



AVOID BARRICADE CONFRONT

HOW TO RESPOND WHEN AN ACTIVE SHOOTER IS IN YOUR VICINITY

QUICKLY DETERMINE THE MOST REASONABLE WAY TO PROTECT YOUR OWN LIFE DURING AN ACTIVE SHOOTER SITUATION!

AVOID

- Avoid the active shooter and have an escape route and plan in mind
- Leave your belongings behind
- Prevent others from entering an area where the active shooter may be

BARRICADE

- Hide out of the active shooter's view – behind large items, cabinets, desks
- Barricade yourself by blocking entry to your hiding place and lock the doors
- Silence cell phones and turn off any source of noise (i.e., radios, TVs)
- Do not make any sudden movements and remain quiet

CONFRONT

- Confront the active shooter and fight as a last resort, and only when your life is in imminent danger
- Attempt to incapacitate the active shooter
- Use large objects
- Act with physical aggression, throw items at the active shooter and yell
- Commit to your action

HOW TO RESPOND WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES ON THE SCENE!

HOW YOU SHOULD REACT WHEN LAW ENFORCEMENT ARRIVES

- Remain calm and follow officers' instructions
- Put down any items in your hands (i.e., bags, jackets)
- Raise hands and spread fingers immediately
- Keep hands visible at all times
- Avoid making quick movements toward officers such as attempting to hold on to them for safety
- Avoid pointing, screaming and/or yelling

PROVIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT OR 911 OPERATOR WITH

- Location of the active shooter
- Number of shooters
- Physical description of shooter/s
- Number and type of weapons held by the shooter/s
- Number of potential victims at the location

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING!

ALERT AUTHORITIES IF YOU SEE SOMEONE EXHIBITING SOME OF THESE BEHAVIORAL INDICATORS

- Increased use of alcohol and/or illegal drugs
- Unexplained increase in absenteeism; vague physical complaints
- Noticeable decrease in attention to appearance and hygiene
- Depression / withdrawal
- Resistance and overreaction to changes in policy and procedures
- Repeated violations of University policies
- Increased severe mood swings
- Noticeably unstable, emotional responses
- Explosive outbursts of anger or rage without provocation
- Suicidal comments about "putting things in order"
- Behavior that suggests paranoia ("everybody is against me")
- Increased talks of problems at home
- Unwillingness to separate domestic problems from the University; talk of severe financial problems
- Talk of previous incidents of violence
- Empathy with individuals committing violence
- Increase in unsolicited comments about firearms, other dangerous weapons and violent crimes