report a crime:

- In an emergency, call 911 or UTPD at 865-974-3111
- Download the [Safe at UT](#) app to speak directly to UTPD via emergency call or text.

You are not alone. If you or someone you know has experienced sexual assault, please utilize campus or community resources:

- [Office of Title IX](#) for private on-campus support
- [Sexual Assault Center of East Tennessee](#) for confidential off-campus support

It is important to remember that sexual misconduct is never the fault of the victim.

During a sexual encounter, each person has a responsibility for obtaining **Consent** from the other person. “Consent” means an active agreement to participate in a sexual act. An active agreement is words and/or conduct that communicate a person’s willingness to participate in a sexual act.

'Going out' Safety Tips

- Adding any substance to someone’s drink without their knowledge or consent is never acceptable.
- Use a buddy system at social events and don’t leave friends behind.
- Have a plan when going out and share these plans with someone you trust.
- Practice responsible drinking and know your own limits for alcohol.
- UTK offers [amnesty](#) to both students who call for help and the impaired student(s). No formal disciplinary action will be taken against either.
- Be aware of your drink at all times.

Utilize campus resources for [mental and emotional health support](#).

Vols **ACT** – practice being an [active bystander](#)!

Review and follow additional [Safety Tips](#).

The Jeanne Clery Campus Safety Act requires universities to notify their community about potential serious or on-going

threats to campus. For more information about Clery Compliance, visit the [Clery Website](#).

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