



## Clery Compliance

The UT Police Department received reports of two separate incidents. These incidents are unrelated. However, in an effort to provide timely and accurate information to our students, staff, and faculty members, the following information is being provided to you so that you can make informed decisions about your safety.

On Wednesday, October 27, around 10:00 pm the UT Police Department was notified about a carjacking that occurred at the UT Intramural Fields on Sutherland Avenue.

While walking to her vehicle at the Intramural Fields parking lot, a student was approached by an unknown male and female suspect believed to be in their teens. The male suspect displayed a handgun in his waistband and demanded her vehicle. The student complied and the suspects fled north with the vehicle. Due to the location of the incident, this report is being handled by the Knoxville Police Department.

### **Information we want you to know about your safety and the safety of all Volunteers.**

- Carjacking is a frightening situation and there are no set rules to follow. Trust your instincts.
- If you think it is possible, try to get away. However, your safety and your life are more important than a vehicle.

- In the event of a carjacking, report the crime immediately to the police and provide as much detail as possible.
  - Inform police if your vehicle has a GPS tracking system as it may assist in locating the vehicle.
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On Thursday, October 28, around 1:30 am the UT Police Department received a phone report of a rape that occurred in an on-campus residence hall on the west side of campus during the early morning hours of Wednesday, October 27.

An individual reported a male student known to her forcefully raped her in his residence hall after she repeatedly denied consent.

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- Consent is an active agreement to participate. It is important to communicate during sexual encounters as consent can be withdrawn at any time.
- Eight out of ten sexual assaults are by a known offender. For more information on sexual assault statistics visit <https://www.rainn.org/statistics>.
- For information on crime in the area within the last 60 days, please visit the university's [60 Day Crime Log](#).
- For the most up to date information on campus crime statistics and safety information, please review most recent [Annual Security and Fire Safety Report](#).

In the event of an attack

- Get to a safe place
- Contact [law enforcement immediately](#)

- Preserve any evidence such as clothing, bedding, call logs, text or social media messages
- Consider the resources available to you through the university, many of which can be found on the [Title IX website](#)

## **Consent**

The university's [Policy on Sexual Harassment, Sexual Assault, Dating and Domestic Violence, and Stalking](#) defines "consent" as 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. More information on this policy can be found on the [Title IX website](#).

Consent is never implied by a person's attire, reputation, consumption of alcohol or drugs, previous consent to sexual acts, or your relationship to the person. Sexual assault is never the victim's fault. The only person responsible for sexual misconduct is the perpetrator. If you engage in sexual activity, be sure you understand your partner's limits, and communicate your own limits clearly. Don't engage in sexual activities without clear consent from your partner. Even if you are under the influence of alcohol or drugs, you are still responsible for obtaining consent from the other person before initiating sexual contact.

We urge the Volunteer community to remain aware and report any suspicious activity in and around campus. Contact UTPD at 865-974-3114 or e-mail us at [utpolice@utk.edu](mailto:utpolice@utk.edu).

Download the [LiveSafe campus safety app](#) to access campus resources that are available for your personal safety.

Stay informed about crime on campus and other campus safety information by following UTPD on [Twitter](#) or on [Facebook](#).

## [Clery FAQs](#)

### [Information on Clery](#)

For information on prevention and reporting options, [contact the Office of Title IX](#)

[Be an ACTIVE Bystander!](#) Acknowledge the situation, Consider options, and Take action.

[Join the UTK LiveSafe community.](#)

The [Clery Act](#) requires the university to notify the campus community of certain criminal activity that occurs on university owned or controlled property. In addition, the university is required to provide safety tips that may aid in the prevention of similar crimes. The intent of a warning regarding a criminal incident(s) is to enable individuals to protect themselves.

For Safety Notices and Clery statistics, crimes are classified according to the regulations of the Clery Act mandated by the Department of Education. Though state law may categorize an incident differently, [Clery definitions and classifications](#) are strictly followed when labeling an incident for Clery reporting purposes.

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