

# Annual Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Report

## 2020

This report complies with the following provisions as codified:

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United States Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34, Chapter VI, Part 668, Section 668.Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013, P.L. 113-4

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South Plains College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate degrees and proficiency certificates. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call (404) 679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of South Plains College.

The educational program, degrees and certificates awarded by South Plains College are approved by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. Institutional questions concerning accreditation should be directed to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

## **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS**

Emergency Contact Numbers						
All Emergencies - All Locations	911					
Levelland Campus Police	(806) 716-2396					
Reese Center Police	(806) 893-5705					
Plainview Center Police	(806) 716-2911					
Lubbock Center Campus Police	(806) 241-1516					
Campus Res	ources					
Vice President for Student Affairs	(806) 716-2360					
Dean of Students	(806) 716-2380					
Dean of Reese Center	(806) 716-4700					
Director of Plainview Center	(806) 716-4301					
Executive Director of Lubbock Center	(806) 716-4608					
Counseling Services - All Locations	(806) 716-2529					
Health Services - Levelland Campus	(806) 716-2376					
Student Housing - Levelland Campus	(806) 716-2379					
Dean of Distance and Continuing Education	(806) 716-2340					
Community Re	esources					
Levelland Police Department	(806) 894-6164					
Hockley County Sheriff's Office	(806) 894-3126					
Lubbock Police Department	(806) 775-2865					
Lubbock County Sheriff's Office	(806) 775-1400					
Plainview Police Department	(806) 296-1182					
Hale County Sheriff	(806) 296-2724					
Lubbock Rape Crisis Center (Voice of Hope)	(806) 763-3232					
Lubbock Suicide Prevention	(806)765-8393 or (800)784-2433					
Women's Protective Services	(806) 747-6491					
State and Nationa	al Resources					
Office of Civil Rights	(800) 262-2463					
Clery Center for Security on Campus	(484) 580-8754					
National Drug Hotline	(800) 262-2463 / (800) COCAINE					
National Drug Abuse Hotline	(800) 241-9746					
National Clearinghouse Alcohol & Drug Abuse	(800) 655-2255 / (800) SAYNOTO					
National Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse	(800) 622-2255 / (800) NCACALL					
National Sexual Assault Hotline	(800) 656-4673					
National Domestic Violence Hotline	(800) 799-7233					
Poison Control Center	(800) 222-1222					

## SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

A truly safe campus can only be achieved through the full cooperation of all students, faculty and staff. All members of our community are encouraged to act responsibly, work collaboratively together, and whenever possible assist each other to PROMPTLY, ACCURATELY, and EFFECTIVELY report all unsafe incidents and criminal offenses to one or more campus security authorities or responsible employees.

With that goal in mind, this document is intended to familiarize everyone with important crime statistics, campus policies, procedures, and resources necessary to make informed decisions and seek help when an incident occurs.

#### Jeanne Clery Act and Report Distribution

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act is a consumer protection law passed in 1990. The law requires all colleges and universities who receive federal funding to share information about certain crimes which occur on and around campus, as well as their efforts to improve campus safety. This information is made publicly accessible through the College's Annual Security Report (ASR).

Colleges and universities must outline specific policies and procedures within their ASR, including those related to disseminating timely warnings and emergency notifications about certain crimes, options for survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, and provide information about campus crime reporting processes.

South Plains College's ASR is distributed electronically through Blackboard Connect and published online at <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu/studentconsumerinformation.php">http://www.southplainscollege.edu/studentconsumerinformation.php</a> under Security, Crime and Fire Safety Reports. Copies of the report may be obtained in person from the Vice President for Student Affairs during normal business hours, 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

#### SPC POLICE DEPARTMENT

The primary role of the SPC Police Department (SPCPD) is to protect the lives and safety of students, faculty, staff and all visitors of South Plains College.

The secondary objective is to protect the buildings, grounds, and property of the college. In addition to these functions, the Police Department will function in the area of public service and public relations. All criminal activity, accidents and incidents requiring police investigation on College property should be reported immediately to the SPCPD.

#### **Reporting Incidents**

SPC police officers can be contacted by telephone, 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week on the Levelland Campus. Police coverage or security services are provided during such time when classes are scheduled at the Reese, Lubbock, and the Plainview centers. Reduced coverage may be authorized during non-peak hours and holiday periods. Upon investigation of an incident, accident, or crime on campus, a written report will be prepared and filed with the SPCPD. Copies of reports may be available to the proper individuals who need the information in the reports. In addition, a daily activity log is maintained at the SPCPD office for review by anyone.

#### About the South Plains College Police Department

The SPCPD operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year on the Levelland Campus. SPCPD authorized strength is nine (9) total personnel: eight (8) sworn police officers covering the Levelland campus and the Reese and Lubbock centers, and one parking ticket writer who is located on the Levelland Campus. The Plainview Center is covered by police officers contracted to provide coverage. The Department's police officers are peace officers as defined under Article 2.12 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure and are fully empowered by the State as peace officers. The Department's police officers are armed and have the same authority to detain and arrest as municipal police officers. SPCPD operates under Sec. 51.203 of the Texas Education Code.

Police officers at SPCPD have completed a police academy licensed by The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and been licensed by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE). In addition to the Academy, officers receive 15 weeks of field training and a minimum of 40 hours of in-service training every two years, as required by law.

#### Fire Safety

South Plains College works closely with local Fire Departments at each location. Most campus buildings, including residential apartments, are fully protected by fire sprinklers and smoke alarm systems. Student residents are required to participate in annual fire safety drills. For more information about the campus Fire and Life Safety program and relevant statistics, please refer to the Annual Fire Report.

#### **Campus Facilities Access and Security**

Campus buildings are open during regularly scheduled business hours. Keys to college offices and buildings are issued on a restricted basis to full-time employees.

Campus police patrol the campuses on a regular basis. The following residence halls are currently equipped with key card access controls: Tubb, Gerstenberger, Gillespie, North Sue, South Sue, and Baker Center, Forrest, Frazier, Stroud and Lamar halls. Residence hall staff (residence hall directors and/or residence hall assistants) live in each of the residence halls.

Security cameras are located throughout each of the campuses. Cameras are not routinely monitored but are used in the investigation of crimes or code violations.

Campus police work closely with the SPC maintenance department to ensure adequate lighting is maintained throughout the campus locations.

#### Safety in Campus Housing

SPC Residence Life provides several programs and services to maximize safety measures used in the residence halls. However, it is the responsibility of each member of the community and their guests to actively participate and observe safety protocols. This can be accomplished by being aware of your surroundings, reporting mischief or suspicious behavior, preventing the propping of doors, and not allowing other students to tailgate when entering the access card doors. Please contact SPC Student Housing for more information on student housing safety programs and services at (806) 716-2381 or housing@southplainscollege.edu.

#### **Related Policies:**

<u>DO – College Keys</u> <u>HH – Campus Security</u> <u>HHB – Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics</u>

## **CRIME PREVENTION AWARENESS PROGRAMS**

The South Plains College community is educated about incidents of crime and the importance of reporting those crimes, especially when defined as violent. The prevention of crime is always a priority for the institution.

Students and employees alike are afforded the opportunity to learn from an array of programs designed to create a safer campus environment. Multiple departments assist in this effort, including SPC Police Department, Human Resources, Health and Wellness, Dean of Students Office, Student Life, and Residence Life.

Crime prevention and awareness programs usually begin with new student or new employee orientation sessions and are available throughout the student or employee's tenure with the College. Topics include, but are not limited to, sexual misconduct awareness and prevention, bystander intervention, active shooter awareness and response, alcohol and substance abuse awareness and prevention, the Student Code of Conduct, academic dishonesty, and hate crime awareness and prevention.

#### Campus Assessment, Response and Evaluation (CARE) Team

The CARE Team at South Plains College was created to provide a caring, confidential program of identification to incidents that are perceived as disruptive, threatening or violent and to respond to these incidents in a manner that is suitable for protecting the South Plains College community and providing students with the greatest chance for success. Any individual who has concern for the well-being or safety of a member of the College community, or who has reason to believe that a student or employee may pose a direct threat to themselves or others, may refer him or her to the CARE Team for an individualized assessment. To refer a student or employee to the CARE Team, fill out the Concerning and/or Threatening Behavior form at <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/complaints.php">http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/complaints.php</a>.

#### SPC Health and Wellness Center:

Student Counseling Center (806) 716-2529 Student Health Services (806) 716-2376

#### **Employee Assistance Program:**

(806) 743-1EAP or (800)-327-0328

#### **Code of Student Conduct & Disciplinary Referrals**

Violations of the Code of Student Conduct may be reported to the Dean of Students (806) 716-2380, Dean of Reese Center (806) 716-4700, Executive Director of the Lubbock Center (806) 716-4608, or the Director of the Plainview Center (806) 716-4301. Reports can also be made online under the General Student Conduct Report at <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/complaints.php">http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/complaints.php</a>.

#### Active Shooter Awareness and Response Training

The SPC Police Department offers active shooter and response training to individual departments and to students. For more information call (806) 716-2396.

#### **Drug and Alcohol Education**

Drug and alcohol education at SPC is provided in a variety of formats to reach students multiple ways at several different times in the school year. During 2020 Covid was a significant factor that affected the ability to have inperson educational activities. In January 2020 there were two drug and alcohol education classes that was conducted in the Health and Wellness Center as well as a Wellness Wednesday Workshop. The Ask and Addict event was held in February 2020 along with a drug and alcohol education class, Wellness Wednesday Workshop and a presentation of the Hunting Ground video with discussion about how drus and alcohol affect the ability to consent. The Mocktail Madness event scheduled for spring 2020 was cancelled due to Covid. Health and Wellness transitioned counseling sessions to a virtual format and worked with students individually through the rest of the year.

#### **Residence Hall Programming**

SPC Student Housing in conjunction with other departments on campus offer multiple programs in the residence halls each year. Program topics include topics such as safety on campus, alcohol and drug abuse, healthy relationships, violence in relationships, and personal life management skills. For more information about available programs call (806) 716-2381.

# SEXUAL MISCONDUCT, DATING VIOLENCE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND STALKING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION

South Plains College provides primary and ongoing prevention and awareness activities for students and employees. These activities promote awareness of the problems, help students and employees know warning signs of the problems and educate students as to how to prevent sexual misconduct, dating violence, domestic violence and stalking.

The Health and Wellness Center at South Plains College has focused on awareness, prevention and intervention. They hosted a Hunting Ground video presentation in February 2020.

Before fall and spring semesters training was done with residence hall directors and wing advisors on how to handle reports of sexual assault, IPV, sexual harassment and stalking.

A brochure that addresses procedures victims should follow in the case of alleged dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking is available. It is titled "What to Do About Sexual Violence." It is available in print as well as on the SPC Website.

## **APPLICABLE REPORTING LOCATIONS UNDER CLERY**

In order to understand crime statistics presented in this report, it is important to understand campus geography as defined by the Clery Act. The definitions are Clery Act specific and are the same for every institution, regardless of its physical size or configuration. Only crimes specific to requirements of the Clery Act and that occurred in the following geographic areas are included. Appendix A of this document delineates these areas.

#### **On Campus**

Any building or property owned or controlled by the College within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to is educational purposes, including residence halls, and any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous that is owned by the College but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food court or retail vendor located on campus property).

#### **On Campus Student Housing**

Any student housing facility that is owned or controlled by the institution, or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution, and is within the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus is considered an on-campus student housing facility.

#### **Public Property**

Includes thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that are within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus, but not extending beyond the second sidewalk on the opposing side of the public property. For instance, a city street bordering campus property and the area extending to the sidewalk on the opposite side of the street are included. Any property beyond the opposing sidewalk is not applicable.

#### **Non-Campus Buildings or Property**

Any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution; or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution. (Examples of non-campus buildings or property include the Wesley Foundation and the BSM.) SPCPD works with local police forces to ensure that criminal activity at these types of locations are accurately monitored and recorded.

## **CLERY APPLICABLE CRIMES AND OFFENSES**

Similar to applicable reporting locations and geographical considerations, not every crime is reportable under the Clery Act. Therefore, the statistics contained in this report are Clery Act specific and are divided into general categories of crime: criminal offenses, sexual assault, hate crimes, violence against women, and certain arrests and referrals for disciplinary actions.

#### **Criminal Offenses**

- 1. Murder and non-negligent manslaughter
- 2. Negligent manslaughter
- 3. Robbery
- 4. Aggravated Assault
- 5. Burglary
- 6. Motor Vehicle Theft

#### Sexual Misconduct & Relationship Violence

- 1. Rape
- 2. Fondling
- 3. Incest
- 4. Statutory Rape
- 5. Domestic Violence
- 6. Dating Violence
- 7. Stalking

#### Hate Crimes\*

- 1. Larceny Theft
- 2. Simple Assault
- 3. Intimidation
- 4. Destruction / Damage / Vandalism of property

\*Only when the commission of the offense was motivated by bias.

#### **Certain Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action**

#### 1. Weapon Violations

- Manufacture, sale or unlawful possession of deadly weapons
- Unlawfully openly carrying deadly weapons
- Unlawful use, manufacture, etc., of silencers
- Furnishing deadly weapons to minors
- Attempts to commit any of the above

#### 2. Drug Violations

- Production, distribution, possession, or use of controlled substances
- Production, distribution, possession, or use of equipment or devices utilized in preparation or use of controlled substances
- Unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation, or importation of any controlled substance or narcotic substance
- Illegally obtained prescription drugs

#### 3. Liquor Law Violations\*\*

- Manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing, or intoxicating liquor
- Maintaining unlawful drinking places
- Bootlegging
- Operating a still
- Furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person
- Underage possession
- Using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor
- Drinking on a trail or public conveyance
- Attempts to commit any of the above

\*\*By Clery Act definition, "drunkenness" and "driving under the influence" are not applicable violations and are not included in this report (i.e., Public Intoxication and Driving While Intoxicated).

## ALCOHOL AND ILLICIT DRUGS

Pursuant to South Plains College policies <u>DE. Substance Abuse Policy</u>, <u>FG. Student Substance Abuse Policy</u> and <u>FF. Student</u> <u>Conduct and Discipline</u>, the possession, use or transfer of any controlled substance on campus or at any college related function on or off campus is strictly prohibited and is illegal under both state and federal laws. Campus affiliated violators are subject to college disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fines, dismissal, and incarceration.

South Plains College students and employees with substance abuse problems (including alcohol) create a health and safety risk for themselves and for others. Such abuses can result in a wide range of serious emotional and behavioral problems. For this reason, the college makes available to students and employees alcohol and substance abuse programs through the Health and Wellness Center and Employee Assistance Program. These programs are designed to discourage the use of illicit substances and to educate employees and students about the merits of legal and responsible alcohol consumption. For further information on these programs please contact the Health and Wellness Center or Human Resources.

#### **Texas Drinking Laws**

It is unlawful to possess or consume alcohol when under 21- years of age. It is also unlawful to sell, furnish or provide alcohol to a person under the age of 21. Laws regarding the possession, sale, consumption, or furnishing of alcohol are codified in the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code. Specific ordinances regarding violations of alcohol laws, including driving while intoxicated, are available from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC).

Minors who purchase, attempt to purchase, possess, or consume alcoholic beverages, as well as minors who are intoxicated in public or misrepresent their age to obtain alcoholic beverages face the following consequences:

- Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$500
- Alcohol awareness class
- 8 to 40 hours community service
- 30 to 180 days loss or denial of driver's license.

Adults and minors who give alcohol to a minor also face a stiff penalty. The punishment for making alcoholic beverages available or selling to a minor is a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by a fine up to \$4,000, confinement in jail for up to a year, or both. Additionally, the violator will have his or her driver's license automatically suspended for 180 days upon conviction.

A minor with previous alcohol-related convictions will have his or her driver's license suspended for one year if the minor does not attend alcohol awareness training that has been required by the judge.

#### **South Plains College Alcohol Policy**

In addition to state law, South Plains College policies prohibit the possession and consumption of alcohol by a student on the college campus or while representing the college on an off-campus trip or activity. This includes person 21 and older. Individuals, organizations, or groups violating alcohol or substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the College or may be ticketed or arrested by the South Plains College Police Department.

No employee shall possess, use, transmit or attempt to possess, use, or transmit or be under the influence of or impaired by (legal intoxication not required) alcohol or any alcoholic beverage on any property controlled by the college district.

#### **Related Policies:**

<u>FG – Student Substance Abuse</u> <u>DE – Substance Abuse</u>

## SEX AND GENDER-BASED DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT AND VIOLENCE

South Plains College Policy FH prohibits sex and gender-based discrimination, harassment, and violence, including acts of sexual assault, dating and domestic violence, and stalking, which may also constitute crimes. While college policy uses different standards and definitions than Texas law, sex and gender-based incidents often overlap with the crimes of rape, sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, and domestic violence.

Acts of violence and harassment based on sex or gender, including sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression, may also constitute crimes. Individuals who have experienced incidents involving one or more of these behaviors are protected by federal laws, specifically Title IX

<u>http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human\_resources/policy\_procedure/fh.php</u>, and the Clery Act, which mandates the contents of this report.

#### WHAT IS TITLE IX?

Under the Unites State Code of Federal Regulations, Title IX states that, "No person in the United State shall, on behalf of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving federal financial assistance." 20 USCA §1681. Members of the South Plains College (SPC) community, guests and visitors have the right to be free from all forms of gender and sex-based discrimination, examples of which can include acts of sexual violence, sexual harassment, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The sexual orientation and/or gender identity of individuals engaging in sexual activity is not relevant to allegations under this policy.

All members of the campus community are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that does not infringe upon the rights of others. SPC believes in a zero tolerance policy for gender-based misconduct. When an allegation of misconduct is brought to an appropriate administration's attention, and a responding party is found to have violated this policy, serious sanctions will be used to reasonably ensure that such actions are never repeated.

Any person found responsible for violating the policy on Sexual Misconduct will face a recommended sanction ranging from warning to expulsion or termination, depending on the severity of the incident, and taking into account any previous disciplinary violations. The decision-making body reserves the right to broaden or lessen any range of recommended sanctions in the case of serious mitigating circumstances or egregiously offensive behavior. Neither the initial hearing officers nor any appeals body or officer will deviate from the range of recommended sanctions unless compelling justification exists to do so.

#### **Title IX and Sexual Misconduct Reporting**

#### Who can you report to?

All SPC employees, with some limited exceptions, are expected to report actual or suspected discrimination or harassment to the Title IX or Deputy Title IX Coordinator.

#### **Confidential Reporting**

An individual who seeks completely confidential assistance may do so by speaking with professionals who have legally protected confidentiality. On campus, confidential reports may be made to licensed health care professionals in Student Health, 806-716-2376 or licensed mental health professionals in Health and Wellness, 806-716-2529. Information shared with these resources will remain confidential and will not be shared with SPC or anyone else without express, written permission of the individual seeking services unless required by law or court order.

#### College Reporting Requirement

In the event that sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence or the crimes of sexual assault, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence do occur, SPC takes the matter very seriously.

SPC employs supportive and protective measures such as no contact orders or emergency removal in cases in which a violence risk assessment indicates such action is warranted.

If a student is accused of sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence, they are subject to action in accordance with Policy FH. A student wishing to officially report such an incident may do so by contacting the Title IX administrators below.

Anyone with knowledge about sex- or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence, or the crimes of rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence is encouraged to report it immediately to SPC Police at 806-716-2396 or online at <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu/referral/">http://www.southplainscollege.edu/referral/</a>.

Supportive and protective measures for individuals who have experienced these incidents are available from the campus whether the individual chooses to report to local and/or campus law enforcement, and irrespective of whether the individual pursues a formal complaint through the College resolution process.

#### **Reporting to Law Enforcement**

It is the policy of SPC not to notify local/campus law enforcement when sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence occurs, unless a Complainant wishes or there is an emergency threat to health or safety.

Complainants have the option to notify law enforcement directly, or to be assisted in doing so by campus authorities. If requested, campus officials can facilitate reporting to campus or local law enforcement but may also respect a Complainant's request not to do so.

#### **Title IX Coordinator**

Vice President for Student Affairs Student Services Building - Levelland Campus Dr. Stan DeMerritt 806-716-2360 <u>sdemerritt@southplainscollege.edu</u>

#### **Deputy Title IX Coordinators**

Dean of Reese Center Kara Martinez 806-716-4700 <u>kmartinez@southplainscollege.edu</u>

Director of Human Resources Jeri Ann Dewbre 806-716-2111 jdewbre@southplainscollege.edu

Director of the Plainview Center Victoria Huffhines 806-716-4330 vhuffhines@southplainscollege.edu

Executive Director of the Lubbock Center Ben Alexander 806-716-4608 bealexander@southplainscollege.edu

It is highly encouraged that you speak with one of the above administrators, even if you are unsure whether you want to file a formal report.

#### **Related Policy**

FH Equal Opportunity, Harassment and Nondiscrimination Policy

## **IMMEDIATE CARE AND PRESERVATION OF EVIDENCE**

If you experience sex- or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence; or incidents of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence, or domestic violence, some or all of these safety suggestions may guide you after an incident has occurred:

Go to a safe place and speak with someone you trust. Tell this person what happened. If there is any immediate danger, call 911.

Consider securing immediate professional support (e.g., counseling, victim advocacy, medical services, etc.) to assist you in the crisis.

If you are on campus during regular business hours, you may go to the Health and Wellness Center or Student Health for support and guidance. These are both confidential resources. After regular business hours, or in any situation where an individual wishes, local resources are also available and may be able to provide confidential assistance. Voice of Hope is available at 806-763-RAPE.

For your safety and well-being, immediate medical attention is encouraged. Further, being examined as soon as possible, ideally within 120 hours, is important in the case of rape or sexual assault. Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners are available at University Medical Center and Voice of Hope, the Health and Wellness Center or SPC Police can assist in arranging for the exam; however, you can go to University Medical Center and they will ensure you receive proper care. The hospital will arrange for a specific medical examination at no charge or can work with you to arrange state reimbursement.

To preserve evidence, it is recommended that you do not bathe, shower, douche, eat, drink, smoke, brush your teeth, urinate, defecate, or change clothes before receiving medical attention. Even if you have already taken any of these actions, you are still encouraged to have prompt medical care, and evidence may still be recoverable.

Typically, if police are involved or will be involved, they will obtain evidence from the scene, and it is best to leave things undisturbed until their arrival. They will gather bedding, linens or unlaundered clothing, and any other pertinent items that may be used for evidence. It is best to allow police to secure items in evidence containers, but if you are involved in transmission of items of evidence, such as to the hospital, secure them in a clean **paper** bag or clean bedsheet to avoid contamination.

If you have physical injuries, photograph or have them photographed, with a date stamp on the photo.

Record the names of any witnesses and their contact information. This information may be helpful as proof of a crime, to obtain an order of protection, or to offer proof of a campus policy violation.

Try to memorize details (e.g., physical description, names, license plate number, car description, etc.), or even better, write notes to remind you of details, if you have time and the ability to do so.

If you obtain external orders of protection (e.g., restraining orders, injunctions, protection from abuse), please notify SPC Police or the campus Title IX Coordinator so that those orders can be observed on campus.

Even after the immediate crisis has passed, consider seeking support from the Health and Wellness Center and/or Voice of Hope.

Contact the SPC Dean of Students (806-716-2380) if you need assistance with SPC related concerns, such as no-contact orders or other supportive measures. The Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinators will also assist in any needed advocacy for students who wish to obtain protective or restraining orders from local authorities. SPC is able to offer reasonable academic supports, changes to living arrangements, transportation resources or modifications, safety escorts, no contact orders, counseling services access, and other supports and resources as needed by a victim. SPC is able to offer information about legal assistance, visa/immigration assistance, and student financial aid considerations for victims.

#### **Process Rights**

A summary of rights, options, supports, and procedures, in the form of this document, is provided to all Complainants, whether they are students, employees, guests, or visitors.

When appropriate upon receipt of a formal complaint, the Title IX Coordinator will initiate a prompt, fair, and impartial process, commencing with an investigation, which may lead to the imposition of sanctions for a Respondent based upon a preponderance of evidence (what is more likely than not).

Procedures detailing the investigation and resolution processes of the College can be found in Policy FH. The Title IX Coordinator is ultimately responsible for assuring in all cases that the behavior is brought to an end, the College acts to reasonably prevent its recurrence, and the effects on the Complainant and the community are remedied.

All parties are entitled to a process which:

- Is prompt, fair, and impartial from initial investigation to final result, including being:
  - Completed within reasonably prompt timeframes, including allowing for the extension of timeframes for good cause with written notice to the parties of the delay and the reason for the delay;
  - o Conducted in a manner that is consistent with the institution's policies and transparent to the parties;
  - Given timely notice of meetings at which the parties (one or all) may be present;
  - Given timely provision to the parties and any appropriate officials of equal access to any information that will be used during informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings; and is
  - Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the any of the parties
- Is conducted by administrators who, at minimum, receive annual training on:
  - o Issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and
  - How to conduct an investigation and hearing process the protects the safety of the parties and promotes accountability
- Allows all parties the same opportunities to have others present during any institutional disciplinary proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice
- Does not limit the choice of advisor or presence for any party in any meeting or institutional disciplinary
  proceeding; however, the institution may establish regarding the extent to which the advisor may participate in
  the proceedings, as long as the restrictions apply equally to all parties
- Provides for simultaneous written notification to all parties of:
  - The result of any institutional disciplinary proceeding that arises from an allegation of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
  - The institution's procedures for the parties to appeal the result of the institutional disciplinary proceeding, if such procedures are available;
  - Any change to the result; and
  - When such results become final
- Prohibits retaliation

#### **Process Outcomes**

For offenses including sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, and violence, which typically include the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, sanctions range from warning to expulsion.

Serious and violent incidents and acts of sexual assault usually result in suspension, expulsion, or termination of employment.

Knowingly providing false or misleading information to investigators can result in additional consequences under the Student Code of Conduct.

#### Training

The Title IX Coordinator is also responsible for assuring that training is conducted annually for all institution-provided advisors, investigators, decision-makers, and appeal decision-makers involved in the resolution of formal complaints through a process which ensures the safety of all parties and promotes accountability.

Training will focus on sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, sexual harassment, retaliation, and other behaviors that can be forms of sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence covered by Title IX and Clery Act.

#### **Recordkeeping and Privacy**

College records of investigations and resolutions are maintained in privacy in accordance with the institution's record retention policy for a minimum of seven years. Information is shared internally between administrators who need to know in order to complete their job duties.

When information must be shared to permit the investigation to move forward, the parties will be informed. Privacy of the records specific to the investigation is maintained in accordance with Texas law and the federal FERPA statute. Any public release of information needed to comply with the open crime logs or timely warning provisions of the Clery Act will not include the names of Complainant or information that could easily lead to a Complainant's identification.

Additionally, the College maintains privacy in relation to any supportive measures afforded to a Complainant, except to the extent necessary to provide the supportive measures. Typically, if faculty members or administrators are asked to provide supportive measures for a specific student, they are told that such measures are necessary under Title IX or the Clery Act, but they are not given any details of the incident, or what kind of incident it is.

Irrespective of state law or public records access provisions, information about Complainants is maintained privately in accordance with Title IX and FERPA.

In any complaint of sex or gender-based discrimination, harassment, or violence covered under Title IX and/or the Clery Act, the Complainant and Respondent are entitled to the same opportunities for a support person of their choice throughout and to fully participate in the process, including any meeting, conference, hearing, appeal, or other procedural action.

The role of Advisors is described in detail in Policy FH. The parties will receive written notification of the allegations as well as any hearing outcome; they will also be afforded opportunities to review and respond to the investigation report before it is finalized and again before a hearing.

Delivery of written notifications to the parties will occur simultaneously (without undue delay between notifications). All parties will be informed of the College's appeal processes, and their rights to exercise a request for appeal. Should any change in outcome occur prior to finalization, all parties will be timely informed in writing, and will be notified when the results of the resolution process become final.

#### Retaliation

Both Title IX and the Clery Act provide protections for whistleblowers who bring allegations of non-compliance with the Clery Act and/or Title IX to the attention of appropriate campus administrators.

The College does not retaliate against those who raise concerns of non-compliance. Any concerns should be brought to the immediate attention of the campus Title IX Coordinator and/or to officials of the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **Related Policy**

FH Equal Opportunity, Harassment and Nondiscrimination Policy

## **REPORTING CRIMES**

All students and visitors are encouraged while employees are required to **promptly** report all crimes and public safety related incidents to the South Plains College Police Department (SPCPD) or applicable law enforcement agency. Doing so ensures prompt and efficient response to incidents of crime and helps to preserve important evidence needed to ensure a successful investigation and prosecution of offenders.

To report a crime that has just occurred or is in progress:

• Dial 9-1-1 (emergencies only)

Dialing of a pre-code such as 7-911 or 9-911 is not required for outgoing 911 calls from campus phones. Just Dial 9-1-1

To report non-emergencies:

- Levelland SPCPD: (806) 716-2396
- Reese SPCPD: (806) 716-2923
- Lubbock SPCPD: (806) 241-1516
- Director of Plainview Center: (806) 716-4301
- Dean of Students: (806) 716-2380
- Dean of Reese Center: (806) 716-4700
- Executive Director Lubbock Center: (806) 716-4608

In addition to law enforcement, students can report crimes and misconduct to Responsible Employees, Campus Security Authorities, the Dean of Students, Residence Hall Directors, or anyone within the South Plains College community who is in a position to assist you.

#### **Reporting to the College vs. Law Enforcement**

Some instances of misconduct may also constitute a violation of state, federal, or local law. It is **always** the student's or employee's option to report misconduct to the College, to local law enforcement, or to both. SPC administrators are happy to assist in making a report to law enforcement and will even accompany the victim if he or she wishes. Reporting to SPCPD can lead to criminal charges and prosecution.

#### **Employee Grievances**

An employee having a grievance should submit the grievance to the Director of Human Resources within 30 business days from the date of the action giving rise to the grievance. Prior to the filing of a written complaint, the employee is encouraged to visit with the respondent's department chairperson or supervisor, and reasonable effort should be made to resolve the problem or complaint. For additional information contact the Director of Human Resources at 806-716-2111.

#### **False Reports**

Under Section 42.06 of the Texas Penal Code, it is a state jail felony for an individual to knowingly initiate, communicate or circulate a report of a present, past, or future bombing, fire, offense, or other emergency that the individual knows is false, involves a public or private institution of higher education, and would: Cause action by an official or volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies; place a person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury; or prevent or interrupt the occupation of a building, room, place of assembly, place to which the public has access, or aircraft, automobile, or other mode of conveyance.

**Related Policies:** 

<u>HH – Campus Security</u> <u>DC – Grievance Procedures</u>

# REPORTING CRIMES: MANDATORY REPORTING, CAMPUS SECURITY AUTHORITIES AND RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYEES

#### **Responsible Employees versus Campus Security Authorities**

The term "Campus Security Authority" (CSA) is used by the Clery Act to indicate someone who collects crime reports and who holds a particular capacity within the College. This includes but is not limited to campus police, a person with responsibility for campus security (kiosk guards, event security, or student escorts), or an official who has significant responsibility for students and campus activities (such as student housing, student conduct, athletics, and student organizations).

"Responsible Employees" is a term used by Title IX related to the concept of notice of sex/gender discrimination or harassment. All employees of South Plains College, with the exception of Confidential Employees listed below, are considered Responsible Employees and have a duty to report incidents of sexual assault or sexual harassment.

Employees such as counselors, physicians, and nurses who are clinical and/or mental health professionals acting in their professional role in the provision of services within the scope of his or her license or certification are not subject to mandatory reporting requirements. These employees are encouraged to provide students with information and guidance regarding college reporting options and available student resources but will not report or otherwise refer instances of sexual harassment/misconduct to college administrators without the disclosing student's express permission.

#### **Reports to CSA's and Responsible Employees**

Under Clery, a crime is "reported when it is brought to the attention of a campus security authority or local law enforcement personnel by a victim, witness, or other third party or even offender, regardless if the individual is involved in the crime, reporting the crime, or is associated with the institution."

If a campus security authority receives the crime information and believes it was provided in good faith, he or she should document it as a crime report. In "good faith" means there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information is not simply a rumor or hearsay. That is, there is little or no reason to doubt the validity of the information. CSA's are required to forward a CSA Incident Report Form to the SPCPD allegations of Clery Act crimes that he or she concludes were made in good faith.

Under Title IX, the College must take immediate action when "notice" of sexual harassment/misconduct is received. Responsible employees have a mandatory reporting obligation when they know, or reasonably should know, about an incident of alleged sexual harassment, sexual violence, or other form of sexual misconduct. When a responsible employee becomes aware of an incident, he or she is to immediately contact the Dean of Student's office, the deputy Title IX coordinator(s), or the Title IX coordinator and provide all known details.

#### **Confidentiality and Confidential Reporting**

South Plains College is committed to ensuring confidentiality during all stages of the student conduct process. If students are unsure whether they want to involve family or friends, and are not yet certain whether they want to report to the police or the College, there are resources available, both on and off campus, that offer confidential assistance and support.

If a student discloses an incident to a Campus Security Authority (CSA) or responsible employee with the condition of remaining anonymous and/or confidential, the CSA or responsible employee must still forward the Clery crime statistics and/or report the existence of a Title IX incident to college officials who will maintain requests for confidentiality. However, if the circumstances indicate there is a continuing threat to either the victim or the campus community, the responsible official will contact law enforcement to ensure campus community safety.

All reports of misconduct will be maintained with the highest possible level of confidentiality. The information, once referred, will still remain private and will be shared only with those administrators who have a legitimate educational need to know, in order to best assist and support the student. Once the appropriate administrators have been notified of the incident, the college will provide resources and support, promptly investigate, and equitably resolve the allegation according to established college procedures, unless the student requests that no action be taken

South Plains College does not tolerate retaliation and takes all available steps to prevent its occurrence; any retaliatory threats or actions will be addressed promptly and effectively.

Related Policy FH Equal Opportunity, Harassment and Nondiscrimination Policy

## **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION**

#### **Emergency Notification Procedures**

South Plains College adheres to the precepts of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS). SPC's Crisis Management Plan coheres to the framework set forth in Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) eight, published March 30, 2011. PPD eight establishes a framework of five interconnected phases of emergency management planning: Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery.

South Plains College personnel evaluate any imminent threats they become aware of with emergency response expertise. Any individual in any one of these positions is authorized and has the duty to *without delay* issue the appropriate emergency notification(s):

- South Plains College Police Senior Command Staff
- Dean of Students
- Vice President for Student Affairs
- Dean of SPC Reese Center
- Executive Director of Lubbock Center
- Director of Plainview Center

In the event that a threat, notwithstanding an imminent threat, is such that time allows for consultation with others, responsible authorities should notify and consult with one or more of the following personnel:

- South Plains College Senior Command Staff
- South Plains College President
- South Plains College Director of Marketing and Communications

#### **Emergency Response Methods**

Emergency Notification & Timely Warnings will be distributed in a manner likely to reach the entire campus community using the most expedient method(s) available beginning with distribution to the building or area most affected by the threat. Notifications may be made using any or all of the following means:

- Verbal announcements
- ENS text messaging
- ENS email
- ENS voicemail
- Fire Alarm Systems
- Police Unit Public Address Systems
- SPC Webpage
- Telephone
- Issuance of press statements or releases to members of the media
- Social Media
- Any other means that may be an effective tool for reaching those who might be at risk

#### **System Testing Policies and Procedures**

In accordance with Texas Education Code Section 51.217 and United States Public Law 110-315 Title IV, South Plains College schedules and executes at least one test of SPC's emergency response and evacuation procedures annually. The tests are in the form of one of the following: a mandatory emergency drill, tabletop, functional, or full- scale exercise. The tests, at a minimum include testing of procedures for immediate emergency notifications of threats. All tests conducted are followed up by an "after action review," the purpose of which is to determine which procedures we need to sustain and how we need to refine or improve emergency response, evacuation and emergency notification procedures.

For more information regarding SPC's emergency notification procedures please visit Safety and Health tab on MySPC <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/emergencyprocedures.php">http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campussafety/emergencyprocedures.php</a>.

Related Policy: <u>GB – Crisis Management Plan</u>

## **TIMELY WARNINGS**

South Plains College realizes that situations may arise that warrant the issuance of a timely warning for events that do not meet the elements of an emergency, such as routine criminal offenses that are likely to reoccur based upon known facts.

The South Plains College Police Department has the responsibility to provide timely warnings to the campus community about reported crimes in a manner that will aid in the prevention of similar offenses.

#### The Decision to Issue a Timely Warning

A warning will be issued when the following crimes occur and applicable criteria has been met: criminal homicide, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, arson, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or any of the above mentioned crime if the offender was motivated by bias, or any other crime or situation that poses a threat to the public health or safety of the campus community.

The South Plains College Police Department, Chief of Police, or a designee, is responsible for making the decision to issue a timely warning and will, on a case-by-case basis, determine the content and appropriate distribution method to ensure the persons as risk are notified.

#### **Determining Whether a Continuing Threat Exists**

South Plains College will continue to alert the community until the threat of harm has ceased. The determination of whether a reported crime presents a continuing threat to the college will be decided on a case-by-case basis in light of all of the facts surrounding a crime, including but not limited to: the nature of the crime, the continuing danger to the campus community, and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.

#### **Content of the Warning**

Any warning issued to the campus community will contain sufficient information about the nature of the threat to enable recipients to take action to protect themselves. While law enforcement may need to keep some facts confidential to avoid compromising an investigation, information to be issued in a timely warning includes but is not limited to:

- 1. A succinct statement of the incident.
- 2. Areas of campus the College advises students and employees to avoid, of applicable.
- 3. Possible connections to previous incidents, if applicable.
- 4. Physical description of at-large suspect, if available.
- 5. Composite drawing of the suspect, if available.
- 6. Date and time the warning was released.
- 7. Crime Prevention or personal safety tips.
- 8. Other relevant and important information.

#### **GET THE MESSAGE**

#### **ENS Alerts:**

Review and update your phone numbers and email addresses to insure you receive emergency notifications. To do this, go to southplainscollege.edu and log into the portal and click on Texan Connect, User Account, and User Profile. Students and employees are also encouraged to download the Campus Shield App and select South Plains College as their school.

#### **Social Media Alerts:**

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/southplainscollege

<u>Twitter:</u> @SouthPlains

### **MISSING STUDENTS: THE 24 HOUR RULE**

The Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 set forth requirements for educational institutions in regards to reporting, investigating, and making emergency notifications for any currently enrolled student living on campus who is believed to be missing.

Although students are under no obligation to notify the college of plans to spend time away from their residence, a student who resides in on-campus housing at South Plains College, or lives in temporary accommodations while attending official college events, will be presumed to be missing when his or her reported absence is found to be inconsistent with established patterns of behavior and the deviation cannot be readily explained.

Additionally, any reported absence of 24 hours, or an absence of less than 24 hours wherein there exists possible evidence of foul play, will result in the same presumption. Campus officials, including law enforcement, the student's parent, guardian and/or designated confidential emergency contact person, will be notified.

#### **Confidential Emergency Contact**

Upon moving into an on-campus housing facility, South Plains College will provide each student an opportunity to register a confidential emergency contact who will be notified if he or she is reported missing.

A record containing information about the confidential contact person will be maintained by the student's residence hall director. This information will only be shared with authorized campus officials or law enforcement personnel in furtherance of a missing person investigation, and is otherwise exempt from disclosure.

Students with prior knowledge of a planned absence are encouraged to register a confidential contact and keep them informed about their whereabouts. This will allow college officials and law enforcement to quickly determine their status should they be reported missing.

Whenever possible, SPC will make every effort to protect an adult student's privacy by utilizing their registered confidential contact. However, College officials reserve the right to notify a student's parents, or anyone else deemed necessary in order to ensure the student's health and safety.

#### **Action Plan**

SPC Police, the residence hall director, the Dean of Students, or the Associate Dean of Students shall be notified immediately whenever any member of the campus community receives a report that a student is missing. If not reported directly to SPC Police, any missing student report shall be referred immediately to the SPC police department.

Within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing, SPC Police or the Dean of Students will notify the emergency contact person and, in the case of students under the age of 18, the custodial parent/guardian, that the student is believed to be missing.

If the student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, in addition to notifying any additional contact person designated, the custodial parent or guardian will be notified within 24 hours of the determination that the student is missing.

Local law enforcement agencies within appropriate jurisdictions will be notified that the student has been reported missing and request assistance in locating the student.

Information regarding missing residential students will be initiated and verified by SPC law enforcement and pertinent information disseminated through the College's Office of Marketing and Recruitment, unless other arrangements are warranted. All inquiries to the College regarding missing students, or information provided to any individual at the College about a missing student, shall be referred to the College's Office of Marketing and Recruitment, who may refer such inquiries and information back to SPC law enforcement personnel.

Once a report of a missing person is received, should the circumstances surrounding the missing person indicate other members of the campus community are in danger, the Chief of Police may disseminate a campus wide "timely warning".

#### **Related Policy:**

FOC – Residential Housing Missing Student Notification Policy and Procedures

## AFTER A CRIME HAS BEEN COMMITTED

#### **Student Disciplinary Investigation and Procedures**

The SPC Student Guide, the Faculty Handbook, the Student Conduct and Discipline Policy, and the Equal Opportunity, Harassment and Nondiscrimination Policies and Procedures outline the prompt, fair, and impartial process used by the College. This step-by-step process from intake to resolution is conducted by trained investigators and student conduct officers.

#### **Investigators and Student Conduct Officers**

Investigators, student conduct officers, student conduct committees, and other staff receive training annually on issues related to sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking that protect the victim and promote accountability. Trainings include in-person Title IX and Investigator Training from the Association of Title IX Administrators, trauma-informed interview procedures from experts with Voices of Hope/Lubbock Rape Crisis Center, and other webinars, case studies, and readings.

#### **Remedial Measures**

The College will take immediate action to eliminate hostile environments, prevent reoccurrence, and address any effects on the complainant and community prior to the initiation of formal investigation and/or formal conduct procedures. Regardless of whether the student or employee chooses to report the crime to the campus or local police, these immediate steps will be taken to minimize the burden on the Complainant while respecting due process rights of the Respondent.

Remedies for students may include, but are not limited to counseling services, victim's advocate assistance, modifications to on-campus housing, modifications to parking permissions, transportation coordination, and modifications to academic schedules. Remedies will be evaluated on a case- by-case basis.

#### **Results Disclosure and Possible Sanctions**

After the case has been reviewed by the Dean of Students, the possible outcome for offenses can range from a reprimand to expulsion from the College. Possible sanctions can be found in the SPC Student Guide.

Both the Complainant and the Respondent will be afforded the same opportunities throughout the investigation and at the conclusion of the investigation, must be informed of the outcome of the proceeding concerning the offense, consistent with the provisions of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

The Complainant involved in an incident of non-consensual sexual contact/intercourse, sexual exploitation, sexual harassment, stalking, or intimate partner / relationship violence has an absolute right to be simultaneously informed of the outcome, the rationale for that outcome, and any sanctions that may result. The Complainant will be informed in writing, without condition or limitation, and without substantial delay between notifications to each party.

#### **Appeal Procedures**

Appeal guidelines for Title IX issues fall under Policy FH and are outlined specifically. These guidelines apply for employees and students.

#### **Employee Disciplinary Investigation and Procedures**

Once a signed grievance form is received by the Director of Human Resources, an investigation may be conducted by that office and the appropriate administrative officers including, in the case of grievances involving gender discrimination, notification to the Title IX coordinator and the appropriate deputy coordinator.

The investigation will be based upon a preponderance of the evidence and may consist of the review of the grievance and any supporting documentation, examination of other relevant documentation, and interviews with relevant individuals. The extent of the investigation and its procedures will be determined by and at the discretion of the Human Resources Office.

#### **Employee Remedial Measures**

During the pendency of the investigation, the Human Resources office will confer with appropriate administrators so that the College may provide interim remedies intended to address the short-term effects of discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation.

#### **Related Policies:**

<u>FF – Student Conduct and Discipline</u> <u>DC – Grievance Procedure</u> <u>DDC – Due Process</u>

## **VICTIM RESOURCES**

Women's Protective Services of Lubbock	Voice of Hope Lubbock Rape Crisis Center
(806) 747-6491 or 1 (800) 736-6491	(806) 763-3232 / (806) 763-7273
(806) 747-0491 01 1 (800) 730-0491	(800) 703-32327 (800) 703-7273
Free and confidential nonprofit organization	Crisis intervention, support, and follow-up for survivors
specializing in advocacy for women, men, and children	of sexual assault and family members. They provide
who have experienced domestic violence.	24 hour crisis hotline, 24 hour medical
	accompaniment, counseling and many other services
http://www.wpslubbock.org/	free of charge to victims.
	http://www.voiceofhopelubbock.org/
Covenant Medical Center Emergency Room	University Medical Center Emergency Room
3615 19 <sup>th</sup> Street, Lubbock, TX 79410	602 Indiana Avenue, Lubbock, TX 79415
Emergency health care and forensic examinations	Emergency health care and forensic examinations
within 120 hours of sexual assault	within 120 hours of sexual assault
http://www.covenanthealth.org/	http://www.umchealthsystem.com/
Health and Wellness Center	Student Health Services
(806) 716-2529	(806) 716-2576
Provides short term counseling and consultation to	Provides follow-up medical care for students enrolled
students who are experiencing emotional and	in at least 6 hours on the Levelland Campus
psychological difficulties. Prevention and wellness	
education and programming for SPC, including alcohol	
& other drugs, healthy relationships, LGBTQ resources,	
suicide prevention, conflict resolution services, and	
victim advocate services.	
Dean of Students	Associate Dean of Students
(806) 716-2380	(806) 716-2381
Oversees the Code of Student Conduct. File Code of	Requests for room changes and support for students in
Conduct reports here or submit an online report at	the residence halls.
http://www.southplainscollege.edu/referral/	
South Plains College Police Department	Lubback Police Department
	Lubbock Police Department
(806) 716-2396	(806) 775-2865
File a criminal report if incident occurred on the SPC	File a criminal report if incident occurred off-campus in
campus.	Lubbock.
cumpus.	https://lubbock.casenumber.com/ or
	https://dbbock.tx.us/departments/police-
	department/reports-and-forms
Levelland Police Department	Absences Related to Student Illness, Injury, or
(806) 894-6164	Emergency
File a criminal report if incident occurred off-campus in	(806) 716-2380
Levelland.	Students should notify the Dean of Students.
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## **REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS**

The Texas Sex Offender Registration Program (Chapter 62 of the Code of Criminal Procedure) is a sex offender registration and public notification law designed to protect the public from sex offenders. This law requires adult and juvenile sex offenders to register with the local law enforcement authority of the city they live in or, if the offender does not reside in a city, with the local law enforcement authority of the county they reside in.

Registration involves the offender providing the local law enforcement authority information that includes, but is not limited to, the offender's name and address, a color photograph, and the offense the offender was convicted of or adjudicated for.

Registered sex offenders are required to periodically report to the local law enforcement authority and verify the accuracy of the registration information and to promptly report certain changes in the information as those changes occur. A sex offender who fails to comply with any registration requirement is subject to felony prosecution.

In October 2000, the Federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(I) amended Section 170101 of the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994.

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act required sex offenders who are required to register under state law to also provide notice of their enrollment or employment at any institution of higher learning in the state where he/she resides starting in October 2002.

Institutions of higher learning are required to issue a statement in their annual Clery Report detailing where members of their campus community can obtain information concerning registered sex offenders. [20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(I)].

Campus affiliated registered sex offender information is available for inspection by members of the community (by appointment) at the SPC Police Department during normal business hours.

The South Plains College Police Department may release sex offender information relating to campus affiliated sex offenders to anyone who:

- Is over 18-years of age and a member of the campus community
- Is not themselves a registered sex offender
- Is willing to certify to the understanding that the release of registered sex offender information is for the purpose of allowing members of the campus community to protect themselves and their children from sex offenders
- Is willing to certify an understanding that it is illegal to use the sex offender registration information to harass, discriminate, or commit a crime against any person who has been identified as a sex offender
- Is willing to sign a "Registered Sex Offender View Form"

Registered sex offender information available for public viewing includes:

- Name and known aliases
- Age, gender, race
- Physical description (including scars, marks, tattoos)
- Photograph(s) (if available)
- Crimes that were the basis for the registration requirement
- Date of last registration

#### **Public Access to Sex Offender Data**

Upon registration of an offender, the South Plains College Police Department forwards a notice, along with identifying information to campus officials. Additionally, the South Plains College Police Department maintains links to local, county, state and federal agency websites that provide public access to sex offender data. Relevant websites where registered offender data may be found are:

http://secure.ci.lubbock.tx.us/RSO/Disclaimer.aspx http://apps.co.lubbock.tx.us/predator/main.aspx http://www.nsopr.gov

## Sex offender information should not be used to harass or commit any crime against a sex offender. Public safety is best served when registered sex offenders are not concealing their location to avoid harassment.

#### **Campus Sex Offender Disclosure**

The South Plains College Police Department may proactively release details about an offender to the campus community if the offender has been designated high risk and is believed to present an imminent threat to our community or if there has been a reported offense wherein the offender is believed to be an involved party.

#### **Sex Offender Registration Requirements**

Registration within seven (7) working days with the South Plains College Police Department is required for a reoffender who:

- 1. Resides on property owned by South Plains College, or
- 2. Is enrolled as a student, or
- 3. Is a full/part time employee with or without compensation, including a volunteer, or carries on a vocation, attends school, or is a visitor to any campus property.

A campus affiliated sex offender shall also notify the South Plains College Police Department within seven working days of ceasing to be enrolled or employed, ceasing to carry on a vocation at SPC, or change of address. Notice of all registered offenders is forwarded via the police department to the College's President, Dean of Students, Director of Student Housing and relevant Academic Dean, and Human Resources Department and/or program director.

Campus affiliated registration of sex offenders will be conducted at the South Plains College Police Department. Persons required to register shall do so in person Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Registered Sex Offenders are prohibited from living in on-campus student housing facilities at South Plains College.

## **2020 SOUTH PLAINS COLLEGE CRIME STATISTICS**

The tables appearing on the following page(s) contain statistics constructed using data from documents acquired, maintained and reviewed by the SPC Police Department, Dean of Students, Dean of the Reese Center, Director of the Plainview Center, Human Resources Office, General Counsel, designated Campus Security Authorities (CSAs), Responsible Employees, and cooperating external law enforcement agencies.

Data is separately represented for the current reporting year as well as the three most recent reporting years for comparison.

- Table 1 Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 Levelland Campus
- Table 2 VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 Levelland Campus
- Table 3 Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 Levelland Campus

Table 4 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Reese Center

Table 5 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Reese Center

Table 6 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Reese Center

Table 7 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Plainview Center

Table 8 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Plainview Center

Table 9 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Plainview Center

Table 10 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

Table 11 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

Table 12 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

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			GEOGRAP	HIC LOCATION		
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY	
	2020	0	0	0	0	_
 MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT	2019	0	0	0	0	
MANSLAUGHTER	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
MANSLAUGHTER BY NEGLIGENCE	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	1	1	0	0	
RAPE	2019	3	3	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	1	
	2020	2	2	0	0	
FONDLING	2019	1	1	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
INCEST	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
STATUTORY RAPE	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
ROBBERY	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	1	1	0	3	
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
BURGLARY	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	2	2	0	0	
	2020	1	0	0	2	
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT		0	1			
	2018	1	0	0	2	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
ARSON	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	0	

 Table 1 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Levelland Campus

 Criminal Offenses Reporting Table

 Levelland Campus

VAWA Offenses Reporting Table - Le	velland	Campus				
			GEOGRAP	HIC LOCATION		
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY	
	2020	0	0	0	3	
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2019	0	0	0	0	
	2018	0	0	0	1	
	2020	1	1	0	0	
DATING VIOLENCE	2019	4	3	0	1	
	2018	0	0	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
STALKING	2019	5	1	0	0	
	2018	8	2	0	0	

#### Table 2 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Levelland Campus

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals Re	orting	Table - Leve	elland Cam	pus		
		GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT	NONCAMPUS	PUBLIC	
		PROPERTY	HOUSING FACILITES	PROPERTY	PROPERTY	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
ARRESTS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0	0	0	0	
WEAPONS. CARRIING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2018	1	1	0	0	
	2020	0	0	0	0	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0	0	0	0	
WEAPONS. CARRIING, POSSESSING, ETC.	ONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.         2018         0         0	0	0	0		
1005575	2020	2	2	0	0	
ARRESTS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	3	3	0	0	
DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2018	3	1	0	0	
	2020	37	33	0	1	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	33	32	0	0	
DROG ABOSE WOLAHONS	2018	14	10	0	0	
	2020	5	5	0	0	
ARRESTS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	15	15	0	0	
	2018	21	18	0	0	
	2020	24	23	0	0	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS:	2019	34	24	0	0	
	2018	19	16	0	0	

#### Table 3 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Levelland Campus

Table 4 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Reese Center
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Cr	iminal Offenses Reporting Table - R	eese C	ampus			1
				GFOGRAP	HIC LOCATION	
				ON-CAMPUS		
	OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS		NONCAMPUS	PUBLIC
			PROPERTY	HOUSING	PROPERTY	PROPERTY
				FACILITES		
	MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT	2020	0	N/A	0	0
	MANSLAUGHTER	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	MANSLAUGHTER BY NEGLIGENCE	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	RAPE	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	FONDLING	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	INCEST	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	STATUTORY RAPE	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	ROBBERY	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	BURGLARY	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2019	0		0	0
	1	2018	0		0	0
		2020	0		0	0
	ARSON	2019	0		0	0
		2018	0		0	0

VAWA Offenses Reporting Table - Re	ese Car	npus					
			GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
			ON-CAMPUS				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS	STUDENT	NONCAMPUS	PUBLIC		
		PROPERTY	HOUSING	PROPERTY	PROPERTY		
			FACILITES				
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2020	0	N/A	0	0		
	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
DATING VIOLENCE	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
STALKING	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0	<b>V</b>	0	0		

#### Table 5 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Reese Center

ests and Disciplinary Referrals Re				·	
	GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY
	2020	0	N/A	0	0
ARRESTS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0		0	0
WEAF ONS. CARATING, FOSSESSING, ETC.	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
ARRESTS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0
DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
4005070	2020	0		0	0
ARRESTS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0

		GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION					
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS		PUBLIC PROPERTY		
	2020	0	N/A	0	0		
MURDER / NON-NEGLIGENT	2019	0		0	0		
MANSLAUGHTER	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
MANSLAUGHTER BY NEGLIGENCE	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
RAPE	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
FONDLING	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
NCEST	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
STATUTORY RAPE	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
ROBBERY	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
BURGLARY	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		
	2020	0		0	0		
ARSON	2019	0		0	0		
	2018	0		0	0		

VAWA Offenses Reporting Table - Plainview Center											
			GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION								
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS		ENT	NONCAMPUS	PUBLIC					
	PROPERTY	PROPERTY	HOUS FACIL		PROPERTY	PROPERTY					
	2020	0	N/	Ά	0	0					
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2019	0			0	0					
	2018	0			0	0					
	2020	0			0	0					
DATING VIOLENCE	2019	0			0	0					
	2018	0			0	0					
	2020	0			0	0					
STALKING	2019	0			0	0					
	2018	0		,	0	0					

### Table 8 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Plainview Center

### Table 9 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Plainview Center

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals Re	porting	Table - Plai	nview Cent	er	· · · · ·	
		GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION				
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY	
	2020	0	N/A	0	0	
ARRESTS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0		0	0	
WEAPOINS. CARRIING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2018	0		0	0	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2020	0		0	0	
	2019	0		0	0	
WEAPOINS. CARATING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2018	0		0	0	
	2020	0		0	0	
ARRESTS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0	
DRUG ABOSE VIOLATIONS	2018	0		0	0	
	2020	0		0	0	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS:	2019	0		0	0	
DRUG ABOSE VIOLATIONS	2018	0		0	0	
	2020	0		0	0	
ARRESTS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0	
	2018	0		0	0	
	2020	0		0	0	
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0	
	2018	0	•	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY     P       0     0	0	

riminal Offenses Reporting Table	- Lubbock	Center			
			GEOGRAP	HIC LOCATION	
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY
	2020	0	N/A	0	0
MURDER/NON-NEGLIGENT	2019	0		0	0
MANSLAUGHTER	2018	0		0	PERTY         PROPERTY           0         0
	2020	0		0	0
MANSLAUGHTER BY NEGLIGENCE	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
RAPE	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
FONDLING	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
INCEST	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
STATUTORY RAPE	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
ROBBERY	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	1
	2020	0		0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
BURGLARY	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	1
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0		0	0
	2020	0		0	0
ARSON	2019	0		0	0
	2018	0	•	0	0

## Table 10 – Criminal Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

VA	VAWA Offenses Reporting Table - Lubbock Center									
			GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION							
				ON-CAMPUS						
	OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS	STUDENT	NONCAMPUS	PUBLIC				
			PROPERTY	HOUSING	PROPERTY	PROPERTY				
				FACILITES						
		2020	0	N/A	0	1				
	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	2019	0		0	0				
		2018	0		0	1				
		2020	0		0	0				
	DATING VIOLENCE	2019	0		0	0				
		2018	0		0	0				
		2020	1		0	0				
	STALKING	2019	0		0	0				
		2018	0	<b>V</b>	0	0				

### Table 11 – VAWA Offenses Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

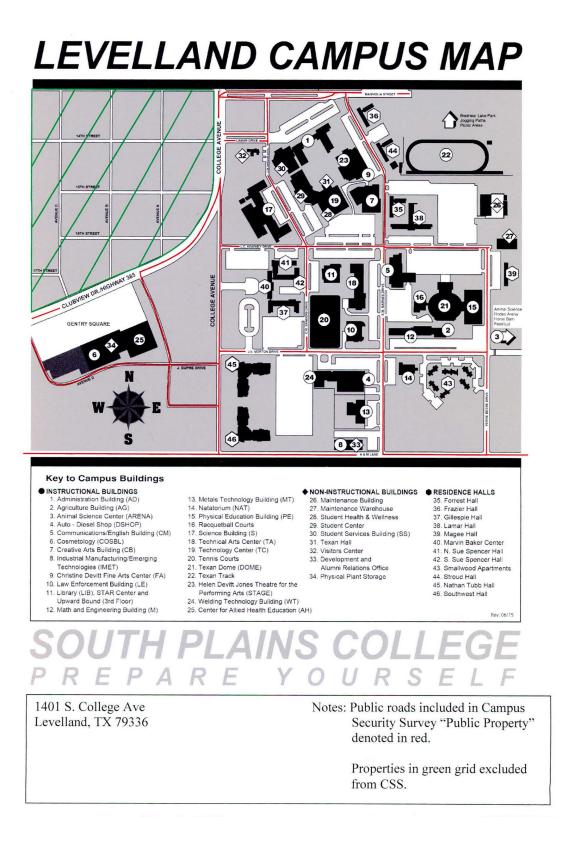
### Table 12 – Arrests and Disciplinary Referral Reporting 2018-2020 – Lubbock Center

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals Reporting Table - Lubbock Center									
		GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION							
OFFENSE	YEAR	ON- CAMPUS PROPERTY	ON-CAMPUS STUDENT HOUSING FACILITES	NONCAMPUS PROPERTY	PUBLIC PROPERTY				
	2020	0	N/A	0	0				
ARRESTS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0		0	0				
WEAPONS. CARRING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2018	0		0	1				
	2020	0		0	0				
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: WEAPONS: CARRYING, POSSESSING, ETC.	2019	0		0	0				
WEAFONS: CARATING, FOSSESSING, ETC.	2018	0		0	0				
	2020	0		0	0				
ARRESTS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0				
	2018	0		0	6				
	2020	0		0	0				
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0				
	2018	0		0	0				
ARRESTS:	2020	0		0	0				
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	1				
	2018	0		0	1				
	2020	0		0	0				
DISCIPLINARY REFERRALS: LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	2019	0		0	0				
	2018	0	•	0	0				

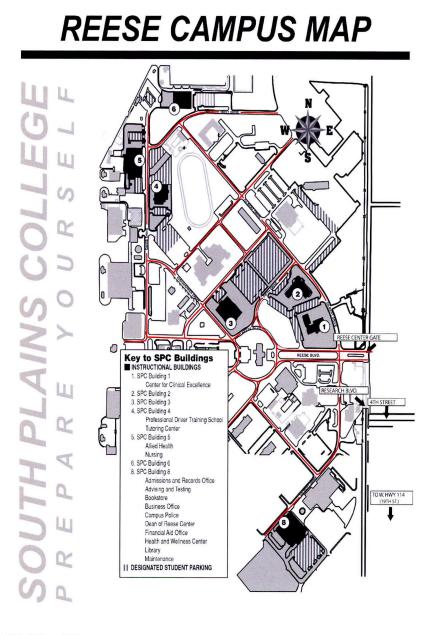
## APPENDIX A: CLERY GEOGRAPHICAL MAPS

Map 1 – Levelland Campus Map Map 2 – Reese Center Map Map 3 – Plainview Center Map Map 4 – – Plainview High School Campus Map Map 5 – Lubbock Center Map 6 – Lubbock Center

#### Map 1 – Levelland Campus Map



#### Map 2 – Reese Center Campus Map



819 Gilbert DR Lubbock, TX 79416

Notes: All areas of map are included in Campus Security Survey.

> Public roads included in "Public Property" section of CSS are Denoted in red.

#### Map 3 – Plainview Center Campus Map

# Plainview Campus 1920 W 24th ST Plainview, TX

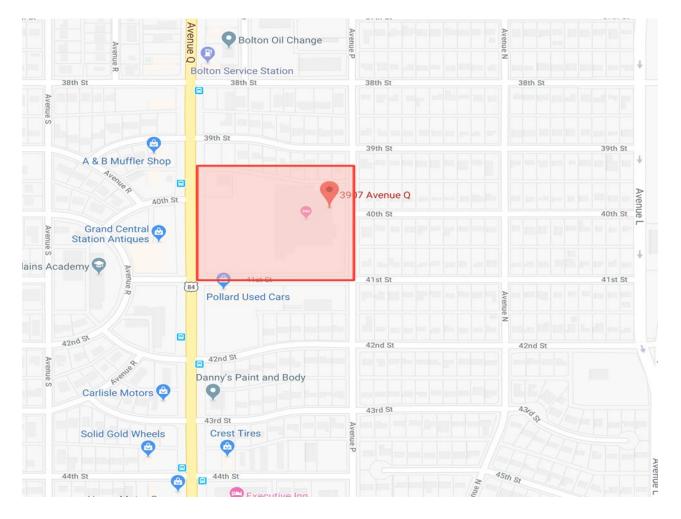


#### Map 4 – Plainview High School Campus Map

# Plainview High School 1501 Quincy ST Plainview, TX



### Map 5 – Lubbock Center Map



#### Lubbock Center 3907 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX

## APPENDIX B: TEXAS PENAL CODES

## **CLERY CRIMES: TEXAS PENAL CODE**

Based upon the Clery Act specific definitions, the following criminal offenses are applicable:

- Texas Penal Code 12.47 Offense Committed because of Bias or Prejudice
- Texas Penal Code 19.02 Murder
- Texas Penal Code 19.03 Capital Murder
- Texas Penal Code 19.04 Manslaughter
- Texas Penal Code 21.11 Indecency with a Child
- Texas Penal Code 22.01 Assault
- Texas Penal Code 22.011 Sexual Assault
- Texas Penal Code 22.021 Aggravated Sexual Assault
- Texas Penal Code 25.02 Prohibited Sexual Conduct
- Texas Penal Code 28.02 Arson
- Texas Penal Code 29.02 Robbery
- Texas Penal Code 29.03 Aggravated Robbery
- Texas Penal Code 30.02 Burglary
- Texas Penal Code 31.03 Theft (Motor Vehicle Theft Only)
- Texas Penal Code 31.07 Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle
- Texas Penal Code 49.031 Possession of Alcohol in a Motor Vehicle
- Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.04 Consumption of Alcohol by a Minor
- Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.05 Minor in Possession of Alcohol
- Texas Alcoholic Beverage Code 106.06 Purchase of Alcohol for a minor; Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.1121 Manufacture or Delivery of a Controlled Substance PG1A
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.113 Manufacture or Delivery of a Controlled Substance PG 2
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.113 Manufacture or Delivery of a Controlled Substance PG 2-A
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.114 Manufacture or Delivery of a Controlled Substance PG 3-4
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.115 Possession of a Controlled Substance PG 1
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.116 Possession of a Controlled Substance PG 2
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.117 Possession of a Controlled Substance PG 3
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.120 Delivery of Marijuana
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.121 Possession of Marijuana
- Texas Health and Safety Code 481.129 Possess or Obtains a Controlled Substance by Fraud
- Texas Health and Safety Code 483.041 Possession of a Dangerous Drug
- Texas Health and Safety Code 483.042 Delivery or Offer of a Dangerous Drug
- Texas Penal Code 46.02 Unlawfully Carrying a Weapon
- Texas Penal Code 46.03 Places Weapons Prohibited
- Texas Penal Code 46.05 Prohibited Weapons

Additionally, any violation that meets *Clery Act specific* categories but does not otherwise apply to the aforementioned penal offenses or those categorized by Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) guidelines are also included.

Some examples of offenses that meet *Clery Act specific* definitions for one or more categories but are not counted unless certain qualifying conditions are met are:

- Texas Penal Code 22.01 Assault (Forcible Fondling/Sex Offense & Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 22.07 Terroristic Threats (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 28.03 Criminal Mischief (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 28.08 Graffiti (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 31.02 Theft (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 33.07 Online Harassment (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 42.07 Harassment (Hate Crimes)
- Texas Penal Code 42.072 Stalking (Hate Crime)

## APPENDIX C: FIRE SAFETY REPORT

## HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ACT

#### Introduction

Fire Safety is an essential tool in protecting a campus community from injuries, deaths, business interruption, and property damage resulting from fires and related perils. Fire Safety includes education, training, and policies designed to ensure that all students, staff and faculty are aware of and understand the elements that help to ensure the safety of all.

In an effort to standardize the information that an institution publishes in regards to their own fire safety, the Department of Education developed a new law called the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA). HEOA is intended to ensure a reasonable and consistent notification of fire related incidents on South Plains College administered housing units.

#### Overview

In August of 2008, the Department of Education passed a law stating that all Title IV eligible institutions that participate in any Title IV program and that maintain on-campus student housing facilities publish an annual fire safety report, maintain a fire log, and report fire statistics to the Secretary of Education. Starting October 2010, the report was required to be publicly disclosed.

The Annual Fire Safety Report is produced by the Dean of Students Office. Copies are available on the South Plains College website at <a href="https://myspc.southplainscollege.edu">https://myspc.southplainscollege.edu</a>.

Printed copies of the Annual Fire Safety Report are available upon request. Please contact the Dean of Students Office or call (806)716-2379.

All South Plains College residential housing buildings are located on the main campus at 1401 South College Ave., Levelland, Texas 79336

## HIGHER EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY ACT ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT SUMMARY OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) requires that certain information pertaining to the Fire Safety in SPC administered housing units of current or perspective students and employees be reported on and readily available for viewing by any interested party. This document will address the following:

#### **Definition of Terms**

Cause of Fire Fire Fire Drill Fire-related Injury Fire-related Death Fire Safety Systems Value of Property Damage Area of Refuge On-Campus Student Housing Facility

#### Policies

Safety Policies Use of Electrical Appliances Smoking Open Flames Fire Evacuation Procedures Fire Safety Education and Training

#### **Fire Safety Systems**

Description of Systems for All Facilities

#### **Fire Drills**

Number of Fire Drills Held During the Previous Year

#### **Reporting List**

#### **Future Improvements**

#### Statistics

Number of Fires Cause of Each Fire Number of Injuries Number of Deaths Value of Property Damage

#### **Fire Log**

#### Disclosure of Information

Fire Log Fire Statistics Report Annual Safety Report Access to Annual Security Report

## **DEFINITIONS OF TERMS**

#### **Cause of Fire**

The factor or factors that give rise to a fire. The casual factor may be, but is not limited to, the result of an intentional or unintentional action, mechanical failure, or act of nature.

#### Fire

Any substance of open flame or other burning in a place not intended to contain the burning or in an uncontrolled manner.

#### **Fire Drill**

A supervised practice of a mandatory evacuation of a building for a fire.

#### **Fire-related Injury**

An instance in which a person is injured as a result of a fire, including an injury sustained from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of the fire. The term person may include students, faculty, staff, visitors, firefighters, or any other individuals.

#### **Fire-related Death**

Any instance in which a person

- 1. Is killed as a result of fire, including death resulting from a natural or accidental cause while involved in fire control, attempting rescue, or escaping from the dangers of a fire; or
- 2. Dies within one year of injuries sustained as a result of the fire.

#### **Fire Safety System**

Any mechanism or system related to the detection of a fire, the warning resulting from a fire, or the control of a fire. This system may include sprinkler systems or other fire extinguishing systems, fire detection devices, standalone smoke alarms, devices that alert one to the presence of a fire, such as horns, bells, or strobe lights; smoke-control and reduction mechanisms, and fire doors and walls that reduce the spread of a fire.

#### Value of Property Damage

The estimated value of the loss of the structure and contents, in terms of the cost of replacement in like kind and quantity. This estimate should include contents damaged by fire and related damages caused by smoke, water and overhaul; however, it does not include indirect loss, such as business interruption.

#### Area of Refuge

An area where persons unable to use stairways can remain temporarily to await instructions or assistance during emergency evacuation.

#### **On-Campus Student Housing Facility**

A dormitory or other residential facility for students that is located on an institution's campus. All student housing policies are described in the Student Housing Handbook, which is available to every resident on the website at <a href="http://www.southplainscollege.edu">www.southplainscollege.edu</a>.

## POLICIES

## **Safety Policies: Use of Electrical Appliances**

#### Electrical Safety - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 32:

Extension cords may be used on a limited basis in a residence hall room. Regular household extension cords are strictly prohibited. Only cords with an AWG (American Wire Gauge) rating of 14 or lower and are 25' or less may be used. Extension cords may be plugged into circuit breaker protected power strips, but power strips should not be plugged into extension cords. Extension cords and power strips should never be placed above the ceiling tiles, underneath carpet or stapled or pinched in anyway. Only power strips and multi-plugs with built in circuit breakers (surge protectors) may be used in rooms. Improper use of extension cords may result in confiscation and/or disciplinary action.

#### Appliances - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 29

Electrical appliances not allowed include, but are not limited to: air conditioning units, room water coolers, camping stoves, ceiling fans, electric skillets or woks, griddles, halogen lamps, potpourri pots, waffle makers, hot oil popcorn poppers, hot plates, coffee pots, oven broilers, power tools, any appliance with an open coil, space heaters, toasters, or toaster ovens. No wireless routers or modems may be used in the residence halls.

Hall staff will confiscate unauthorized or misused appliances, and the individuals responsible may be subject to disciplinary action.

Allowed appliances include: Microwaves, mini-refrigerators (one per resident, 3.2 cubic feet maximum), single serve coffee makers (unless it includes a hot plate), hot air popcorn poppers, rice cookers, blenders, and televisions (40 in maximum).

No locks can be placed on any appliances. Refrigerators may be inspected during health and safety inspections.

#### Smoking (Tobacco Use) - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 38

The use of any tobacco product (including smokeless tobacco), electronic cigarette, or vapor device throughout all indoor areas and within a 25-foot perimeter around all facility entrances, exits and HVAC air intake vents under the control of SPC, including sporting facilities and in SPC vehicles, is prohibited. Smoking or vaping in a room will result in disciplinary measures and possible a fine. Effective September 1, 2019 the legal age to use tobacco products is 21.

#### Open Flames and Fire Equipment - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 24 and 38

It is imperative that fire and safety equipment functions properly when it is needed. The following acts are prohibited:

- Tampering with fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, exit lights, or emergency lights
- Tampering with or pulling a fire alarm under false pretense
- Removing smoke detector batteries or otherwise rendering a smoke detector inoperable
- Propping open fire doors
- Obstructing halls and stairwells with furniture, debris and other materials
- Hanging objects from smoke detectors

Residents who jeopardize the safety of any resident will be subject to severe disciplinary action. Tampering with fire equipment or acts of arson can result in civil prosecution, disciplinary action, and possible fines.

No items that have open flames, flammable fuels or open coils may be used in a residence hall. Candles, candle wax, Scentsy warmers, candle warmers, potpourri pots, oil burners, incense and scented plug-ins are prohibited in the residence hall rooms, lobbies, and storerooms due to possible fire hazards. This rule includes decorative candles with burned or

unburned wicks and wickless candles. Violation of this rule may result in immediate relocation and disciplinary action. These items will be confiscated immediately.

### **Fire Evacuation Procedures**

### Safety & Emergency Procedures - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 24

In the event of an actual fire or a drill, all residents are required to evacuate the building according to the rules established by each residence hall. Follow the instructions of the Hall Director, Resident Assistants, CPD Officers, and/or firefighting personnel. Keep the following items in mind in the event of a fire:

- 1. Walk! Don't run. Be particularly careful in staircases.
- 2. Proceed directly to a place of safety outside of the building.
- 3. Do not attempt to salvage personal belongings.
- 4. Close doors and windows when you leave.
- 5. Before opening a closed door, feel it to see if it is hot. When it is hot, attempt to find another exit route.
- 6. A towel or blanket soaked in water can be helpful in combating smoke inhalation.
- 7. At all times, follow the instructions of personnel authorized to take charge at the scene of the emergency. If you have any questions about the procedures, contact your Hall Director immediately.
- 8. Stand away from the building.
- 9. Do not enter the building until given the all clear by staff or fire professionals.

Fire alarm pull stations and fire extinguishers are installed throughout the halls.

### Propping Doors - SPC Student Housing Handbook 2020-21, page 23

It is absolutely essential that corridor doors be kept closed at all times. In case of a fire emergency, closed doors retard the travel of smoke, heat, toxic gases, and fire from the area of origin. Propping of doors may result in disciplinary sanctions and fines. Nothing should be attached to a fire door. Tampering with fire doors may result in disciplinary action.

### **Building Evacuation Sites**

Building	Evacuation Area
Forrest Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Frazier Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Gillespie Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Lamar Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Magee Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
North Sue Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Smallwood Apartments	Parking Lot in front of Hall
South Sue Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Stroud Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Tubb Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall
Gerstenberger Hall	Parking Lot in front of Hall

### **Evacuation Maps**

Evacuation maps and placards are located on or near the doors of each hall. In Tubb Hall and Gerstenberger Hall, evacuation maps are also provided in exit corridors, at elevator locations, in the stairwells, and at all building entrances.

### Fire Safety Education and Training

In 2020, student resident assistants attended a training session prior to the arrival of on campus students. Fire evacuation and fire extinguisher training were included in the training session and will continue each year going forward. Instruction on emergency evacuation procedures was delivered. A demonstration of the fire alarm system was given, with instruction

on how to activate the system in the event of emergency.

Facility	Monitored Fire Alarms	Sprinkler System	Smoke Detection	Fire Extinguishers	Evacuation Placards	2020 Fire Drills
Forrest Hall	Х		Х	Х	Х	1
Frazier Hall	Х		х	Х	Х	1
Gillespie Hall	Х		х	Х	Х	1
Lamar Hall	Х		х	Х	х	1
Magee Hall	Х		х	Х	Х	1
North Sue Hall	Х		Х	Х	Х	1
Smallwood Apts.	Х		Х	х	Х	
South Sue Hall	Х		Х	Х	Х	1
Stroud Hall	Х		х	Х	Х	1
Tubb Hall	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	1
Gerstenberger Hall	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	1

## SPC STUDENT HOUSING FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS

#### Forrest, Frazier & Stroud

These are the campus' first residential buildings. These halls have community bathrooms and two residents per room. Each room has a smoke detector as well as the lobbies, mechanical rooms and the hall directors' apartment. Fire extinguishers are strategically located in each facility. Addressable pull stations are at each entrance to a building. These are audible alarms throughout the hall. Visual notification devices are installed in rooms designed for hearing impaired residents. A fire alarm annunciator panel is located in each hall director's apartment. Any activation of a smoke alarm or manual pull station will activate the audible and visual notification devices throughout the building and send notifications to SPCPD and Levelland Emergency Dispatch. Each hall contains Digital CCTV with cameras located throughout each facility.

#### Lamar, Gillespie, North Sue, South Sue & Baker Center

These halls have suites with a bathroom between two rooms, each room containing two residents. Each bedroom, hall director apartment, mechanical room, laundry room and lobby contains smoke detectors. Fire extinguishers are strategically located in each facility. Addressable pull stations are at each entrance to a building. There are audible alarms throughout the hall. Visual notification devices are installed in rooms designed for hearing impaired residents. A fire alarm annunciator panel is located in each hall director's apartment. Any activation of a smoke alarm or manual pull station will activate the audible and visual notification devices throughout the buildings and send notifications to SPCPD and Levelland Emergency Dispatch. Each contains Digital CCTV with cameras located throughout each facility

#### Magee

This building is a two story facility with suites that contain a private bedroom for each resident, with bathrooms between the front rooms. Each bedroom, hall director apartment, mechanical room, laundry room and front room contains smoke detectors. Fire extinguishers are strategically located throughout the facility. Addressable pull stations are at each entrance to the building. These are audible alarms throughout the hall and at the exterior of the building. A fire alarm annunciator panel is located in each hall director's apartment. Any activation of a smoke alarm or manual pull station will activate the audible notification device throughout the building and send notifications to SPCPD and Levelland Emergency Dispatch.

#### Smallwood

Structures include six two story apartment style buildings. Each bedroom, hall director apartment, mechanical room, laundry room and front room contains smoke detectors. Fire extinguishers are located in each apartment in the kitchen area. There are audible alarms throughout the apartments. Any activation of a smoke alarm will activate the audible notification devices throughout the apartments. Any activation of a smoke alarm will activate the audible notification devices throughout the apartments to SPCPD and Levelland Emergency Dispatch.

#### **Tubb and Gerstenberger Hall**

These modern halls are two story buildings and are the newest residential facilities on campus. These halls have suites with two bathrooms at the entrance to the two rooms and each room contains two residents. Each bedroom, hall director apartment, mechanical room, laundry room and lobby contains smoke detectors. Fire extinguishers are strategically located in each facility. Addressable pull stations are at each entrance to the building. These halls are the only two dormitories protected with a sprinkler system. There are audible alarms throughout the halls and at the exterior of the buildings. Visual notification devices are installed in rooms designed for hearing impaired residents. A fire alarm annunciator panel is located in the hall director's apartment. Any activation of a smoke alarm or manual pull station will activate the audible and visual notification devices throughout the building and send notifications to SPCPD and Levelland Emergency Dispatch. These halls contain Digital CCTV with cameras located throughout the facility

## **Fire Separations**

**Corridor** - Fire-rated walls in corridors generally have a one-hour fire rating, are located between the corridor and occupied spaces (i.e. Sleeping Rooms), and are designed to prevent the passage of fire and smoke into the corridor for one hour. The corridor is a protected environment permitting building occupants the ability to safely escape the building should a fire occur.

**Room** - Fire-rated walls in rooms generally have a one-hour fire rating, surround the room, except the exterior wall, and are designed to prevent the passage of fire and smoke between the room and adjacentspaces for one hour.

## DRILLS

On 2-7-2020 the South Plains College Residence Life staff conducted fire drills for the residence halls of South Plains College under the direction of South Plains College Chief of Police, Nickolis Castillo. The drill was announced. All building occupants at the time of the drill were required to participate. The building fire alarms were activated and assistance was given by the Resident Assistants and Hall Directors who knocked on the doors and informed the occupants that there is a drill and they must evacuate. Students were directed to the Evacuation Area and allowed to return to the building when the "all –clear" was given by the SPC Police. The Levelland Fire Department assists in drills when possible and SPC Police Department always participates in drills. Any student who does not comply with the drill is given a dean's referral.

## **Reporting List**

Emergency Phone Number – 911

SPC Police (806) 716 - 2396

SPC Police Cell (806) 891-8883

Levelland Fire Department (806) 894-3155

Dean of Students Office (806) 716-2380

## FUTURE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Future Improvements	Reason for	Status	Building Name	Building Type
	Improvement			
Conduct at least one Fire Drill per fall/spring semester	To maintain familiarity with fire drill procedure	Ongoing/ Recurring each semester. One per fall and one per spring semesters.	All Residential Units	All Residential Units

## **STATISTICS**

The institution must report statistics for each on campus student housing facility for the three most recent calendar years

which data are available. For SPC, the information is obtained from the SPC Police Department, Levelland Fire Department and the Campus Fire Marshal, which will provide the data based on the previously mentioned definitions.

## **FIRE LOG**

The Fire Log for South Plains College is maintained by the SPC Police Department and is available for viewing in their office and by request.

#### South Plains College Fire Log 2018

Incident #	Date	Time	Location	Nature of Fire (Cause/ Intent)	Property Damage	# Injured	# of Deaths
					(\$ amount)		
F18 – 01	4/22/18	8:00 am	Smallwood 302	Accident/Grease Fire	\$100	0	0
F18 – 02	5/1/18	2:23 pm	Lamar Hall	Accident/Sparkler lit	0	0	0
				(reckless)			
F18 – 03	10/25/18	2:05 pm	N. Sue Hall	Accident/Burned popcorn	0	0	0
			Kitchen				

#### South Plains College Fire Log 2019

Incident #	Date	Time	Location	Nature of Fire (Cause/ Intent)	Property Damage (\$ amount)	# Injured	# of Deaths
F19 – 01	11/8/2019	9:15 pm	North Sue Spencer Hall	Grease fire/accident	\$10.00	0	0

#### South Plains College Fire Log 2020

Incident #	Date	Time	Location	Nature of Fire (Cause/ Intent)	Property Damage (\$ amount)	# Injured	# of Deaths
F20 – 01	2/24/2020	6:50 pm	North Sue Spencer Hall - Residential	Accidental – Food burned	0	0	0
F20 – 02	10/13/2020	7:51 pm	Science Building – Non – Residential	Accidental – Construction tar box ignited	0	0	0

## ANNUAL FIRE STATISTICS REPORT

#### **Disclosure of Information**

Each year, by the date and in form specified by the Secretary of Education, an institution must submit the statistics required to the Secretary of Education.

Will include

- number of fires and the cause of each fire
- number of injuries related to a fire that required treatment
- number of deaths related to a fire
- value of property damage caused by the fire

#### **Annual Fire Safety Report**

- Must be distributed to enrolled students through appropriate publications and mailings or internet or intranet web sites.
- Must be distributed in brief form to current employees through notice of exact electronic address for internet or intranet web sites with a statement that paper copies of full report available upon request.
- Must provide a notice to prospective students or prospective employees of the availability of the report, a description of the report contents and an opportunity to request a copy. The notice must also include the exact

electronic address if the report is posted on an internet web site, an also include a statement that paper copies of full report are available upon request.

Will include:

- Fire statistics as described previously
- Description of each on-campus student housing facility fire safety system
- Number of fire drills held during the previous calendar year
- The institution's policies or rules on portable electrical appliances
- Smoking
- Open flame in student housing facilities
- The institution's procedures for student housing evacuations in case of a fire
- Policies regarding fire safety education and training programs provided to the students, faculty, and staff
- A list of the titles of each person or organization to which students and employees should report that a fire occurred
- Plans for future safety improvements

The annual Fire Safety Report is produced by the South Plains College Police Department. Printed copies are available upon request. Please contact the Dean of Students Office or call (806) 716-2380.



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