Department of Public Safety

The mission of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) is to ensure campus safety, effectively employ crime prevention methods, promote individual responsibility for preventing crime, and provide a safe and secure environment for living and learning. DPS works collaboratively and proactively with the Baltimore Police Department to implement effective crime control strategies. A robust Closed Circuit TV (CCTV) System bolsters our security and safety measures. Over 400 security cameras are located across campus which are digitally recorded 24 hours a day at the University’s Base Operations. We also have over 90 blue light distress stations across campus, which have direct communication with a base operator at all times. Disaster preparedness continues to be a critical part of the mission of the Department of Public Safety. A public address system was added (2003) to the campus in order to warn our community about potential emergencies and expanded in 2008. The universities emergency notification system is explained further on the Public Safety web site. Instructions will be broadcast over this system to inform the community as to specific situations and to enhance our response time. In June 2007 we added a mass notification mobile phone text messaging system to alert the Loyola community of imminent threats to our campuses.

The Department is also responsible for parking enforcement on campus and in our surrounding neighborhoods.

410-617-5911 Emergency Calls
410-617-5311 Routine Calls
Campus Police
Campus Police patrol campus 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and is comprised of:

- 43 Special Police Officers commissioned by the Maryland State Police
- 10 Public Safety Officers
- 4 Access Control Personnel
- 2 Professional Investigators

In June 2006, Loyola began hiring off-duty Baltimore Police Officers to assist with campus perimeter security and high crime areas.

Campus Police works and trains closely with the Office of Student Life to ensure fair and consistent enforcement of both the laws of the State as well as the rules and regulations of the University’s Code of Conduct.

Tips on staying SAFE!

1. Be aware of your surroundings when traveling on or around campus.
2. Walk in groups when possible.
3. Use public transportation, shuttles or taxis when possible.
4. Use of electronic devices such as iPods reduces your ability to stay aware of your surroundings.

Crime Statistics

In accordance with federal law, Loyola publishes statistics of crimes committed on or around campus. For last year’s crime statistics, please visit the Public Safety website at: http://www.loyola.edu/public safety/

Department of Environmental Health and Safety

The Department of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) is responsible for minimizing
health, safety and environmental risks on campus. Specifically, EHS provides the following services:

- Evacuation planning
- Fire drills/mitigation of false alarms
- Building safety inspections
- Fire safety training
- Lab safety and blood borne pathogens training
- Hazardous waste disposal
- Environmental health
- Industrial hygiene supervision
- MSDS management

Fire safety on the Loyola campus is of the highest priority. All buildings on campus are equipped with photoelectric smoke detectors which are tied into a global command center fire network system. This system is monitored 24 hours a day, 365 days a year at the Public Safety dispatch area (Base).

Fire safety inspections on all sprinkler systems are performed quarterly and each alarm and fire extinguisher on campus is inspected annually. Sprinkler systems are installed in the following residential buildings: Campion Tower, Newman Towers, Hopkins / Lange Courts, Butler and Hammerman Halls and O’Conner Hall. Fire extinguishers are located in each resident housing unit on campus.

**Fire Safety**

**If you discover a fire:**
1. Sound a fire alarm by activating a Pull Station which will notify all nearby residents.
2. Call ext. 5911 or dial 911 and provide your name and location.
3. Use the nearest exit and immediately evacuate; close doors while exiting.
4. Check doors for heat before opening: when necessary, crawl low to exit.
5. Only use the stairs (no elevator use) during an evacuation.
6. Notify authorities when they arrive of any disabled persons needing assistance.

**Help eliminate fire hazards by:**
- Replacing damaged wiring on appliances
- Using only UL approved devices
- Avoiding overloading circuits
- Avoiding the use of extension cords
- Paying close attention to food when cooking to prevent burning

**NOTE:** Overcooking or burned food contributed to 50% of our calls to Baltimore City Fire Department.

**Items Prohibited in Residences:**
- Candles, incense, oil lamps
- Cigarettes/cigars/pipes
- Open flame apparatus
- Halogen touchier style lamps
- Appliances with exposed coils
- Hot plates
- Motorcycles, mopeds, gasoline engines
- Sheets/tapestries hung on walls
- Live Christmas trees and lights

**Access Control**

The Department of Public Safety is responsible for Access Control. We have over 400 swipe locations to control access to all of our facilities and residence halls. If you need new keys or key replacements please talk to your Student Life Representative. Lost keys will incur a fee, as will locked out assistance calls. Problems regarding access or lost ID cards should be e-mailed to IDCard@loyola.edu.

**Escort Monitor Program**

The **Escort Monitor Program** is a student run program under the leadership of Campus Police, which provides safe and reliable van service. Call X5566 to schedule your ride.

This program will:
- Pick-up & drop-off students on campus between 6pm and 2am
- Conduct extended hours Fri-Sat

**Transport:** After all other modes of transportation have ended for the evening, students, staff, administrators and faculty can call Public Safety at X5311 for transportation on campus.

**Baltimore Collegetown Shuttle:** This shuttle provides service to Loyola students, seven days a week from 7:30am to midnight. The stop for southbound destinations (Inner Harbor) is on Charles Street by Lange Court. The stop for northbound destinations (Towson) is south of the pedestrian bridge on Charles Street. **NEXT BUS**—Loyola shuttle routes and real time locations can be found at: nextbus.com