Policies

Current Campus Policies Regarding Procedures for Students and Others to Report Criminal Actions or Other Emergencies

Dyersburg Campus

If you are the victim or a witness of any crime on the Dyersburg campus, no matter how minor it may appear to you, call the DSCC operator at 731-286-3200 or dial 0 from a campus phone (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or, after 4:30 p.m. call DSCC Security at cellular telephone 731-589-3250 or from a campus phone extension 910.

For emergencies call 911. Emergency phones are located in the hallway on each floor of each building on campus and instructions for use are posted beside the phone.

The Office of Physical Plant is open Monday through Friday, except holidays. Off hours assistance is available by calling 731-589-3250 or 731-676-8929 or 911. Dyersburg State Community College utilizes Security Officers 17 hours per day to patrol the campus by automobile and foot. Emergency/Assistance telephones are located in the hallways of each building. Emergency/Assistance telephones can be used anytime to contact 9-1-1 or the Office of Physical Plant at extension 3250.

Dyersburg Campus Security notifies the Dyersburg Police Department of all crimes. The office of the Physical Plant Director provides a monthly crime report to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The 3 most recent years of crime statistics are included in this report.

Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County

If you are the victim or a witness to any crime at the Tipton County Center report the information to the front desk during the day or evening classes call 901-475-3100 or dial 1397 from a center phone (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) or, after 4:30 p.m. call DSCC Security at cellular telephone 901-201-1344 or from a center phone extension 1314.

For emergencies call 911. Emergency phones are located in the hallway of each building at the center and instructions for use are posted beside the phone.
Tipton County Center Security notifies the Covington Police Department of all crimes. The office of the Physical Plant Director provides a monthly crime report to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The 3 most recent years of crime statistics are included in this report.

**Gibson County Center**

If you are the victim or a witness to any crime at the Gibson County Center report the information to the front desk during the day or evening classes call 731-855-1419 or dial 7800 from a center phone.

**For emergencies call 911.** Emergency phones are located in the hallway of the building and instructions for use are posted beside the phone.

The Director of the Gibson Co Center notifies the Trenton Police Department of all crimes. The office of the Physical Plant Director provides a monthly crime report to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The 3 most recent years of crime statistics are included in this report.

**Obion County Industrial Training Center**

If you are the victim or a witness to any crime on the Obion county center report the information to the Center Director during the day or evening classes call 731-884-0171. As of June 30, 2010 we no longer have any operations at this center.

**For emergencies call 911.**

The Director of the Obion Co Center notifies the Union City Police Department of all crimes. The office of the Physical Plant Director provides a monthly crime report to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. The 3 most recent years of crime statistics are included in this report.

Your promptness in reporting a crime increases the chance of the suspect being apprehended and preventing future criminal activity. The College allows any victim or witness to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis to the extent allowed by law.

When a person asks for assistance or files a complaint at any of the center locations, through Campus Security, Center Director or Director of Physical Plant all pertinent information is obtained and officially documented in an Incident Report. All Incident Reports are maintained in the office of the Physical Plant Director. Victims of sexual assault are encouraged to report the assault to the local police with the assistance of campus or center personnel. The assaults that are reported and all other felony crimes are reported to the local police for the center location.
**Policies for Making Timely Warning Reports to Members of the DSCC Community**

Dyersburg State Community College makes timely warning reports to members of the DSCC community via e-mail to students, faculty and staff regarding serious/violent incidents occurring on or near each location. Security information alerts are posted on bulletin boards around each campus or center building. In cases of a violent crime against a person (Murder, Sexual Assault, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, or Hate Crimes), an alert will be given as soon as possible after information is received regarding such an incident. Dyersburg State’s “Phone Tree” system and the institution’s emergency cell phone network. Text messages e-mail and phone calls will be used when warranted. The College President will declare an emergency state. The Communications Emergency Response Team will communicate all approved messages via all electronic message methods. The use of radio, television, and newspaper will be used when necessary to distribute information to larger audiences. Twice during each semester a test of our fire and tornado system will be implemented.

**Policies for Preparing the Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics**

The office of Physical Plant maintains a daily crime log of all crimes reported. The log is available for public view in accordance with the 1998 amendments to the Campus Security Act. Appointments must be made through the Physical Plant Department.

The office of Physical Plant collects crime statistics for the campus and each center location and requests crime statistics from the local police regarding crimes in public areas surrounding each campus or center. A monthly crime report is made to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation of crimes occurring at each campus or center location.

The crime statistics are reported to the Department of Education via internet in response to that agency’s annual call for input.

Dyersburg State Community College makes available the Campus Security Report to all students and employees during registration periods, semester employee updates, student orientation and on the Dyersburg State website at www.dscc.edu. The report is also made available to students when obtaining their college ID and parking permit. Published copies are available in each campus and center building.

**List of persons to whom students and employees are to report criminal offenses.**

Victims or witnesses who voluntarily report criminal offenses are to report offenses to persons listed below:

- Security or Director of Physical Plant (Dyersburg)
- Security or Center Director (Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County)
- Center Director (Gibson County Center)
- Center Director (Obion County Industrial Training Center)

A Dyersburg State incident report will be completed and forwarded to the Office of Physical Plant. Confidentiality will be maintained to the extent allowed by law. The local police department is notified of all felony crimes that occur on campus or at the centers. The
Tennessee Bureau of Investigation is notified of any crime determined to be of special interest. A report of crime is sent to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation on a monthly basis. A summary of the most recent 3 years crime statistics are included in this report.

**Policy regarding security and access to campus and center facilities.**

The campus, centers and facilities of Dyersburg State Community College are governed by the Tennessee Board of Regents (Policy No. 3:02:02:00) and are restricted to students, faculty, staff, visitors, and invitees of the college except when part or all of the campus or centers, its buildings or facilities, are open to the general public for a designated time and purpose or when non-affiliated groups, organizations, or individuals have been granted approval by the Vice President of the College.

Buildings are open during normal business hours from 8:00 to 4:30 Monday through Friday excluding holidays. Classroom buildings are open in the evenings when classes are in session until 9:00 pm or until the classes are dismissed.

All persons on campus or at the centers including students, faculty, staff, visitors, and invitees shall be subject to all rules and regulations of the college and the Tennessee Board of Regents and to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations. In addition, all persons who operate motor vehicles on the campus or at the centers agree by such operation to be subject to college and Tennessee Board of Regents rules, regulations, policies, and procedures on traffic and parking.

All persons on campus or the centers shall provide adequate identification upon request to appropriate officials and security personnel of the college. Personnel and students of the college who refuse to provide such identification may be subject to disciplinary action, and other persons who refuse to provide such identification shall be requested to leave the campus or center and may be subject to lawful removal and prosecution.

Safety and security have been considered in the landscape and lighting of the campus and centers. The Security Officer reports maintenance needs sighted during patrol to the Physical Plant Director at the Dyersburg campus. The Center Directors for Gibson County, Tipton County, and the Obion County Industrial Training Center report maintenance needs for their centers to the Physical Plant Director.

**The enforcement authority of security personnel, including their working relationship with state and local law enforcement agencies:**

Campus and Center Security officers are non-commissioned, do not carry weapons and do not have any authority, under applicable Tennessee laws, to arrest or detain any person on a Dyersburg State Community College campus or the Centers.

The Security officers and Physical Plant Director have a close working relationship with the local police departments (Dyersburg, Trenton, Covington and Union City), the county sheriff departments (Dyer, Gibson, Tipton and Obion), and the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation. These law enforcement agencies will assist the security officer as needed.
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If you are the victim or a witness to any crime at the Obion Co Center report the information to the Center Director during the day or evening classes call 731-884-0171. For emergencies, call 911.

Your promptness in reporting crime increases the chance of the suspect being apprehended and preventing future criminal activity.

The College is concerned with the safety and security of employees, students, and visitors on campus and at the centers. By using good security habits, you can assist us in safeguarding individuals, your property, and College property.

Active cooperation from the public is the key to reducing criminal opportunity. With your help, the risk of becoming a crime victim is reduced for you and others.

You can help prevent crime if you report and are aware of:

- Suspicious persons
- Questionnable actions
- Dangerous conditions

Trends of crime patterns, methods to prevent crimes, and other information pertaining to campus and center safety and security is regularly distributed to members of the Dyersburg State community through newsletters, memorandums, newspaper articles, posters, the DSCC web site, and other forums. Students and employees of Dyersburg State are reminded that they are ultimately responsible for their own security and are encouraged to immediately report any criminal activity observed.

Further, the Dean of Student Services or his representative provides safety information at all new student orientations.
Student Safety Policy

Dyersburg State Community College strives to maintain a learning-centered environment free from intimidation, threats, violent acts and theft. This includes, but is not limited to, intimidating, threatening or hostile behaviors, physical abuse or verbal abuse, vandalism, arson, sabotage, use weapons, carrying weapons of any kind onto school or institution property, or any other act, which is inappropriate to the academic environment.

Students who feel they have subjected to any of the behaviors listed above are requested to immediately report the incident to the Dean of Student Services. Students who observe or have knowledge of any violation of this policy should also report it immediately. Complaints will be investigated in accordance with the DSCC Student Handbook, and disciplinary action will be taken against the offender, if appropriate.

The College reserves the right to take any and all action required to enforce the above policy including searching and inspection of school property and material brought into or out of the institution.

- **Campus Safety & Security brochures are available in each building informing students and employees about “CRIME PREVENTION: YOU CAN HELP”**

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- The “Blue” flip chart “Dyersburg State Community College Safety and Security Procedures” is in each campus and center office and is in every classroom. The flip chart outlines emergency procedures for: Fire, Accidents and Thefts, Bomb Threats, Maintenance Problems, Suicidal Crisis Intervention, Homicidal Crisis Intervention, Chemical/Gas Leak, Evacuation, Toxic Fume Release (Off Campus), Medical Emergencies & Violent Crimes, Campus/Centers Security Services, Temporary Closings, Lost & Found/Door Openings, Student Conduct, Traffic Regulations, Earthquake, Tornado/Watch/Warning, and Shelter Areas.

Dyersburg State provides information about the prevention of crimes during new student orientation, during semester update and conference days for faculty and staff and the Campus Safety & Security brochures are available in every campus and center building. Information is also provided through DSCC email and on the College’s website [www.dscc.edu](http://www.dscc.edu).

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**Individual or Organizational Misconduct**

Behaviors subject to disciplinary sanctions shall include but not be limited to the following examples:

1. **Conduct Dangerous to Others.** Any conduct which constitutes a serious danger to any person’s health, safety or personal well-being, including any physical abuse or immediate threat of abuse.

2. **Hazing.** Any act of hazing of any variety by an individual, group, or organization. Hazing means any intentional or reckless act in Tennessee on or off the property of any Higher Education Institution by one (1) student acting alone or with others which is directed against any other student, that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of that student, or which induces or coerces a student to endanger his or her mental or physical health or safety. Hazing specifically refers to those actions taken and situations created in connection with initiation into or affiliation with any organization.

3. **Disorderly Conduct.** Any individual or group behavior which is abusive, obscene, lewd, indecent, violent, excessively noisy, disorderly or which unreasonably disturbs other groups or
4. **Obstructing or Interfering with Institutional Activities or Facilities.** Any intentional interference with or obstruction of any institutional activity, program, event or facility, including the following:
   a. Any unauthorized occupancy of institution or institutional controlled facilities or blockage of access to or from such facilities.
   b. Interference with the right of any institution member or other authorized person to gain access to any institution or institutionally controlled activity, program, event or facility.
   c. Any obstruction or delay of a campus/centers security officer, fireman or any institution official in the performance of his/her duty.

5. **Misuse of or Damage to Property.** Any act of misuse, vandalism, malicious or unwarranted damage or destruction, defacing, disfiguring or unauthorized use of property belonging to the institution including, but not limited to, fire alarms, fire equipment, elevators, telephones, institution keys, library materials and/or safety devices; and any such act against a member of the institution community or a guest of the institution.

6. **Theft, Misappropriation or Unauthorized Sale.** Any act of theft, misappropriation, or unauthorized possession or sale of institution property or any such act against a member of the institution community or a guest of the institution.

7. **Misuse of Documents or Identification Cards.** Any forgery, alteration or unauthorized use of institutional documents, forms, records or identification cards, including the giving of any false information or the withholding of necessary information, in connection with a students’ admission, enrollment or status in the institution.

8. **Firearms and Other Dangerous Weapons.** Any unauthorized or illegal possession of or use of firearms or dangerous weapons of any kind. T.C.A. 39-17-1309 prohibits the possession of weapons, including firearms, on any property owned, used or operated by TBR. Notice must be posted and verbiage for such notice is provided. The notice must state: FELONY. STATE LAW PRESCRIBES A MAXIMUM PENALTY OF SIX (6) YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($3,000) FOR CARRYING WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY.

9. **Explosives, Fireworks and Flammable Materials.** The unauthorized possession, ignition or detonation of any object or article which could cause damage by fire or other means to persons or property or the possession of any substance which could be considered to be fireworks and used as such.

10. **Alcoholic Beverages.** The use, possession, distribution, sale or manufacture of alcoholic beverages, or public intoxication on property owned or controlled by the institution; at an institution-sponsored event; on property owned or controlled by an affiliated clinical site; or in violation of any term of the DSCC Drug-Free Schools and Communities Policy Statement.

11. **Drugs.** The unlawful use, possession, distribution, sale or manufacture, of any drug or controlled substance (including any stimulant, depressant, narcotic, or hallucinogenic drug or substance, or marijuana), being under the influence of any drug or controlled substance, or the misuse of legally prescribed or “over the counter” drugs on property owned or controlled by the institution; at an institution-sponsored event; on property owned or controlled by an affiliated clinical site; or in violation of any term of the DSCC Drug-Free Schools and Communities Policy Statement.

12. **Gambling.** Gambling in any form.

13. **Financial Irresponsibility.** Failure to promptly meet financial responsibilities to the institution including, but not limited to, knowingly passing a worthless check or money order in payment to the institution or to a member of the institution community acting in an official capacity.

14. **Unacceptable Conduct in Hearings.** Any conduct at an institutional hearing involving contemptuous, disrespectful or disorderly behavior, or the giving of false testimony or other false evidence at any hearing.

15. **Failure to Cooperate with Institutional Officials.** Failure to comply with directions of institutional officials performing their duties.

16. **Violation of General Rules and Regulations.** Any violation of the general rules and regulations of the institution as published in an official institutional publication, including the intentional failure to perform a required action or the intentional performance of a prohibited action.

17. **Attempting or Aiding and Abetting the Commission of Offenses.** Any attempt to commit any of the foregoing offenses, or the aiding and abetting of the commission of any of the foregoing offenses (an “attempt” to commit an offense is defined as the intention to commit the offense coupled with the taking of some action toward its commission).

18. **Violations of State or Federal Laws.** Any violation of state or federal laws or regulations prescribing conduct or establishing offenses, which laws and regulations are incorporated herein by reference.

Disciplinary action may be taken against a student for violations of the foregoing regulations which occur on institutionally owned, leased or otherwise controlled property, or which occur off-campus/centers when the conduct impairs, interferes with or obstructs any institutional activity or the missions, processes and functions of the institution. In addition, disciplinary action may be taken on the basis of any conduct on or off-campus/centers which poses a substantial threat to persons or property within the institutional community.

For the purpose of these regulations, a “student” shall mean any person who is registered for study in any institution in the State University and Community College System of Tennessee for any academic period. A person shall be considered a student during any period which follows the end of an academic period which the student has completed until the last day of registration for the next succeeding regular academic period and during any period while the student is under suspension from the institution.

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**ALCOHOL/DRUG ABUSE INFORMATION**

Dyersburg State Community College prohibits the unlawful manufacture, dispensation, possession, distribution or use of illegal drugs and alcohol on the campus/centers property or on
institutionally owned, leased or otherwise controlled property including an affiliated clinical site, an Institution sponsored event, or as part of any activity of Dyersburg State. Various federal, state, and local statutes make it unlawful to manufacture, distribute, dispense, deliver or sell controlled substances. The penalty imposed depends upon many factors that include the type and amount of controlled substance involved, the number of prior offenses, if any, and whether death or serious bodily injury resulted from the use of such substance and whether any other crimes were committed in connection with the use of the controlled substance. Possible penalties for a first-time violation include imprisonment for any period of time up to a term of life; a monetary fine if an individual, supervised release; any combination of the above, or all three.

Tennessee statutes provide that it is unlawful for any person under the age of twenty-one (21) to buy, possess, transport (unless in the course of his employment), or consume alcoholic beverages, wine or beer, such offense being classified as Class A misdemeanor punishable by the imprisonment for not more than 11 months, 29 days, or a fine of not more than $2,500, or both. The receipt, possession or transportation of alcoholic beverages without the required revenue stamp is also a Class A misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days or a fine of not more than $50, or both. The offense of public intoxication is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment of not more than thirty (30) days or a fine of not more than $50, or both. It is further an offense to provide alcohol beverages to any person under the age of twenty-one (21), such offense being classified a Class A misdemeanor.

Students will be required to comply with DSCC’s policies as well as state, local and federal laws. Disciplinary Sanctions and Disciplinary Procedures are listed in this handbook on pages 129-130. Possible disciplinary sanctions for failure to comply with the terms of this policy may include one or more of the following:

1. expulsion;
2. suspension;
3. mandatory participation in, and satisfactory completion of a drug/alcohol abuse program, or rehabilitation program;
4. referral for prosecution;
5. probation;
6. warning;
7. reprimand.

Instructional sessions are offered through the College Wellness Program to inform students and staff regarding the dangers of drug or alcohol abuse. Informational posters are displayed in the campus/centers buildings. In addition, educational information is provided in the Student Handbook.

**Health Risks Associated With Drug/Alcohol Use**

Drugs that dull the senses to react, see, and think clearly include, but are not limited to, marijuana, antihistamines, tranquilizers, stimulants, inhalants, sedatives, hypnotics. Stimulants would include amphetamines, cocaine, and caffeine, which are mood changing drugs. Opiates, or pain relievers, include heroin, morphine, meperidine, paregoric, and cough syrups that contain codeine.

The use of alcohol can lead to serious health risks:

- loss of muscle control, poor coordination, slurred speech;
- fatigue, nausea, headache;
- increased likelihood of accidents;
- impaired judgment;
- possible respiratory paralysis and death.

Heavy drinking can lead to:

- alcoholism;
- damage to brain cells;
- increased risk of cirrhosis, ulcers, heart disease, heart attack and cancer of liver, mouth, throat and stomach;
- hallucinations;
- personality disorders.

Health risks associated with use of illegal drugs include:

- increased susceptibility to disease due to a less efficient immune system;
- increased likelihood of accidents;
- personality disorder;
- addiction.

The use of illicit drugs and the abuse of alcohol during pregnancy may cause spontaneous abortion, various birth defects or fetal alcohol syndrome. Additionally, the illicit use of drugs increases the risk of contracting hepatitis, AIDS and other infections. If used excessively, the use of alcohol or drugs singly or in certain combinations may cause death.
The College maintains a drug-free awareness program administered by the Counseling Office with assistance through regular organizational channels. Students may seek help from JACOA (Jackson), Northwest Counseling Center (Dyersburg), Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous. Referral services are also available.

Awareness and prevention sexual assault seminars are a regular component of Dyersburg State’s wellness program. Information is distributed in the Sexual Assault Awareness, Prevention, and Survivor Guide. Also, the bulletin board campaign each semester targets the awareness of sexual assault offenses and what can be done to prevent them.

Sexual Assault Awareness, Prevention, and Survivor Guide

Sexual assault is defined as any attempted or actual unwanted sexual behavior. Sexual assault occurs along a continuum of intrusion and violation ranging from unwanted sexual comments to forced sexual intercourse. Sexual intrusions and violations of any degree are serious offenses and compromise the integrity of the College community. All forms of sexual assault are prohibited at Dyersburg State Community College.

Definitions

Sex Offenses

As per the National Incident-Based Reporting System Edition of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program, sex offenses are defined as any sexual act directed against another person, forcible and/or against the person's will; or not forcible or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

A. **Forcible Rape** - the carnal knowledge of a person, forcible and/or against the person's will; or not forcible or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth).

B. **Forcible Sodomy** - Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcible and/or against that person's will; or not forcible against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

C. **Sexual Assault with an Object** - the use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or, not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

D. **Forcible Fondling** - the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcible and/or against that person's will; or, not forcible or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
Sex Offenses - Non-Forcible

Unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.

A. **Incest** - non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

B. **Statutory Rape** - non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Dyersburg State Community College is committed to creating an environment free from threat of sexual assault, while actively responding to the needs of those affected by sexual assault. Consistent with this commitment, Dyersburg State Community College has created a sexual assault education and prevention information Internet web page, which serves as the primary source for awareness, advocacy and referral. The information is also included with the College’s emergency procedures booklet.

A **Sexual Assault Awareness, Prevention, and Survivor Guide** is available in each campus/center building. Information included in this publication:

**BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS:**

Be aware of your surroundings and think of where you can go, and where you can get help if you need it. People frequently ask, "Where are the dangerous areas?" We tell people to be aware of surroundings wherever they are, not just in "dangerous areas". What is a dangerous area? Instead of naming places, apply these three (3) criteria of a place that has higher risk.

- Isolation, by location, darkness or both.
- Limited escape routes.
- Limited or no means of communication to summon help.

Higher risk areas could be anywhere that meets any one or all of those tests.

Dyersburg State Community College Security is available to escort you both to and from your classes. Contact them at 731-589-3250 or at campus extension 910 to utilize you of this service.

**CARRY A WHISTLE OR PERSONAL SELF DEFENSE ALARM:**

These can be helpful to summon help for yourself or someone else in the event of an emergency. If you keep the whistle on your keychain, it can be used as a mental reminder for you to be aware of your surroundings and your safety each time you use your keys.

**SAFE NIGHTIME SERVICES**
As noted, Dyersburg State Community College Security is available to escort you both to and from your classes. Contact them at 731-589-3250 or at campus extension 910 to avail you of this service.

**ROHYPNOL:**

Rohypnol is known as the "date rape drug", the street name is "roofies". In recent years there has been information in the media to informing people of the dangers of this drug. It was first developed as an anesthetic. Although manufactured in the US, it is not legal for use, and is exported to Mexico. People are urged to take precautions against this and any other drug that can be added to a beverage. Originally Rohypnol was odorless and tasteless, and could be added to a drink and ingested without the victim being aware of it. Changes have been made to make the drug visible in a drink, so it can be tasted or detected when you can't see the color of the drink. Effects are similar to those of alcohol as it can reduce inhibitions, impair judgment and cause the victim to become unconscious. When combined with alcohol the effects can be magnified. Additionally, Rohypnol can produce amnesia and the victim may not remember what happened while under the influence of the drug.

Use the following tips to help reduce the risk of exposure to this or any other drug:

Do not accept an open container from anyone, and ask that you open any containers yourself.

Maintain positive control of your drink at all times. If you cannot say that it would have been impossible for anyone to place anything in your drink, then throw it away.

If you leave your drink unattended for any length of time, get a new drink.

Do not leave your drink out for anyone else to drink.

**SYMPTOMS:**

If you are not drinking alcohol and feel intoxicated, or if you are drinking alcohol and feel that you are more intoxicated that you should be given how much you've consumed, have a trusted friend take you to a medical facility immediately. There are tests to detect the presence of Rohypnol, but they must be taken within 48 to 72 hours of ingestion of the drug.

The potential for illegal use of Rohypnol exists, and we need to protect ourselves from it. However, evidence shows that the date rape drug of choice most campuses is alcohol. Approximately 80% of the acquaintance assaults reported by students are related to alcohol on the part of the victim, the offender or both.

**WHEN IT IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW**

When someone you know or care about has been assaulted, it is normal for you to feel upset and confused. At a time when you may want to help most, you will be dealing with a crisis of your own.
You may find it difficult to listen when s/he needs to talk about his or her feelings. You may hope that by not talking about it, the feelings both of you have will go away.

You may be tempted to make decisions for the survivor, to be over-protective. You may want to hide the assault from others. You may feel disturbed or confused when the survivor continues to be affected for weeks, months, and even years.

Some partners may want more physical intimacy sooner than the survivor does. Others may feel repulsed.

Maybe you feel guilty and responsible, believing you could somehow prevent the assault. You may also feel anger at the survivor or at everyone in general.

All of these feelings are understandable following the sexual assault of someone you love. Please know that if these feelings are hidden or expressed in hurtful ways, they can interfere with the resolution of your crisis and that of the survivor.

The survivor may need your support and understanding. You, however, also need support.

Rape is a violent assault, not a sexually-motivated or gratifying act. The rapist's aim is to dominate, humiliate, control and degrade the victim. Because the same body parts are involved in sexual assault as in making love, many people confuse sex and violence. Some respond to a survivor as if s/he provoked, wanted or enjoyed it.

Many people also believe rape is not traumatic. Not understanding the reality of sexual assault can make the crisis more difficult for both of you. The emotional impact of sexual assault does not disappear, and talking about it can help. Your feelings are normal, and resources are available for you too.

Students affected by sexual assault may also seek assistance in seeking and obtaining academic accommodations.

**Survivor Guide**

Members of the Dyersburg State Community College community who have been sexually assaulted are strongly encouraged to:

1) talk to a Dyersburg State Community College counselor (ext. 3242) and sexual harassment coordinator (Director of Human Resources, ext. 3316).

2) report the assault to Dyersburg State Community College Security and

3) obtain medical assistance.

**IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ASSAULT:**
• Get to a safe place.
• Do not shower, bathe, wash your hands, brush your teeth, use the toilet or clean up in any way. You could destroy evidence.
• Do not change or destroy clothing. Your clothes are evidence.
• If it was in your home, do not rearrange and/or clean up anything. You could destroy evidence.
• Get medical attention as soon as possible. (Evidence should be collected when you get to the hospital.)
• Contact a friend or family member you trust or call the local rape crisis center hotline.
• Most of all, know this is not your fault.
• Determine whether to report the crime
• Ask for a female police or security officer if you choose to report
• Locate an attorney to represent you (the prosecutor is not your attorney)
• Sue the rapist in civil court for money
• Request that someone accompany you in the examination room
• Be considered a rape victim/survivor regardless of the rapist's relationship to you

Survivors are advised to report any assault to Dyersburg State Community College Security as soon as possible after the incident. Thus, evidence, which might otherwise be lost after time has elapsed, can be collected. All reports of sexual assault are confidential to the extent allowed by law. Reporting sexual assault to Dyersburg State Community College Security in no way compels an individual to pursue a specific course of action. However, reporting does enable an individual to be apprised of the medical, emotional, legal and College options when dealing with the sexual assault. College personnel will assist students who choose to notify local authorities.

Getting back to normal can take a long time and you may be wondering if there is anyone who can help. Many survivors have found it helpful to talk to rape crisis counselors. You can find the telephone numbers of your local center here or listed in your phone book. You may also call the 24-hour National Sexual Assault Hotline, operated by RAINN, at 1-800-656-HOPE. By calling this number you will be automatically connected to your closest rape crisis center. Rape crisis centers are on call 24-hours a day waiting to help you.

A student who individually, or in concert with others, participates or attempts to participate in a sexual offense is subject to disciplinary actions by the College notwithstanding any actions that may or may not be taken by law enforcement authorities.

• The college disciplinary procedures include the right for the accused and the complainant to be present at any hearing.
• The right to have a support person present during the hearing. This person is not entitled to represent the complainant or to assist in the testimony.
• The right to have evidence of his/her past sexual history with third parties admitted as evidence.
• The right to have a hearing closed to spectators unless both the accused and the complainant consent in writing to have the hearing open to the public.
• The right to know the outcome of the hearing as defined by the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act.
• The discipline for acts of sexual assault may include suspension or dismissal from college.
• If requested by victims of alleged sexual offenses, the college will adjust class schedules or other reasonable actions that will reduce fear or concern.
Students involved in sexual abuse or violent situations are encouraged to seek assistance from the college counselor at extension 3242, in the Student Center.

Dyersburg State provides college-wide programs that focus on sexual assault and abuse situations. These programs focus on current strategies and available options in the event of assaults or difficult situations.

If you have any questions about Dyersburg State’s sexual assault program, please call the Office of the Dean of Student Affairs at (731)286-3234 (off campus) or extension 3234 (on campus).

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**CAMPUS SEX CRIMES PREVENTION ACT**

The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act and the Tennessee College and University Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2002 require that whenever a sex offender becomes employed, enrolls as a student or volunteers at an institution of higher education in the state of Tennessee, he or she must complete or update the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) sexual offender registration/monitoring form and deliver it to TBI headquarters in Nashville. As defined in section 40-39-102 of the Tennessee Code, a “sexual offender” means a person who is, or has been, convicted in this state of committing a sexual offense or who is, or has been, convicted in another state or another country, or who is or has been convicted in a federal or military court, of committing an act which would have constituted a sexual offense if it had been committed in this state. A “sexual offense” means the commission of acts including but not limited to aggravated and statutory rape, sexual battery, sexual exploitation of a minor, aggravated prostitution, and kidnapping.

Both acts designate certain information concerning a registered sexual offender as public information and therefore amend and supersede the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and other federal and state laws that previously prohibited the disclosure of such personal information. Since the laws require the publication of information pertaining to sexual offenders employed, enrolled or volunteering at an educational institution, said publication does not constitute grounds for a grievance or complaint under institutional or Tennessee Board of Regents policies or procedures. For requirements and information, please access [www.tbi.state.tn.us](http://www.tbi.state.tn.us).

For the purpose of reporting crimes, Dyersburg State Community College defines its boundaries as the following:

- Dyersburg State’s main campus is located at 1510 Lake Rd., Dyersburg, Tennessee. The campus consists of fourteen (14) buildings, parking lots, and vacant lots.

- Dyersburg State Community College Gibson County Center is located at 2071 Hwy 45 By-Pass in Trenton, Tennessee 38382. This property consists of one single story building with staff parking spaces outside the building, and student parking in very close proximity.

- Dyersburg State Community College Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County is located at 3149 Hwy 51 S. Covington TN 38019. This property consists of two single story buildings with staff and student parking spaces outside the building.

- Dyersburg State Community College Obion County Industrial Training Center is located at 204 South Second Street, Union City, TN 38261. The facility is a 20,000 sq. ft. facility which was completely renovated in 2002. The property is assessable by Second Street on the West, West Main Street on the North, a paved city alley on the East, and the Commercial Bank parking lot on the South.

The building meets or exceeds all local, state and federal building codes. The City of Union City provides security and fire protection for the facility. The building has a fire sprinkler system throughout and is monitored by State Systems Inc. Information concerning incidents of crime in the parking lots is included in the crime reports.
Union City police were unable to provide a statistical breakdown appropriate for Clery Act reporting for years 2007, 2008, and 2009.

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