Ashland University
Elyria Center
Annual Security Report

The information presented in this report is in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. This information is also available on line at ashland.edu.

The Elyria Center of Ashland University is located on the campus of Lorain County Community College (LCCC) where undergraduate and graduate students come, Monday thru Saturday, to take courses which apply to a bachelors or master’s degree in education or certification/licensure in a specific field of education. The Center has eight full-time faculty and nine full-time staff members. There are currently 103 part-time/full-time undergraduate students, 271 part-time/full-time graduate students and 502 professional development part-time graduate students attending classes at the Ashland University Elyria Center.

Ashland University Elyria Center
University Center/Ashland
1005 N. Abbe Rd., Suite 105
Elyria, OH 44035
Ph. (440) 366-7505
Fax (440) 366-4066

Access to Campus Facilities

Except for holidays, the University Center facility is open from 7:00 am - 11:00 pm Monday-Friday and 7:00 am - 8:00 pm on Saturday. The Center’s Main AU office is open from 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Monday-Thursday and 8:30 am - 4:30 pm on Friday.

Safety and Facility Security

Personal safety and crime prevention is the responsibility of the individual student and employee and both are encouraged to be aware of their personal safety and security and the safety of others. While we will make every effort to maintain a safe environment (i.e. maintain adequate lighting, door hardware locking properly, etc.), we encourage students and employees to immediately report any security and/or safety issues to the Center Director at the above address, or by phone at the above listed phone number. Lorain County Community College has an on-site full-time security department and provides annual crime statistics to Ashland University. Victims of crimes and/or knowledge of a crime in the facility should be reported to the site director and the Elyria Police Department. Should you need assistance in contacting the local police, contact the site director who will provide assistance.

Reporting Crime or Emergencies

Any safety/security issues, or crimes, should be reported to the Center Director. Students may report issues to their instructor who should relay these issues to the Center Director. In the event of an emergency, or to report a crime, the campus community should notify LCCC Campus Security at x 4444 (440.366.4444) or the local police by dialing 911. They may also use one of the emergency phones located throughout the campus. In the event a security and/or safety issue may represent a threat to others on campus, the Center Director should be notified to initiate timely warnings to the campus community. Victims of any crime may file a confidential report with the site director. The site director must report all felony crimes to the local police department; however identifying information may be withheld. Psychological and pastoral counselors are not on staff at this site.
Timely Warnings/Emergency Notification

All emergencies and/or crimes should be reported to the Center Director for the purpose of determining whether an emergency notification is warranted. When there is no immediate threat to the safety of the campus community, yet notification of security/safety concerns are warranted (i.e. patterns of theft) an “Advisory” may be issued with the incident summary. The LCCC Campus Security staff will assume responsibility in providing further communications.

In situations where there may be an immediate threat to the campus community, the Center Director will work with LCCC Campus Security staff to initiate without delay (upon confirmation of a threat and if doing so does not compromise efforts to contain an emergency) security/safety “Alerts,” or “Timely Warnings,” using the following resources:

Text Messaging/Voicemail

Both LCCC Campus Security and AU Safety Services can issue text messages to members of the campus community in the event a timely warning or alert is warranted. Text messaging is not used for event announcements and other marketing information. Text messaging requires registering your cell phone number with Ashland University's notification system. To register for this free service, go to http://www.ashland.edu/student-affairs/health-safetysafety-services/emergency-notification-system-0.

Elyria Center students have the option of requesting alerts for their campus only, or receiving all alerts. Class cancellations due to inclement weather, or any other reason, will also be sent out via text messaging and can be found on both the Ashland University and Lorain County Community College websites.

Radio/TV Messages

Ashland University/Lorain County Community College may also use local and/or regional media outlets to broadcast emergency information. This resource would be initiated by the Center Director who will contact the Ashland University Public Relations office. Students and employees are encouraged to monitor these outlets for additional information.

Web Page

Elyria Center students and employees are encouraged to also monitor both the LCCC and Ashland University web pages for any emergency information and/or class cancellations or closings. Alerts will be posted to web pages at www.lorainccc.edu or www.ashland.edu.

Bulletins/Postings

Notices will be posted in conspicuous locations throughout the facility. An Ashland University bulletin board is located outside the main office door.

Resources

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Preparedness

Inquiries regarding emergency preparedness should be directed to the Center Director.

Evacuations/Shelter-in-Place

If the local authorities issue an order of evacuation, all students and employees are to comply with any directive issues by a civil agency. Employees should secure the facility if time permits. In the event of a shelter-in-place (i.e. airborne hazardous release, etc.), employees are to secure the facility (i.e. close windows, lock doors if necessary, etc.). During shelter-in-place, occupants should monitor local media outlets and the AU web site for up to date information.

Crime Prevention Education

Any inquiries regarding crime prevention steps and education should be made with the Center Director who may provide resources or schedule an appropriate presentation/training. Any recommendations or inquiries regarding safety/security issues should also be presented to the Center Director.

Wellness

Resources for any wellness topic (i.e. substance abuse, sexual assault prevention and education, etc.) are not maintained at the sites. Inquiries for any of these resources should be made with the Center Director who will contact the appropriate office on the Ashland University main campus.

Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act Information

The Campus Sex Crime Prevention Act requires sex offenders to provide notice to each institution of higher education at which the person is employed or enrolled. Because the Ashland University Elyria Center is located on the campus of Lorain County Community College, the LCCC Campus Security staff provides regular email information updates. Ohio’s eSORN website for Lorain County is (http://ohio.esorn.net/lorain).

Upon notification to the Center Director of a registered sex offender on or directly adjacent to campus, the information will be passed on to the Vice President for Student Affairs on the main campus of Ashland University. The Vice President for Student Affairs will determine if an advisory or alert is warranted.

Sexual Assault/Harassment

Any incident of sexual assault should be immediately reported to the local police by calling 911. The AU Center Director should also be notified (especially since an alert or timely notice may need to be issued). The Center Director will assist the victim with any arrangements regarding health and safety and reporting to civil authorities. Incidents involving students and/or employees where the alleged perpetrator is identified as a student, immediate sanctions may be instituted upon the alleged subject. These sanctions could range from restriction from the campus to an interim suspension (pending the outcome of a judicial proceeding). Both the accused and the accuser will be informed of the outcome of the judicial proceedings. The accuser and the accused are entitled to the same opportunities to have others present during the judicial proceedings. The victim will be presented the opportunity to change academic arrangements after an alleged sexual assault, providing changes are reasonably available.
Ashland University promotes a productive campus environment and will not tolerate conduct by any member of the campus community that harasses another employee or student, disrupts or interferes with another, or creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile environment. This includes threatening behavior, violent actions, and sexual harassment. Students who feel they are the target of any type of harassment should immediately report the situation to the Center Director. Employees are to contact the Director of Human Resources. Please refer to the Harassment Free Policy in the Student Handbook and/or the Employee Handbook for further information. Students are protected under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act and Title IX of the Education amendments.

Resources

| Ashland University Elyria Center Director | 440) 366-7505 |
| Vice President for Student Affairs (main campus) | (419) 289-5324 |
| Human Resources (main campus) | (419) 289-3054 |
| Local Police Department | 911 |
| LCCC Campus Security | (440) 366-4053 |
| Lorain County Rape Crisis Center Hotline | (440) 204-4359 |

Alcohol/Drug Policies

Ashland University upholds the applicable drug laws that relate to controlled substances and prohibits the use, possession, sale and distribution of illegal drugs by students, guests, faculty and staff. Alcohol is not permitted at any AU Center.

Missing Student

Policy:

Persons wishing to report a student missing should do so with the Ashland University Elyria Center Director, or the Security Department for Loraine County Community College. The Center Director will notify the Ashland University Safety Services office (main Campus). Reporting persons includes, but is not limited to: parents, guardians, family members and friends. All Ashland University employees who are informed of a missing student are also required to immediately notify the Ashland University Safety Services department.

Ashland University Safety Services will immediately notify the Vice President for Student Affairs and begin to investigate the report of a missing student. If the student provided an emergency contact for this purpose, Safety Services or the Vice President for Student Affairs (or his/her designate) is required to make contact with the designated contact no later than 24 hours after the student has been determined to be missing. For reporting purposes it is not necessary for a concerned individual to wait 24 hours to report a student missing. For students under the age of 18 (and not emancipated), Ashland University is required to notify a custodial parent or guardian no later than 24 hours after the student has been determined to be missing. Upon determination that a student is missing, the Elyria center Director, Lorain County Community College Security office, or the Ashland University Safety Services will notify the local police.
Procedures:

Any report of a missing student should be immediately reported to the Ashland University Elyria Center Director and/or Ashland University Safety Services department. When a student is reported missing, the AU Safety Services department will:

- Refer to the Missing Persons section of the Emergency Operations Plan.
- Notify the Vice President for Student Affairs.
- Initiate an investigation to determine the status of the missing individual. Safety Services will employ available AU resources to investigate the students’ status. This will include, but is not limited to: residence life staff, academic advisors, AU Counseling Services, known associates, employers, etc.
- Make a determination as to the status of the missing student.
- Safety Services or the Vice President for Student Affairs will notify the identified emergency contact no later than 24 hours after determining the students’ status as missing. In the event the missing student is under 18 years of age (and not emancipated), a custodial parent(s) or guardian will be notified.
- Ashland University Safety Services (or the Center Director) will notify the Elyria City Police no more than 24 hours upon confirmation as to the students status as missing.
- Emergency communications to the campus community and outside resources will be coordinated by the Vice President for Student Affairs and AU Public Relations.

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LCCC Campus Security              1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria, OH 44035  (440) 366-4053
Onsite LCCC Campus Emergency      x4444                                  (440) 366-4444
AU Safety Services                401 College Ave., Ashland, OH 44805  (419) 207-5555
AU VP for Student Affairs         401 College Ave., Ashland, OH 44805  (419) 289-5324
Local Police Department           911

Crime Statistics

The AU Center Director is responsible for gathering information and maintains the annual crime statistics that are included in this report. The information contained in this report is available on-line by visiting the Ashland University website at www.ashland.edu. Should you wish to receive a printed copy, please contact the Ashland University Safety Services department at (419) 207-5555. The e-mail address is security@ashland.edu and the mailing address is 401 College Ave., Ashland, OH 44805. You may also request a copy from the Elyria AU Center Director. The classification of reported crimes is based on the definitions in the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook published by the Department of Justice. Collection and publication of these statistics is required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. Please visit the Lorain County Community College’s website at http://www.lorainccc.edu/campus+security for any crime statistics for this campus.
Elyria LCCC Campus

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*Non Campus Property refers to the LCCC Lorain County Growth Partnership located at 226 Middle Avenue (5th floor), Elyria Ohio 44035*

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Reportable Crime Statistics – Lorain County Community College

**Hate Crimes:** Involving Crimes or incidents of violence against persons characterized by bias against Race, Gender, Religion, Sexual Orientation, Ethnicity, National Origin and/or Disability. Also included in these statistics are crimes of larceny-theft, vandalism/destruction of property, simple assault and intimidation. Geographical Areas: On Campus and Public Property. 2010, 2111, 2012. For 2012 one hate crime was intimidation based on sexual orientation. Three hate crimes were destruction/damage/vandalism of property. One incident was based on sexual orientation. Two were based on race.

**Public Property** refers to all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, that is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

1. Forcible Sexual offenses include offense of rape. One forcible rape was reported to the Elyria Police Department in 2010 but criminal charges were not pursued against the alleged perpetrator. Because the rape was reported to the local law enforcement authority having jurisdiction, the incident must be categorized and counted as one rape although no one was prosecuted.
Classification Liquor Law Violations does not include arrest for Driving Under the Influence and Drunk in Public

References

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AU Human Resources 401 College Ave., Ashland, OH 44805 (419) 289-5304
Lorain County Rape Crisis Hotline (440) 204-4359
Elyria Police Department 18 West Ave, Elyria OH 44035 (440) 323-3302
Emergency Police/Fire 911