



Community Safety Bulletin

Bulletin Issued: Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2018

At 7:29 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 30, a W student called 911 and reported that she had been robbed. The incident occurred on 11th Street in the MUW Lot adjacent to the Education Building.

The student reported that she was leaving Stark Recreation Center and was approached by a male who demanded her purse, which was in the trunk of her vehicle. The individual was described as a black male, 5 feet tall, wearing a black leather jacket and black pants. He was last seen traveling west on Fifth Avenue South on foot.

This is an ongoing investigation between the W Police Department and the Columbus Police Department. Anyone who has additional information regarding this incident, should call the W Police Department at (662) 241-7777.

In light of the recent incident, the W Police Department would like to remind you to be aware of your surroundings and heed the following safety tips:

- Park in a well-lit area so you can see your car and surroundings from as far as away as possible
- Always walk with confidence and with purpose and with your head up
- Be prepared to enter your vehicle (when you are looking for your keys or on your phone, you may be distracted from what is going on around you); lock doors immediately after entering
- Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason
- Avoid walking alone if possible
- Report a suspicious person or suspicious activity
- Glance into the back seat and floor boards of your car before you enter and check for anyone who may be hiding inside

If you see an individual in distress or you feel threatened in any given situation, please call 911.

In the event an emergency situation arises, either on or off campus, that constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide alert will be issued through the University’s text messaging system called W-Alert to students, faculty and staff. Please take a moment to sign up for the W-Alert at www.muw.edu/police/preparedness/walertsignup.