

WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

CAMPUS PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY

SAFETY & SECURITY TIPS FOR RESIDENTIAL LIFE

Get off to a good start by following these safer living tips to make your residence hall a safe and secure home away from home.

- Lock your door whenever you nap, sleep or leave the room.
- Never admit an uninvited non-resident into the building.
- Report to your RA or Public Safety any strangers on your floor.
- Let your roommate, a friend or your RA know when you are going to be away for any length of time.
- Never use emergency exit doors for routine access or exiting.
- Guests of residents must always be escorted by the resident.
- Never prop open any exterior door.
- Always enter and exit the building through the main entrance doors.
- Never block or obstruct an exit, hallway or fire extinguishers.

Outside the residence hall:

- Be aware of your surroundings and the behavior of the people around you.
- Follow the *Buddy System* when walking outside after dark.
- Avoid working or studying alone in a building at night.
- Report any suspicious sounds, activities, automobiles, or people who you see.

Remember safety is everyone's responsibility!

Keep doors locked, even if you are away for a few minutes. An unlocked door can be an invitation to trouble. If someone calls or asks you for permission to enter your residence hall and you don't know the person, do not permit entry. If someone you don't know tries to enter a building behind you, or asks to walk in with you for any reason, respond with an emphatic "NO!" By using good judgment, you can help insure your own safety and that of others.

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