

PENSACOLA STATE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Staying Safe on Campus

Personal Safety:

- Program your cell phone for the Pensacola State College Department of Public Safety at (850) 484-2500.
- Know where the Public Safety department is located on each campus.
- Let someone know where you are and when you will return.
- Never leave your belongings unattended. Carry your cell phone and car keys on you at all times.
- Be aware of what is going on around you.
- Know where you are going and walk assertively.
- Use the track for jogging or walking, or pick a route on campus where there is high visibility.
- Never walk or remain in buildings alone at night.
- Report any suspicious activity to the Department of Public Safety immediately.
- Call the Public Safety Escort Service at (850) 484-2500 if you need an escort to your vehicle, the bus stop, or any area where you do not feel comfortable walking towards alone at night.
- If you think you are being followed, stay in well lighted areas and call (850) 484-2500. If possible, get to an open business such as a store or restaurant and wait for the police to arrive.
- Trust your instincts. If something feels wrong, it probably is wrong. Move away from the person or situation. Get out of the area and call (850) 484-2500.

Vehicle Safety:

- Keep windows rolled up, doors locked and possessions out of sight (in the trunk).
- Park in a well-lighted area and check around and inside your car before you get in.
- Make sure your car runs well and has plenty of gas.
- If your car breaks down, call (850) 484-2500 on your cell phone and/or lift the hood and wait for help while staying in your vehicle.
- Obey the speed limit on campus, and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks.
- Report all traffic accidents to Public Safety Department at (850) 484-2500. You will need to provide your Driver License, proof of insurance, and current Vehicle Registration Form.

Bicycle Safety:

- Use a bicycle light when riding at night.
- Park your bicycle in a designated bike rack, and secure the bicycle to the rack with a lock.
- Ride on the right and with the flow of traffic.
- Obey all traffic laws, which include stopping at intersections. Pedestrians have the right-of-way.
- Take extra care when passing parking lot exits and other driveways.
- Do not park your bike in a doorway, on stairs or blocking any building accesses.
- Keep a record of your bike registration so that if your bike is stolen, you can provide information for a police report. You can register your bike at the Department of Public Safety by calling (850) 484-2500.