Think Safety

Top 10 Safety Tips for College Students

1. Be alert to potential danger. If it doesn't look right or feel right, trust your instincts.
2. Be aware of your surroundings and avoid anything that does not feel safe. If you don't feel comfortable, leave the area.
3. Know where emergency phones are located. Familiarize yourself with the location of emergency telephones, both indoor and outdoor. Push the button on the callbox and follow the instructions of the operator. Emergency Services will dispatch Police, Fire, or EMS personnel to assist you.
4. Avoid walking alone on campus, especially at night. If you don’t have someone with you, call police and request an escort.
5. Avoid jogging or biking alone. And, if you must go alone, stay in well-lit, well-traveled areas.
6. Be alert to your surroundings. Remove your headphones and pocket your phone.
7. Have your keys out and ready before reaching your door or vehicle.
8. Don’t take shortcuts through dark areas.
9. If you think someone is following you, change directions and call the police.
10. Purchase pepper spray and a whistle to attach to your keychain or store in your bag.

FOR EMERGENCIES: 828.227.8911

If you need immediate medical, fire, or police assistance please call 828.227.8911. This is our Emergency Communications and Dispatch Center. Be prepared to tell the dispatcher where you are, what the nature of the emergency is, your name, and your contact information. The dispatcher will send the appropriate assistance to your location.

Report crimes and suspicious activity immediately: 828.227.7301 (non-emergency)

Campus Resources

WCU Police Department
Victims Services and Crime Prevention Coordinator
828.227.7301

Counseling and Psychological Services
225 Bird Building
828.227.7469

Student Health Services
Bird Building
828.227.7640

Sexual violence is a serious issue and real issue that affects everyone—all genders, races, religions, ethnicities, abilities, and sexual orientations. According to the The National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey, more than 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men experience violence such as stalking, physical violence, or rape (2011). We all can play a role in supporting victims and survivors as well as ending sexual violence in our own everyday lives and interactions by treating all people with respect. That means being cognizant of disrespectful language or actions, being a support and listening to your friends in times of crisis, and being an engaged bystander. Prove YOUR Purple and stay out of the red—you have the power to be a part of and contribute to a happy, healthy, and safe WCU community!

1. The Village – North end
2. The Village – South end
3. Picnic Area – Parking lot
4. Freshmen Overflow Parking Lot
5. The Village – East end
6. Norton Road by Print Shop
7. Fall 2014 – Spring 2015 Location
8. Killian Quad Pathway
9. Back of Library
10. Library Parking Lot
11. Fall 2014 – Spring 2015 Location
12. Old Student Union
15. Albright-Benton Parking Lot - E
16. Harrill Hall Parking Lot – North
17. Harrill Hall Parking Lot – South
18. Field House Parking Lot
19. Camp Bldg – Near Intramural Flds
20. Creek Lot Phone 1
21. Creek Lot Phone 2
22. Baseball Parking – Forest Hills Rd
23. Baseball Parking – Outfield Side
24. Health and Human Sciences Bldg
25. HHS Building – Lot by Trail Head
26. HHS Building – Overflow Prkg Lot
27. HHS Building – Overflow Prkg Lot
28. HHS Building – Overflow Prkg Lot