



Campus Security Department Annual Security Report 2025

Automotive Technology Center – Whipple Ave.



This report is provided by the Stark State College Campus Security Department to maintain our commitment for a safe and secure campus that is conducive for access and learning for our students as well as a safe working environment for our faculty.

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INTRODUCTION

The mission of the Campus Security Department of Stark State College is to provide a safe and secure campus environment in support of the Stark State College mission of providing quality, high-value associate degrees, certificates, and professional development in diverse, student-centered learning environments. The officers of the Stark State Security Department are committed to serving the Stark State College community by utilizing a community, service oriented, and proactive approach to safety and security services in a professional, effective, and courteous manner. This annual security report (ASR) is published as a requirement of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1990. The Clery Act is law that aims to provide transparency around campus crime, campus crime policy, and campus crime statistics. The ASR must also include policy statements regarding (but not limited to) crime reporting, campus facility security and access, law enforcement authority, incidence of alcohol and drug use, and the prevention of and response to sexual assault, domestic or dating violence, and stalking. Four distinct categories which must be included in the ASR includes:

Criminal Offenses

- Criminal homicide: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, manslaughter by negligence
- Sexual assault: rape, fondling, incest, statutory rape
- Robbery
- Aggravated assault
- Burglary
- Motor vehicle theft
- Arson

Hate Crimes (any of the above-mentioned offenses and any incidents of the following only if they are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)

- Larceny-theft
- Simple assault
- Intimidation
- Destruction/damage/vandalism of property

VAWA Offenses

- Domestic violence
- Dating violence
- Stalking

Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action

- Weapons law violations
- Drug abuse violations
- Liquor law violations

As Stark State College has a Main Campus and several satellite locations, the ASR for Stark State College is divided between the Main Campus and the various satellite locations. This ASR is for the Main Campus only.

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CAMPUS SECURITY OFFICE – MAIN CAMPUS, S-104

The Campus Security Office coordinates all security operations on campus. The Security Office in 2023 consisted of the Chief of Security, the Assistant-Director of Security, the Coordinator of Security, two full-time security officers, and 26 part-time security officers, all of whom are active or retired police officers. Campus Security Officers are assigned to work at all times when students or the public are using any College facility. On duty, Campus Security Officers have the authority to detain in violation of school policy and procedures. If an arrest needs to be made for a criminal action on campus, a local law enforcement agency will be contacted to do so with the assistance of Campus Security.

The Campus Security Office works closely with the Jackson Township Police Department on Main Campus regarding crimes on campus that need further investigation as well as the Stark County Sheriff's Office, State Highway Patrol, the FBI - Canton Branch and other law enforcement agencies neighboring our satellite campuses. Due to the law enforcement background of our officers and chief, a collaborative working relationship has already been established with several local, county or state police agencies. There is no, formal memoranda of understanding (MOU) in place with any of these agencies.

SECURITY and ACCESS to Campus Buildings

During operating hours, posted on the Building Operating Schedule including scheduled classes and events, the college will be open to students, employees, contractors, and guests. Contractors are required to report to the Physical Plant Department to sign-in and get an ID badge. Campus Security Officers are assigned to work at all times when students or the public are using any College facility. There are no residential facilities at the main or satellite campuses and Stark State College does not have any off-campus student organizations at this time.

REPORTING Campus Medical Emergencies

For life threatening emergencies only, dial 911:

- State your name
- State your location
- Why medical attention is needed
- Provide directions to the closest entrance
- **Contact Campus Security at ext. 4911 or 330-704-2582 to advise them of the situation**

If medical attention is not needed immediately, contact the Campus Security Officer **330-704-2582** to assist.

REPORTING Criminal Actions or Suspicious Activity

Potential criminal actions and suspicious activity are to be reported immediately by a student or staff member to the Campus Security Office by dialing **Ext. 4911 or 330.704.2582** or by going to the Campus Security Front Desk which is located on the first floor of the Student Services Center next to the main entrance. Once reported, an officer will assess the situation and respond accordingly.

At this time, Stark State College does not have a voluntary confidential reporting system for crime reporting. However, counseling as well as intervention services, that are free and confidential, are available through the Student Support Counselor (Room B230) to assist students, faculty, and staff with a wide variety of personal concerns. The offices of Student Support, Title IX, and Campus Security have collaborated to bring the campus community the REACH OUT App to download for quicker access to on and off campus help and reporting resources. The Reach Out App can be downloaded from your App provider by searching "Stark State College Reach Out."

If you are the victim of a crime, in addition to reporting violations to Security, law enforcement, or the Satellite Coordinator, students may also contact a Campus Security Authority (if they do not wish to report to Campus Security), such as the Student Support Counselor, a Department Dean, Coordinator of Student Life, Club Advisors for off campus field trips, and the Interfaith Campus Ministry. Reports being made should include personal and/or identifying information as it is important for Campus Security or law enforcement to be able to investigate the information in the report and avoid double counting crime statistics. If a victim does not want a report to go further than notification to the CSA, the CSA will notify the victim that he/she may be required to submit the information for statistical purposes, but it can be submitted without identifying the victim. All CSA's are responsible for making a good faith effort to report criminal activity that is valid and credible.

DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

Information about major crimes occurring on campus, or any type of activity which may threaten the safety, security or property of any member of the College community will be disseminated to the college community through several communication channels such as email, text/phone notification (RAVE), college monitor, college portal and/or flyer postings. This dissemination of information will be in a timely manner and help to make all students, faculty, staff and community members aware of a possible threat to their safety and security; to counter the effects of rumor and inaccurate information, and so individuals can take reasonable action to protect themselves and their property from being victimized.

TIMELY WARNING POLICY

Campus Safety Alerts are issued to students, faculty and staff in a timely manner for notification of Clery Act crimes and to heighten safety awareness of crimes that may represent a serious or on-going threat to the campus community. Safety Alerts also enable students, faculty, and staff to give the Security Department information that may lead to the arrest and conviction of an offender when violent crimes against persons or substantial crimes against property have been reported.

The Chief of Security and/or Assistant Director of Security are responsible for issuing Campus Safety Alerts. Every attempt will be made to issue the Safety Alert within a timely manner of when the incident is reported; however, the release is subject to the availability of accurate facts concerning the incident. Alerts are issued by Campus Security only.

TIMELY WARNING PROCEDURE

Campus Security will prepare a Safety Alert whenever a report is received of a violent crime against a person or substantial crime against property on campus that represents a serious or on-going threat to the safety of students, faculty and staff or other property.

Safety Alerts will include the following information:

- A brief statement of the incident including date, time, and type of crime
- Possible connection to previous incidents, if applicable
- Physical description of the suspect, if available
- Other relevant and important information, appropriate safety tips

Safety Alerts are sent instantly through college e-mail accounts to students, faculty, and staff and posted on the Stark State Security web page. Depending on the type and severity of the situation, communication tools may be used, such as:

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- Messages on **mystarkstate** portal under Emergency Notifications
- SSC ALERT Text messaging system (RAVE)
- Public address system
- College information monitors and/or
- Dial 330.704.2582 for emergency information

Whenever the Jackson Township Police Department or Kent Stark Branch Security issues a news release or safety alert about an off-campus crime that represents a serious or ongoing threat to the safety of students, faculty, and staff, the Campus Security Department will assist in publicizing the crime on campus.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EVACUATION PROCEDURES (Also refer to the Emergency Response Plan which is not inclusive of this report).

Any reports of suspicious or criminal activity should be reported immediately to the Campus Security Department by dialing 330-704-2582 or at the Security Desk located in the Student Center. In the event of an emergency or a dangerous situation happens on campus that involves an immediate threat to the health or safety of students, employees, or the community, Campus Security will respond, without delay, to determine the severity of the situation and the content of the notification to notify individuals who are at risk. However, if it is determined by the highest Administrative Official on campus or the Chief of Security that a notification could compromise the efforts to assist victims or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency then the notification system will be initiated when it is determined that efforts will no longer be compromised by notifying the college community.

During any emergency response and/or evacuation on campus, all security personnel will assist in evacuating the college along with designated maintenance staff and evacuation leaders, depending on the severity of the situation. Security personnel and designated maintenance staff will assist with manning doors to avoid re-entry or entry into the campus. The Chief of Security and/or designated officer and maintenance staff will assist local responding emergency resources as necessary and keep all units advised of the situation. The Chief of Security, Assistant Director, and/or Security Support Staff will coordinate the communications effort by sending out SSC Alerts, emails, or P.A. Announcements to the college community while continuously maintaining communication with officers and/or Chief of Security, maintenance staff, and all outside agencies for updates on the situation. The highest Administrative Official on campus will be contacted, advised of the situation, and asked for approval before any re-entry into the building. The Chief of Security, Assistant Director, and/or the Security Support Staff will advise all units and maintenance staff when approval has been given for re-entry. The notification system will be initiated again at this point to update the college community on the situation.

Notification during an emergency on campus is crucial. The college provides students with an opt-in notification system called **SSC Alert (RAVE)** as one important communication tool. We encourage students, faculty, staff, and tenants to sign up for this service to stay notified and aware of campus emergencies, campus closings, or other emergency notifications on campus. The sign up for this notification tool can be found on the home page of **mystarkstate** under the Rave Mobile Safety section. There is also contact information for the Assistant Director of Security in this section as well to contact for assistance to sign up if needed.

Stark State Security has initiated a campus evacuation leader program where designated college employees are trained to assist with evacuating their area. **Although we request the assistance of the leaders during an evacuation, please recognize that it is everyone's responsibility to know their evacuation routes, shelter areas, and assist with notifying a classroom or office that may not have evacuated.**

Evacuation Leader duties are as follows:

- Make sure everyone in their area is aware there is an alarm
- Make sure everyone in their area exits the area
- Close, but do not lock, area doors
- Advise everyone outside to move away from the building
- Record attendance of evacuated employees and notify Security or emergency response personnel if someone is missing
- Try to insure no one re-enters the building until properly cleared to do so.
- Periodically remind employees in their area of evacuation plans

Evacuation Procedures for the College Community

Each room or area of the college has an evacuation plan posted. Make yourself familiar with the evacuation route from each room you may be using.

Faculty members should discuss the evacuation plan with each class they teach. [This is very important.](#)

DURING AN EMERGENCY:

- Remain Calm
- Do not use an elevator
- Avoid wasting time, exit as quickly as possible
- Follow EXIT signs
- Try to avoid smoky halls or stairwells

Once you have exited, move away from the building. This is to leave room for others to exit and for your safety. Try to regroup with your co-workers or classmates so your presence can be accounted for. Because of the possibility of flammables, do not smoke outside until the “All Clear” notice is received. **Do not reenter the college until the “All Clear” has been received.**

ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Some members of the college community have disabilities that will make it difficult or impossible for them to evacuate without assistance. The fact that elevators cannot be used during evacuation makes it impossible for some people to get to the lower levels and to exit doors.

Watch for individuals who may be stranded or having problems negotiating stairways and ask them how you can assist. The individual with the disability can advise you the best way you can help them.

Evacuation Information for Individuals with Disabilities

Preplanning:

- Locate the nearest stairwell to each classroom each semester
- Form a "buddy" alliance with a classmate or instructor to notify Campus Security personnel of your location if an evacuation is necessary
- Program **330.704.2582** in your cell phone to alert Security of your location

Evacuation Guidelines:

- Quickly connect with your “buddy” in the classroom to notify them you and your personnel care attendant (if available) will be at your preplanned location
- Go to the nearest stairwell (try not to block the path of travel) with your personal care attendant (if

available) for Security or Jackson Fire assistance

- Continually attempt to communicate your situation to those around you to notify help AND contact Security personnel at **330.704.2582**
- If you have notified security personnel and get evacuation assistance by other person(s), when you are safely away from the building, alert security personnel that you are safely evacuated

DRILLS and EXERCISES

At least once a year, Stark State Security will conduct practice evacuation drills to test the evacuation procedure in the Emergency Operations Plan. Fire drills are evaluated by the local State Fire Marshall for feedback on our evacuation process. These drills are a training device and prior notification will be given. During practice drills, it will not be necessary for individuals with disabilities to evacuate the College. However, during the drills they should go to stairwells or staging areas they would use during a real evacuation.

SECURITY AWARENESS AND PROGRAMS

Employees and students are encouraged to participate in several prevention programs such as REACH OUT and the Positive steps to Mental Health & Wellness Series for the benefit of their safety and awareness. The Campus Security Department, Student Support Counselor, and community partners have worked diligently to inform our college community on safety topics to help everyone be aware of their own personal safety and the safety of others. We teamed up to create safety awareness on Domestic Violence, Stalking, Intimate Partner Violence, Sexual Assault, Narcotics, & Suicide Prevention. A component of this promotion involved creating a campus resource folder that contained contact information to assist students and employees with finding on campus resources and resources within the community. Resources on Crime Awareness and new campus initiative training programs were provided at the Community and Involvement Fair. Several Student Clubs, SSC programs, and the Student Support Counselor brought in community partners such as COMPASS, SANE volunteer, NAMI Stark County, Rape Crisis Center in Summit County, Stark Strong, and the Domestic Violence Shelter encouraging the college community to participate in workshop sessions creating awareness on domestic violence issues, sexual assault, mental illness, and suicide prevention. Opiate awareness and training are also offered and new Naloxone stations for use in case of an opioid overdose have been installed near every AED station at the Main Campus and at all satellite locations.

The Campus Security Department continues to offer Active Shooter Training sessions on campus taught by the Assistant Director of Security. The current program offered is A.V.E.R.T. (Active Violence Emergency Response Training). We invite students and faculty to attend covering the dynamics of active shooter incidents and options for things you might be able to do to increase your chances of surviving an incident.

The Title IX Office and COMPASS offered Club Advisors and Student Officers additional bystander intervention training. Faculty and students were provided with general information regarding sexual misconduct and given scenario-based conflicts to consider and discuss. Students and employees were also provided with online training and bulletin board campaigns throughout the semesters for awareness.

Each semester, Campus Security is invited to department meetings, new employee and adjunct orientation, UBMS orientation, and student events to promote security awareness and crime reporting.

CRIME AWARENESS

A **daily crime log** listing serious criminal violations on campus is posted on the Campus Security website as well as kept in the Security Coordinator's Office (S104). Anyone may view a hard copy of this log upon request.

The **Annual Security Report** is prepared by the Chief of Security by collecting crime statistics from campus CSA Officials, Campus Security and local law enforcement agencies. The Chief and security staff also review and update policies and procedures along with offering awareness training throughout the year. The ASR is

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distributed through college email, posted on the college website under Safety and Security, and housed in the Security Office (Rm S104) if a hard copy is requested.

Campus Security Services- Escorts and Personal Safety

Security escorts may be requested and scheduled by anyone leaving the buildings alone after dark or anytime a person has a legitimate reason to feel his or her safety is at risk. Campus Security can be contacted by dialing 330.704.2582. The cooperation and involvement of students and staff in a campus security program is absolutely essential. All students must assume responsibility for their own personal safety and the security of their belongings by taking simple, common-sense precautions.

All College buildings and grounds are maintained with concern for safety and security. Officers report all security and safety hazards to the Physical Plant Department or the necessary office immediately if found on their regular checks of campus buildings.

CRIME PREVENTION

The Campus Security Office staff is able to assist with and answer questions regarding crime prevention issues on campus. Officers can be reached by calling **330.704.2582 in an emergency situation**. The Campus Security Department promotes the **See Something... Say Something Campaign** on college monitors throughout the campus.

IMPORTANT CRIME TIPS

- **NEVER leave personal items unattended** in classrooms, cafeteria, or restrooms.
 - **Observe No Smoking Policy** (strictly enforced).
 - **Use the Buddy System** when leaving classes late in the evening. Two or more people walk to one vehicle.
 - **Report theft of credit cards and checks to Campus Security immediately.** Notify your bank or credit card company. Make sure you keep a separate list of your account numbers.
 - **Report all criminal activity and/or suspicious activity to Campus Security immediately.**
- Emergency Line- 330.704.2582**

Throughout the year we publish crime prevention and security awareness information on our student monitors as well as take part in promoting awareness on our bulletin board and Campus Safety Day as well as advertising Criminal Justice and Cyber Security Program events.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Stark State College strictly prohibits the unlawful possession, use or distribution of drugs and alcohol by faculty, staff and students on College property at any time. Stark State College is a drug-free, alcohol-free institution. Sanctions for violations of this policy are fairly and consistently enforced; up to and including discharge of employees and expulsion of students. The Stark State College drug or alcohol prevention program is a referral system which is available to any member of the College community. Anyone inquiring about community resources dealing with these problems should contact Campus Security Office or the Student Support Counselor for assistance. Our Student Support Counselor also works with local coalitions to create awareness and educate our students, faculty, and staff.

WEAPONS POLICY

- A) Except as provided in paragraph B below, the use, possession or carrying of a firearm or other weapon on property owned or leased by the College, by any person other than a College Security Officer or qualified law enforcement officer as defined in Section 2901.01(A) (11) of the Ohio Revised Code, is prohibited and in violation of State Law.

- B) Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 2923.126 (B)(5), any person licensed to carry a concealed handgun may have a handgun on property owned or leased by the College ONLY if it is in a locked motor vehicle or the licensee is in the immediate process of placing the handgun in a locked motor vehicle.
- C) Students enrolled in the Stark State Police Officer Basic Training Program may possess UNLOADED firearms on campus when specifically directed to do so for training purposes. Weapons must be removed from campus immediately upon conclusion of the training session for which a weapon was required.
- D) Any employee or student found to be in violation of this policy may be ordered to remove the weapon from the premises immediately, and will be subject to discipline up to and including termination for employees or dismissal for students. Any person violating this policy may be subject to arrest or criminal prosecution.

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

On March 7, 2013 President Obama signed into law an amendment to the Violence Against Women Act. This new amendment reaches out to both students and employees on college campuses such as Stark State College. It amends the Clery Act to include statistics for the crimes of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. If these crimes were to occur, they must now be included in the Annual Security Report. This amendment also affords additional rights to victims, and provides primary prevention and awareness programs to new and existing students and employees.

VAWA POLICY

Stark State College desires to establish and maintain a safe and secure environment for our employees and students. **The college will not tolerate sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence or stalking.** Violators are subject to both criminal prosecution and college disciplinary proceedings. Domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, whether by a stranger or an acquaintance, whether against women or men, are violations of the law and the policy of the Stark State College.

DEFINITIONS

Domestic Violence - Defined as a felony or misdemeanor crime(s) of violence committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws where the violence occurred, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of Ohio.

Dating Violence - Defined as violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim and where the existence of such a relationship may be determined by the length of the relationship, the type of relationship and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Stalking - Defined by the VAWA Amendment as engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for his or her safety or the safety of others, or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

Sexual Assault- Sexual assault, including rape, occurs when a person is forced or coerced physically, verbally or

by deception into any type of sexual conduct or contact with another person whether the assailant is a friend, acquaintance or stranger. Sexual offenses, as defined in the Ohio Revised Code Chapter 2907 include rape, sexual battery, gross sexual imposition and felonious sexual penetration. **Sexual misconduct is socially irresponsible and violates the rights of other individuals. Nothing you do, say, or wear gives anyone the right to assault you. Sexual assault by anyone is a violation of your body and your trust. Sexual assault is a crime and will be dealt with accordingly.**

Consent- Consent, as defined in our college policies and procedures, shall be defined as the act of knowingly and affirmatively agreeing to engage in a sexual activity. Consent must be voluntary. An individual cannot consent who is substantially impaired by any drug or intoxicant; or who has been compelled by force, threat of force, or deception; or who is unaware that the act is being committed; or whose ability to consent is impaired because of a mental or physical condition; or who is coerced by supervisory or disciplinary authority. Consent may be withdrawn at any time. Prior sexual activity or relationship does not, in and of itself, constitute consent.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS and CAMPAIGNS

The Office of Title IX, Student Support Services, and Campus Security partner up with local community resources to bring prevention and awareness programs to the entire college community on these issues as stated and defined earlier. Speakers, workshops, and awareness campaigns are offered through a mental health and positive steps series, Campus Safety Awareness, and a REACH OUT campaign. In addition, community partner Compass presented sexual assault aware prevention and domestic violence prevention campaigns to the campus on three separate on-campus events. Employees are required to complete online Title IX training once a year. All students are encouraged to complete online Title IX training once a year. All SSC Club Advisors and SSC Club Officers are required to complete the online Title IX training and a training session including bystander intervention training and scenarios presented by the Title IX Coordinator. In addition, new Ohio Hazing laws have required training for students and faculty/staff on the topic of Hazing.

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND PROCEDURES

There is no absolute way to protect yourself against sexual assault, but there are simple common-sense precautions that can help minimize risk. Be aware of your surroundings and don't let alcohol or other drugs cloud your judgment. Be assertive and always demonstrate that you are in control. There is safety in numbers; walk with a companion or with a group at night and consider your intervention options should you witness someone who may be the victim of a sexual assault or sexual harassment (call for help, intervene if possible to do so safely, let your presence be known and consider intervention tactics to help the victim).

WHAT TO DO IF YOU ARE A VICTIM

Victims of rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking are encouraged to contact the Campus Title IX Coordinator (Rm S104), Campus Security and/or the local police. All college employees are mandated reporters and when a victim requests assistance they will be referred to the Title IX Office, Student Support Counselor, or Campus Security. In order to maintain a victim centered approach, once reported each office will work together to support the victim and complete a thorough investigation.

WHEN A SEXUAL ASSAULT IS REPORTED WITH STARK STATE

A joint investigation will begin immediately. The police agency having jurisdiction, Stark State Campus Security, and the Title IX Coordinator will cooperate in the investigation. If the investigation shows probable cause that a sexual assault occurred, and if the victim desires, a meeting will be held with the local Prosecutor's Office to decide if charges can be filed. If the decision is made that charges are appropriate, it is up to the victim to decide to go forward.

When a victim of assault files charges against a Stark State student and an arrest is made, Ohio Revised Code Section 3345.22 is exercised. This requires the College to hold a hearing within five days to determine whether the student shall be allowed to stay in school or be immediately suspended. Both the accused and the accuser are entitled to have others present during the proceedings. The scope of college disciplinary actions are: (a) informal oral reprimand, (b) formal written reprimand, (c) administrative probation, (d) a definite period of suspension, (e) an indefinite period of suspension and (f) expulsion.

Upon request, Stark State College will disclose the results of any disciplinary proceedings involving a violent crime or non-forcible sex offense through written notification to the victim or the next of kin, if the victim is deceased. All disciplinary proceedings will be closed to protect the confidentiality of the victim. Further information on disciplinary proceedings as well as guidelines for appealing the results of a hearing are outlined in the *Student Handbook*.

POST-ASSAULT RIGHTS

You have the right to (1) medical treatment, (2) counseling, (3) to prosecute the accused with probable cause, and (4) the right to report sexual assault through the Title IX Office, Campus Security Department, law enforcement, and other reporting sources. You also have the right to refuse the above without reproach from Stark State College and/or its members. The victim of a sexual assault may request a change in their academic situation which will be honored if reasonably available.

LEGAL REQUIREMENT

The Ohio Revised Code requires the reporting to local police of all felony crimes, which includes most cases of sexual assault, to be reported to local police.

POST-ASSAULT PROCEDURES

Until consultation with the police, the listed procedures are recommended following an assault in order to preserve evidence that may be collected.

- Do not change clothing.
- Do not shower, bathe, douche or brush your teeth.
- Do not apply medication to injuries unless absolutely necessary.
- Do not disturb anything in the area where the assault occurred, if possible.

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POST-ASSAULT ASSISTANCE

ON CAMPUS ASSISTANCE		
Provider	Location	Phone Number
Campus Security	Security Desk	330-704-2582
Title IX Coordinator	Rm S104	330-494-6170 Ext. 4512
Student Support Counselor	Rm B230	330-494-6170 Ext. 4219
Interfaith Office	Rm B230	330-494-6170 Ext. 4264
OFF CAMPUS ASSISTANCE		
Stark County Sheriff Department	(330) 430-3800 or Emergency : 9-1-1	
COMPASS (24 hours)	330-452-1111	
Victim Assistance Program	330-376-0040	

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

(Listed hospitals can provide medical, support, & counseling services)

Provider	Phone Number
Emergency situation	Dial 911
Aultman Hospital	330-452-9911
Cleveland Clinic - Mercy Hospital	330-489-1000

Supportive Measures

Stark State College will assist a student or employee with a request for a change in their academic situation or work environment following an alleged report of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking incident. The Student Support Counselor, Human Resources Director, and/or the Campus Security Office will assist with these changes if they are reasonably available or they will refer the student or employee to an outside agency for assistance. On campus assistance for students may include but not limited to, assistance with a change of class, working with instructors on “make up” assignments or tests, tutoring, safety planning, or campus escorts. On campus assistance for employees may include but not limited to, work space reassignment, contact information for the Employee Assistance Program, safety planning, or campus escorts. To request a student academic change please contact the Student Support Counselor at 330.494.6170 ext. 4219. To request a work situation, change please contact the Office of Human Resources at 330.494.6170 ext. 4276. Both students and employees may reach out to the Campus Security Office for assistance at any time by dialing 330.704.2582.

Disciplinary Proceedings/Standard of Evidence

Stark State College is committed to providing a fair and impartial process for an institutional disciplinary proceeding of reported domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking. The standard of evidence used during an institutional disciplinary process will be clear and convincing. The clear and convincing standard of the evidence means that the evidence presented must be highly and substantially more probable to be true than not that the offense occurred. The proceedings will be conducted by officials who receive annual training related to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including training that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability.

Procedures for Campus Disciplinary Action

Stark State College will handle all disciplinary matters including those involving reports of domestic violence,

dating violence, sexual assault and stalking according to types of disciplinary action language as stated in the student handbook. If a student should be guilty of unbecoming conduct, violating College rules, regulations or policies, academic dishonesty or should neglect academic duties, the College authorities will take such action as the particular offense requires. The scope of college disciplinary actions is (a) oral reprimand, (b) formal written reprimand, (c) administrative probation, (d) a definite period of suspension, (e) expulsion, (f) educational workshop, (g) counseling referral and (h) community service. Monetary fines also may be levied on students to cover the cost of labor, materials and time to repair damaged items. In addition, disciplinary penalties for academic dishonesty may be imposed. The Violence Against Women Act includes provisions for both the accuser and the accused to have another person be present during the disciplinary hearing. Similarly, the accuser and the accused have the right to be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding, in writing. They both have right to appeal the results. Any changes to the proposed disciplinary action must include notification to the parties that were involved before the final disciplinary action takes place. Disciplinary action and reprimand, suspension, or release from employment for employees.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS

For a listing of registered sex offenders in Stark County please refer to the Stark County Sheriff's Web site at www.starkcountyohio.gov/sheriff/resources/sex-offender-links. This Web site provides you with address information in regards to registered sex offenders, classification information of registered sex offenders (Sexually Oriented Offender, Habitual Sex Offender and Sexual Predator), questions about sex offenders, and offender warrants for failure to register. The Campus Security Office may assist with how to obtain sexual offender information. Please stop by Room S104 (Main Campus) for assistance.

HAZING / COLLINS LAW:

Collins Law, Ohio's Anti-Hazing Law was passed into law in Ohio on October 7, 2021. The law requires a bi-annual report of hazing events on or at Ohio College and Universities. The bi-annual report is not part of the Clery Report requirements. The current Hazing Report can be found on the Stark State website by searching "Hazing" or at this link: <https://www.starkstate.edu/about/hazing/>

GENERAL CLERY ACT INFORMATION:

The Clery Act of 1990 mandates that all colleges and universities prepare, publish, and distribute an annual security report. The report must include policy statements on campus security and statistics documenting the frequency of criminal acts and arrests.

Effective September 1, 1992, the reports were required to be prepared and published each year in publications or mailings that are available to students, prospective students, and employees. Copies of the statistical sections of crime reports are submitted to the Secretary of Education annually.

Colleges and universities must document the following criminal acts for the current calendar year and the two preceding years: Murder, Rape or forcible or non-forcible sex offense, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Motor Vehicle theft, Manslaughter, Arson, Hate/Prejudice Crimes and most recently domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Arrests for the following crimes also must be noted: Liquor Law Violations, Drug-related Violations, and Weapons Possession.

The Stark State College Campus Security Department complies with The Clery Act by collecting and reporting crime statistics each year to the Department of Education. Crime statistics are recorded throughout the year based on report information gathered in the Campus Security Office, data requested and gathered from Campus Security Authorities and data requested and gathered from local law enforcement agencies. Crime statistics and other security related information can be found on our Stark State College Website and under the Campus tab on **mystarkstate** under Safety and Security. In addition to the required law violations, we also list any thefts, criminal damages, menacing, harassment, and stalking and disruptive behavior statistics to keep the college community well informed regarding crime on campus.

CRIME STATISTICS FOR THE YEARS 2021, 2022, 2023

STARK STATE COLLEGE – WHIPPLE AUTOMOTIVE SATELLITE – Reported Crime Stats for the Clery Act

At this time, Stark State College has no dormitory facilities.

CATEGORY	VENUE	2022	2023	2024
MURDER	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
MANSLAUGHTER	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES: <i>Forcible (Rape, Fondling, Statutory Rape, Incest)</i>	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
SEX OFFENSES: <i>Non-forcible (Rape, Fondling, Statutory Rape, Incest)</i>	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
ROBBERY	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
BURGLARY	On Campus	1	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
ARSON	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (VAWA)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
DATING VIOLENCE (VAWA)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
STALKING (VAWA)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0



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DRUG, ALCOHOL, WEAPONS VIOLATIONS ARRESTS/REFERRALS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION				
CATEGORY	VENUE	2022	2023	2024
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
DRUG-RELATED VIOLATIONS	On Campus	0	1	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
WEAPONS POSSESSION	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
REPORTABLE HATE CRIMES (Included in Clery Act statistics only if they are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)				
LARCENY (Included in Clery Act statistics only if there are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
INTIMIDATION (Included in Clery Act statistics only if there are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
SIMPLE ASSAULT (Included in Clery Act statistics only if there are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0
DESTRUCTION, DAMAGE, OR VANDALISM OF PROPERTY (Included in Clery Act statistics only if there are hate crimes or associated with hate crimes)	On Campus	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	On public property immediately adjacent to the Campus, not including The Strip	0	0	0

HATE CRIMES NOTATIONS KEY- Type of Bias or Prejudice: Race = ra, Gender = g, Religion = re, Sexual Orientation = s, Ethnicity = e, Disability = d
Each statistic that is motivated by a type of bias or prejudice will have a superscript notation for the type of bias. Numbers in superscripted parenthesis indicate the number out of total number of incidents that were motivated by each type of bias.
NOTE: g-2021-0044, s-2022-0029.

UNFOUNDED CRIMES

There were zero unfounded crimes in 2022, zero unfounded crimes in 2023, and zero unfounded crimes in 2024.

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ADDITIONAL (Non-reportable) CRIME STATS FOR STARK STATE				
CATEGORY	VENUE	2022	2023	2024
CRIMINAL DAMAGING	On Campus	0	0	0
THEFT	On Campus	1	0	0
ASSAULT	On Campus	0	0	0
VERBAL THREAT/ MENACING	On Campus	0	0	0
HARASSMENT	On Campus	0	0	0
INDECENT EXPOSURE	On Campus	0	0	0

STATISTICS RESOURCES

The statistics for both on campus and public property immediately adjacent to the Main Campus were collected and combined from the Stark State Security Department and the Stark County Sheriff's Office.

This report is submitted September 16, 2025.

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