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Brunswick Community College (College) retains its own police department pursuant to North Carolina General Statute GS 115D-21.1 and GS 17C. Officers work closely with local law enforcement departments to ensure a safe and secure campus environment.

The *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act*, 20 USC § 1092(f), (Clery Act) is a federal statute requiring colleges and universities participating in federal financial aid programs to maintain and disclose campus crime statistics and security information. Included in the 2013 amendments to Clery Act was a strengthened *Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act* (VAWA). Title IX was amended to include the *Campus Sexual Violence Elimination (SaVE) Act* to specifically address the issue of women and violence.

The College is committed to complying with the Clery Act and VAWA, and Title IX and SaVE by:

- a) annually updating the U.S. Department of Education and publishing an ***Annual Security Report*** on the status of campus safety and security. The College's *Annual Security Report* documents three (3) calendar years of data concerning crimes in ten major categories, e.g., criminal homicide, sexual assaults, robbery, aggravated assault, domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, burglary, motor vehicle theft, and arson, which occurs on property owned or controlled by the College, and on public property immediately adjacent to the campus and centers. The College also meets the reporting requirements by providing statistics on arrests or referrals for disciplinary action for liquor and drug law violations, illegal weapons possession and categorical hate crimes.

The *Annual Security Report* is **available** online at <http://www.brunswickcc.edu/public-safety/> to employees, students, and the public. It may also be accessed by clicking on the BCC Police Department link under "About" on the BCC Main webpage. The report is also disseminated to students during registration periods each semester.

- b) providing the *Annual Security Report* that includes student and employee reporting and incidents of victimization. The College is responsible for defining institutional disciplinary procedures covering domestic and dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Further, new and ongoing instruction will be provided to students and employees addressing these issues to include awareness, prevention, safe intervention options, warning signs and risk reductions.
- c) maintaining a current (two business days) **public crime log** documenting the "nature, date, time and general location" of each crime and its disposition.
- d) committing to providing a **safe** and **secure** campus environment. Electronic security

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systems and surveillance cameras are installed and maintained at all College facilities. Exterior parking lot lighting and secured building/office doors are important components of this commitment to all individuals. Employees from various departments across campus conduct security surveys to ensure campus lighting is adequate and the landscape is appropriately controlled. We encourage the reporting of problems or concerns to the Police or Maintenance (910.755.7485) departments.

- e) working collaboratively with local law enforcement agencies. Formal **Memoranda of Understandings** have been executed and are on file in the Police Department. We rely on each of the departments to further support safe and secure campus environments.
- f) ensuring **timely warnings** to the campus community that a significant emergency or dangerous situation exists without compromise to victim assistance, emergency response or containment, etc. (*Ref. BCC Policy 8.5*)
- g) providing individuals **methods to report** criminal activity or incidents, voluntarily and confidentially, by phone (911); Emergency Call boxes located throughout campus, non-emergencies 910.755.7330; or anonymously (910.755.7410); by email (tipline@brunswickcc.edu); or in person at the LaDane Williamson Student Center, Office A-135. Students, employees, patrons, visitors, and community members should promptly report incidents, accidents, etc.
- h) providing monitored **access** to College facilities. Access to the College's buildings and grounds is a privilege extended to students, faculty, staff, and authorized guests. The College encourages an open environment with limited constraints to ensure the reasonable protection of the community. Most campus facilities are open during weekday business hours. Individuals who wish to access College buildings or property during non-business hours or for special events should be directed to the Executive Director, Campus Events and Odell Williamson Auditorium sappm@brunswickcc.edu or 910.755.7420.

College employees are permitted on campus after hours, upon approval by the President or appropriate senior-level administrator.

*Approved by Brunswick Community College Board of Trustees
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