



2026 ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT

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Bucks County Community College
275 Swamp Road
Newtown, PA 18940

Introduction

As of the Fall 2026 semester, Bucks County Community College's three campuses offered affordable higher education opportunities for 6,219 students. Approximately 38% of the College's registered students attend full-time. Additionally, there are 403 full-time employees of the College. The main campus, Newtown, PA, extends across 260 acres, including over two dozen buildings. The College also operates the Gene and Marlene Epstein Campus at Lower Bucks, located in Bristol, PA, the Upper Bucks Campus in Perkasi, PA, and the Lower Bucks Public Safety Training Center in Croydon, PA. The Department of Security and Safety has prepared this document to provide information on campus crime rates, campus safety programs, as well as policies and procedures regarding emergencies and other safety-related issues.

The Department of Security and Safety's mission is to maintain a safe campus environment where community members can study, work, and develop intellectually, professionally, and personally. Questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the information contained within this document or any related issue should be directed to the Executive Director of Security and Safety at 215-968-8394.

The Department of Security and Safety has primary responsibility for emergency response and security on campus. Security and Safety's main office is located at the Newtown Campus, 275 Swamp Rd., Cottage 4, Newtown, PA 18940 (215-968-8911). The Department is under the leadership of the Executive Director, who reports to the Chief Operating Officer. The Assistant Director coordinates physical security systems, fire safety, emergency management activities, and parking. The Assistant Director also oversees the department in the Executive Director's absence. Two lieutenants supervise uniformed patrol operations. The Executive Director, Assistant Director, and lieutenants are certified under PA Act 235 and armed while on duty. Three administrative assistants support the Department of Security and Safety. A Technology Coordinator manages technology for the office. The Department may employ work-study students on a part-time basis.



Department of Security and Safety Cottage 4 Newtown Campus

In addition to supervisory personnel, Security and Safety operates 24 hours a day with 14 full-time and eight part-time security officers who proactively patrol the campus, supplement the Department's communications center operations, and provide security services for special events. Officers patrol the campus by foot, vehicle, and bicycle.

Security and Safety officers patrol the Lower and Upper Bucks Campuses when those campuses are in session. Overnight shifts and weekend shifts at the Lower Bucks Campus receive coverage via a contractual arrangement with a private security firm.

In 2024, the Department of Security and Safety was awarded accreditation by the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA), the leading campus safety professional organization. In order to earn accreditation, Security & Safety demonstrated to outside, impartial experts its compliance with national best-practice standards in the profession. Fewer than 100 campus safety agencies have earned such recognition. Security & Safety is one of only five community colleges nationwide to achieve accreditation to date.

IACLEA accreditation signifies an agency's ongoing commitment to excellence and state-of-the-art performance in every aspect of its operations. IACLEA standards guide the recruitment, selection, training, and

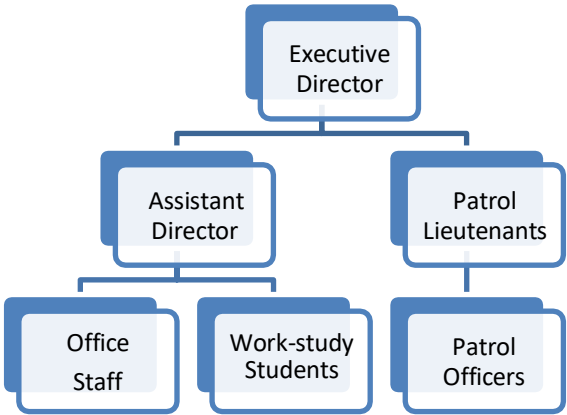
professional development of agency personnel and overall agency operations. Among the many benefits of the accreditation are increased accountability from agency personnel and the agency as a whole and a commitment to continuous improvement to maintain excellent operations.

Achieving accreditation was a multi-year undertaking in which department policies and procedures were completely revised to conform with the campus safety best practices specified by IACLEA's rigorous standards. As the final step in the process, a team of IACLEA assessors conducted a thorough review of the department's policies and procedures followed by a three-day on-site visit in April 2024 during which they inspected Security & Safety's facilities and equipment, observed operations, met with team members, interviewed stakeholders, and invited public comment.

Members of the campus community are encouraged to consider safety a shared responsibility to help ensure the highest degree of security and personal safety. This includes reporting crimes and suspicious activities, using the security escort service, and properly securing personal belongings. The Department of Security and Safety takes a leadership role through preventive patrols, incident investigation, fire prevention, educational programs on campus safety, and crime prevention services. In addition, the Department of Security and Safety is responsible for fire alarm, access control, and video surveillance systems, parking and traffic regulation, securing lost property, and investigation of reported crimes on campus.

Security and Safety officers are certified in CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation) and AED (Automated External Defibrillator) to respond to medical emergencies. Several officers are also certified as Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). All officers and supervisors carry and train in using Narcan, a medication that can reverse the effects of opioid overdoses.

Department of Security and Safety Organizational Structure

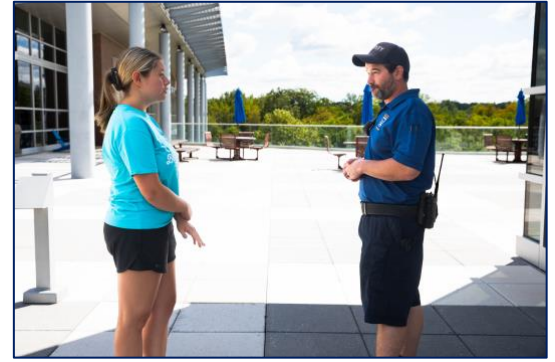


Campus Enforcement Authority

Students and employees are encouraged to report on-campus crime and suspicious activities promptly to the Department of Security & Safety. When incidents occur off-campus, students and employees are encouraged to contact the appropriate local police department. Security & Safety will help facilitate such notifications if requested.

Security & Safety officers, including contracted officers, have no arrest authority beyond that of an ordinary citizen; however, officers stand ready to receive crime reports and will cooperate with local police investigations. College security personnel also perform follow-up investigations when appropriate. To maximize the effectiveness of local police services to the campus community, Security & Safety maintains excellent working relationships with the Newtown

Township Police Department, Bristol Township Police Department, Pennridge Regional Police Department, and Tyler State Park Rangers. To that end, the College has written memoranda of understanding (MOU) with the three police agencies having primary jurisdiction over our campuses. The Vice President of Student Affairs handles disciplinary actions for matters that violate the College's Code of Conduct.



Officer Joseph Lee speaks with a student at the Upper Bucks campus

Campus Community Suggestions and Feedback

The Executive Director of Security & Safety strongly encourages students, faculty, and employees to make suggestions or inquiries on matters related to campus safety. In addition, concerns about the conduct or job performance of Security & Safety personnel should be brought to the attention of the Executive Director by calling 215-968-8394, by email to: Mark.Goldberg@Bucks.edu, or using the feedback form on the Bucks website under Security and Safety at bucks.edu/resources/security.

Emergency Notifications and Timely Warnings

The College takes its duty to inform students of potentially threatening situations very seriously. To opt-in for Omnilert emergency text and email messaging, students, faculty, staff, parents, and other interested parties can do so by going to bucks.edu/alerts and following the steps listed.

In the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of those on campus, communications will be under the direction of the College President or designated Emergency Director. The College employs a variety of means for rapid notification of the campus community during an emergency, including text messages, email, social media, desktop computer pop-ups, and announcement banners on the College's home page.

In such an emergency, the College will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification unless the notification will, in the judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist victims or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

When a significant emergency is reported, Security & Safety personnel will mount an immediate effort to confirm the report. If the risk to the campus is substantial, 911 will immediately be contacted and advised of the information, even while security officers attempt to confirm.

When confirmation of an emergency has been made by the Department of Security and Safety or by a public safety agency, the President or their designee will declare a campus-wide emergency. The appropriate emergency notification system(s) will be activated.

In general, notifications are issued on a college-wide basis due to the relative proximity of the campuses to one another and the fact that some students and employees regularly travel from campus to campus. Emergency Notifications will advise the campus community of the emergency, its specific location, and other pertinent details such as best evacuation routes.

The following college employees are responsible for oversight of the emergency notification process: Executive Director of Security & Safety, Assistant Director of Security & Safety, Chief Operating Officer, and the Vice President of Marketing and Communications. Security & Safety will provide periodic updates on the event via the emergency notification channels.

External communications during an emergency will be under the direction of the President or the designated Emergency Director. An official spokesperson will be designated, along with an alternate. The Marketing and Communications Department will handle all public and media contacts. Follow-up information will be distributed using some or all identified communication systems.

The Clery Act also requires the College to provide Timely Warnings under certain circumstances. When an Emergency Notification has already been broadcast due to an immediate threat to health or safety, a Timely Warning is not required.



Students are strongly encouraged to sign up for emergency alerts

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES | **BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

CALL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY | **CALL x8911 NON-EMERGENCY** Campus Security & Safety x8911 or 215.968.8911

ACTIVE SHOOTER OR ASSAULT

RUN If you have a clear path.

HIDE Do whatever you can to make the room seem empty. Silence your phone.

FIGHT As a last resort if your life is in danger.

DISRUPTIVE INDIVIDUALS/ VIOLENT INCIDENT

If the individual is an imminent danger or threat:

- Call 911 immediately.
- Contact Security as soon as possible.
- Maintain as much physical distance from the individual as possible.
- Try to de-escalate the situation verbally until help arrives, only if this can be done safely.

SEVERE WEATHER

- Go to the lowest floor in the building.
- Close the doors.
- Stay away from windows and glass.
- Get on the floor and cover your head.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

CALL 911

- Do not move the person unless they are in immediate danger.
- Do not provide aid beyond basic first aid, unless trained.
- If the person is unconscious, check pulse and breathing and perform CPR if necessary.

CONTACT SECURITY & SAFETY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/ CHEMICAL SPILL

- If the spill is life or health-threatening or you are unsure, evacuate the area immediately.
- If necessary, pull the fire alarm and evacuate the building.
- For major spills, call 911 immediately.
- All chemical spills, no matter how small, should be reported to Security.

FIRE/EXPLOSION

R **escue** yourself, followed by others if it is safe to do.

A **lert** others by activating the fire alarm and call 911.

C **lose** the door on the way out.

E **vacuate**. Do not delay your evacuation to retrieve any materials, personal possessions.

SCAN THE QR CODE for a full list of emergency procedures, or visit bucks.edu/security.

The Department of Security & Safety emergency procedure poster, posted in classrooms and common spaces.



Officer Brandy Strickland and Lieutenant Jason Brain received Certificates of Appreciation from Bucks

Timely Warnings typically result from reports of serious and/or violent crimes. Timely Warnings may also be posted for other crime classifications as deemed necessary for the safety of the campus community.

The Executive Director of Security and Safety (or designee) determines whether to issue a Timely Warning in consultation with the President and/or the Chief Operating Officer.

Timely Warnings are distributed to students and employees via the Omnilert system. The Executive Director of Security and Safety (or designee) may supplement these notices with other methods on a case-by-case basis. Because community awareness is essential to effective crime reduction, the College will release information that College community members can use to reduce their chances of becoming crime victims. Names of victims and witnesses are always withheld from Timely Warning messages.

The Department of Security and Safety may also issue safety alerts to campus community members, informing them of incidents or crimes impacting the campus community and/or surrounding areas. This information is disseminated to the campus community via several channels, including email, text messages, website postings, social media, on-campus computer screens, informational flyers, and during crime prevention presentations.

Reporting of Criminal Actions and Emergencies

Community members, students, faculty, staff, and guests are encouraged to accurately and promptly report all crimes, emergencies, and safety-related incidents to the Department of Security and Safety.

Criminal activity should be reported to the Department of Security and Safety for investigation. All such reports will be assessed and, if appropriate, timely warning notices will be issued to the campus community. Reported crimes will be disclosed in the Annual Security Report in conformance with Department of Education requirements. Security and Safety will assist individuals who wish to file a crime report with local law enforcement agencies.

Reports can be made by calling the Department of Security and Safety by dialing 215-968-8911 or via extension 8911 from phones located on campus. Students and employees are encouraged to add this number to the contacts on their mobile devices for quick retrieval in an emergency.

Well-marked, blue-light emergency call boxes are also located on all campuses. The Newtown campus has seventeen (17) call boxes. Three (3) additional call boxes are located at the Lower Bucks Campus, and four (4) at the Upper Bucks Campus. In addition to reporting emergencies and suspicious activity, call box users can request directions, an escort, evening shuttle pickup (Newtown only), or parking lot assistance.

Reports may also be made in person by visiting Cottage 4 or approaching any BCCC security officer. Crimes or suspicious occurrences may be reported anonymously at bucks.edu/tips or directly to Security & Safety via the Omnilert app, available as a free download for iOS and Android devices.



Emergency call boxes are strategically located at each campus.

All phone lines routed to Security and Safety are answered 24 hours a day by trained Security personnel. If needed, Security and Safety personnel will notify Bucks County emergency dispatchers regarding emergencies occurring on campus via the County's 911 system. A radio link with the Bucks County Communications Center allows the Department of Security & Safety to communicate directly with responding police, fire, and EMS personnel in an emergency.

To obtain information, request an escort, or inquire about any other security-related service, students should call 215-968-8394 or extension 8394 from campus phones or use the blue-light call boxes located at each campus.

Security personnel routinely inspect all call boxes to ensure they remain fully operational. In addition, a comprehensive network of surveillance cameras deployed across all three campuses helps maintain a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and visitors.

The Department of Security & Safety works closely with the Department of Student Engagement and the Facilities Services Department to help maintain a safe and secure environment that supports higher education. The department also collaborates with local emergency service agencies, including the Newtown Township Police Department, Bristol Township Police Department, Pennridge Regional Police Department, Tyler State Park Rangers, local fire departments, and ambulance corps. These partnerships provide additional resources and support to enhance campus safety and assist in emergency response efforts when needed.

Emergency Response and Evacuation Procedures



Lieutenant Jason Braim conducting Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) at the Newtown Campus

Security & Safety coordinates tests of the College's emergency notification/evacuation systems at least once per semester. Tests include some or all of the following: text messages, email, social media, desktop, and large-screen alert systems, fire alarm systems, and the College's home page.

In addition to numerous activations throughout the year for weather events and other emergencies, the alert system is tested during Fall and Spring semesters. Tests are typically unannounced, and follow-up with the campus community is conducted afterward. Tests will provide a link to additional emergency resources located on the Security & Safety website at: bucks.edu/security

The College will follow the steps outlined in its Emergency Plan if evacuation is required. Students and employees will

be directed via emergency campus alerts to seek shelter or, if necessary, evacuate and avoid specified hazardous areas on campus. Security personnel, assisted by local police, will direct the evacuation process and traffic flow exiting campus.

To prepare for potential emergencies, Security & Safety regularly works with local police agencies to ensure that police responders are familiar with our campuses. The College also participates in emergency drills with local public safety and public health authorities.

Alcohol Policy

The College actively discourages the irresponsible use of alcohol. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of alcohol, narcotics or illicit drugs is prohibited on all campuses of the college. The College will establish reasonable procedures to ensure students know their legal obligations. Inappropriate behavior involving furnishing or consuming alcoholic beverages will result in disciplinary proceedings, penalties, and possibly prosecution.

The College recognizes and cooperates with law enforcement authorities in their enforcement efforts relating to the illegal consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages. It will seek to educate students about laws on the use, consumption, possession, and abuse of alcoholic beverages (see [Appendix D](#) for additional information on penalties).

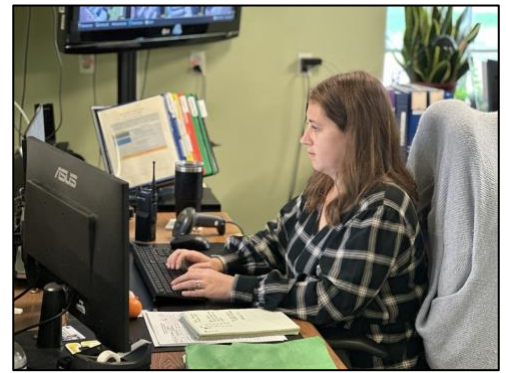
Controlled Substance Policy

Illegal possession, manufacture, distribution, or use of drugs or narcotics by students constitutes unacceptable conduct. Students involved in such activities are subject to disciplinary measures by the College. Moreover, under Pennsylvania law, those who possess a small amount of marijuana (30 grams or less) are guilty of a misdemeanor. Selling marijuana and illegally possessing or distributing any other type of drug is a felony which carries more severe penalties (see Appendices B and C for additional information on federal and state penalties). The Department of Security and Safety will report drug law violations to local police.

It is the policy of Bucks County Community College to maintain a drug-free workplace. Illegal possession, use, manufacture, or distribution of drugs or narcotics by employees constitutes unacceptable conduct. It makes such employees subject to the College's disciplinary procedures, up to and including termination.

This summary aims to provide students and employees of the College with general information on applicable laws. Although every effort has been made to provide accurate information at the time of printing, this information can be superseded by statutory updates. Those with specific legal questions are encouraged to consult with an attorney.

All Security & Safety officers carry and are trained in the use of Narcan. This medication can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. In 2024, Bucks County Community College partnered with Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission to have Opioid Overdose Kits installed at all of the campuses. The Narcan supplied in those kits can be used for emergencies on campus or be taken by individuals to be used at home for themselves or those they know that have an opioid addiction.



Dispatcher Brittany Drabik documenting a call for service in the Security and Safety Office in Cottage 4



Opioid Emergency Overdose Kits are strategically located at all campuses

The College's Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program includes information on criminal law penalties for drug violations. This information is included in [Appendix E](#) and may also be viewed at: bucks.edu/drug-alcohol-sheet.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Support Services and Education Programs

Bucks County Community College's Counseling Services department employs a staff of licensed counselors available to students in crisis and for ongoing counseling, assessment, and referral. All counseling services are strictly confidential.

Students may refer themselves or be referred by staff, following alcohol or drug-related incidents. Students may also be referred by concerned faculty or administrators. Counseling staff assists the student by recommending off-campus assessment/treatment providers from which the student may choose.

A comprehensive list of substance abuse prevention programs presented by the College during academic years 2023-2025 may be found in [Appendix E](#).

Sexual Assault Prevention Programming

Various programs offered by the College address sexual assault prevention and awareness. For example, the Department of Security & Safety has a staff member certified as Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) system instructor. Security & Safety, in partnership with the Student Government Association, offers this valuable training, free of charge, to the women of the campus community.

In addition, the College provides programs to new students through various channels during the academic year. A listing of such programs for 2025-2026 is provided in [Appendix F](#).

All new employees of the College must complete Title IX training after being hired and must be recertified periodically.

Sexual Assault, Domestic or Dating Violence, Stalking & Gender-Based Misconduct

Bucks County Community College will act swiftly to protect the rights of all students and employees. Women or men who have been victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking as defined by the Clery Act are protected by the policy commitment of Bucks County Community College to comply with applicable federal and state laws prohibiting sex or gender discrimination, unlawful retaliation, and sexual harassment. Furthermore, it is the policy of the College to prohibit conduct that constitutes sexually related crimes. The College expressly prohibits gender-based prohibited behavior as defined in this policy, which applies to all students, employees, faculty members, administrators, and trustees of the College, as well as contractors and vendors who may be performing work on behalf of the College.

The College will take immediate and appropriate action once it becomes aware of any act of gender-based prohibited conduct in any of its educational programs or activities. The College will act on any gender-based prohibited conduct complaint to investigate and resolve such complaints promptly and effectively. While the

College does not limit the time frame for filing a complaint, it encourages complaints to be filed in as timely a manner as possible since the College's ability to investigate may be limited in cases in which a significant length of time has elapsed between an incident and the filing of a complaint. When reviewing a complaint, the standard of review utilized by the College shall be that of a preponderance of the evidence (i.e., whether the conduct complained of is more likely than not to have occurred).

During an investigation, the parties may be permitted to present witnesses and other evidence. The College's investigation will continue whether or not another agency or law enforcement is investigating the complaint, unless the College's investigation would impede such an investigation. If the College's investigation is delayed to allow a law enforcement investigation to proceed, the College will implement interim steps to ensure the victim's safety.

In cases involving allegations of sexual harassment or sexual violence between students, a judicial hearing consistent with the Student Code of Conduct will be conducted following the conclusion of any investigation into the matter. Such proceedings will be held promptly, utilizing a fair and impartial process from the initial inquiry to the final result. During the hearing process, both accuser and accused will have the same opportunities to be accompanied by an advisor of their choice. However, the College may limit the advisor's role during the proceedings. The College may remove or dismiss advisors who become disruptive or who do not abide by the restrictions on their participation.

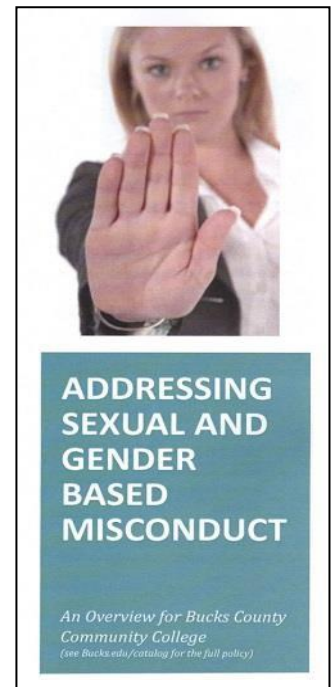
College employees who are involved in investigating or adjudicating complaints of sexual assault and gender-based misconduct have been trained and certified for such proceedings.

When it has been determined that a violation of policy occurred, the College will act promptly to eliminate the inappropriate conduct and prevent its recurrence. Additionally, the College will take appropriate action, which may include but is not limited to, a change in class or work schedules or assignments, mandatory training or suspension, imposing restrictions on contact between parties, providing safe on-campus transportation and/or a security escort to and from classes, leaves of absence, and increased monitoring of certain areas of the campus. Disciplinary measures may include reprimand, loss of privilege, suspension, expulsion, and/or immediate termination of employment.

Upon completion of the investigation, the individual who made the complaint and the individual against whom the complaint was made will be simultaneously advised of the results of the investigation in writing. Where a remedy is determined to be appropriate, both parties will be informed of the steps that will be taken to remedy the situation. Both parties will also be advised of the procedure to appeal the result of the institutional disciplinary proceeding and, subsequently, any change to the original result and the date upon which such results become final.

Following a report of sexual assault, sexual harassment, or other sexual misconduct, the College will provide interim support and reasonable protection against further acts of misconduct, harassment, or retaliation as needed, as well as provide services and resources to provide a safe educational and employment environment. The College will determine the necessity and scope of any interim measures pending the completion of the complaint process.

Depending on the facts and circumstances of the specific complaint, the College's Title IX Coordinator or designee will immediately contact appropriate agencies and organizations to effect immediate relief, care, and support for the complainant and/or the victim in any given case, including but not limited to:



1. The closest, competent healthcare facility
2. The relevant Police Department and the Department of Security and Safety
3. Bucks County Community College Counseling Services
4. The Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

As an immediate priority, care will be taken to ensure the safety and well-being of the complainant and/or victim and to exercise all precautionary measures to prevent a repeat of the alleged incident of gender-based prohibited conduct. Accordingly, interim measures, such as a temporary suspension or leave of absence for the suspect, may be implemented by the College, pending a hearing on the matter.

In cases of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, regardless of where the incident occurred, assistance is available 24 hours a day by calling Security and Safety at 215-968-8911 or local police by dialing 911.

Following such a report, the Title IX Coordinator or designee will inform the complaining victim of the right to file a criminal complaint with applicable law enforcement authorities. The Coordinator (or designee) shall make known and available to the complaining victim information related to available support services and medical and counseling resources as applicable.

A complainant wishing to pursue a criminal complaint is encouraged to report to local law enforcement. The Department of Security and Safety will help facilitate this contact if requested. Law enforcement will then conduct a criminal investigation that typically involves gathering evidence and interviewing the victim, potential witnesses, and suspects. Police and the Bucks County District Attorney's Office will, based on the results of the investigation, determine whether the case should be referred for prosecution. Absent compelling circumstances, the College will typically not file a police report without the victim's consent.

The Department of Security and Safety encourages all victims to seek assistance from a medical provider and law enforcement as soon as possible after an incident of sexual misconduct. This option can provide physical safety and emotional support to the victim. If necessary, it is the best option to ensure medical care and may assist in an investigation by preserving potential evidence.

Security and Safety will offer to escort any student or employee to a safe place, arrange for transportation to the hospital, assist in coordination with law enforcement, and provide written information about the College's Gender-Based Misconduct policy as well as their rights and options whether the alleged misconduct occurred on college property or not.

Retaliation against any individual for making a complaint of a violation or alleged violation of this policy will not be tolerated. Any acts of retaliation will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action, such as but not limited to reprimand, change in work assignment, loss of privilege, mandatory training or suspension/expulsion, and/or immediate termination.

Safe and positive options for bystander intervention are presented to students during campus sexual health conferences. Additional material is provided during a required class for new students and during orientation. Information on bystander intervention is also available on the Bucks County Community College website at: bucks.edu/bystander.

Training for new students includes information on risk reduction strategies to reduce the likelihood of sexual assault and overcome bystander inaction. Information about risk reduction is never presented in a manner that encourages victim blaming. The College's Bystander Intervention strategies are listed in [Appendix J](#).

Rights of Victims

Based on their needs, victims may seek a Protection From Abuse order (PFA), a Sexual Violence Protection Order (SVPO), or a Protection from Intimidation Order from the Bucks County Court of Common Pleas or another court with jurisdiction. Petitions for such court orders must be filed with the Bucks County Prothonotary's Family Court Office, 100 North Main Street, Doylestown, PA (215-348-6822) buckscounty.gov/597/Protection-From-Abuse.

Victims do not need a lawyer to seek a protective order. The petition to the court can be filed *Pro Se* (which means for yourself). Free assistance with the required forms is available from A Woman's Place-Legal Advocacy Program 215-348-0445 or Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania 215-340-1818. The Doylestown Legal Aid office is located at 224 N. Main St., Doylestown, PA 18901. An attorney will represent victims in court free of charge through a cooperative effort of the Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania and the Bucks County Bar Association. Victims may also contact A Woman's Place at 1-800-220-8116 if they need shelter, want to arrange for someone to accompany them to the court hearing, or want legal guidance and information.

When a court issues a protective order, a copy of the order should be filed with Security & Safety and the local police department(s) with jurisdiction over places frequented by the victim such as home, school, and work. While Bucks County Community College does not have the authority to issue protective orders with the force of law, suspects in sexual assault investigations may be removed from campus through temporary suspensions or leaves of absence pending a hearing.

Preserving the victim's privacy and confidentiality in such cases is paramount. While all crimes, including those alleging gender-based misconduct, must be reported by the College in the Annual Security Report and Daily Crime Log, no personally identifying information is ever included.

In addition, the College will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided to the victim to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the College to provide those accommodations or protective measures. In some cases, the College may need to disclose some information about a victim to a trusted third party to provide necessary accommodations or protective measures promptly. The Executive Director of Security & Safety will determine which information may be disclosed and to whom. This decision will typically involve consultation with other college officials such as the Title IX Coordinator, Executive Director of Human Resources, or Solicitor. To minimize the risk to the victim's confidentiality, careful consideration will be given to who may have access to this information. Victims will be informed of such disclosures, including which information will be shared, with whom it will be shared, and why.

The College will provide written notification to students and employees about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available for victims, both within the institution and in the larger community. As of the Fall, 2026 semester, these include services within the College such as Counseling Services (215-968-8189), Accessibility Office (215-968-8182), and Employee Assistance Program (HealthAdvocate.com). External resources include A Woman's Place (24-hour hotline - 800-220-8116 or awomansplace.org), Network of Victim Assistance (24-hour hotline - 800-675-6900 or NovaBucks.org), Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania (215-340-1818),

A Woman's Place-Legal Advocacy Program (215-348-0445), and National Immigrant Justice Center (ImmigrantJustice.org).

The College must comply with a student's reasonable request for an academic situation change following an alleged sex offense. The College will provide written notification to students about how to request changes to

academic, transportation, and working situations or protective measures. Such accommodations or protective measures will be provided if the victim requests them and if they are reasonably available, regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to the Department of Security and Safety or local law enforcement. The College is committed to the idea that protective measures should minimize the burden on the victim. The Title IX Coordinator will make decisions regarding accommodations for victims in consultation with other college officials.

Information regarding the process of student disciplinary proceedings may be found at bucks.edu/conduct. Generally, in consultation with other college officials, the Title IX Coordinator will decide which type of proceeding will be used in cases involving a student perpetrator. Employee disciplinary proceedings are coordinated through the Department of Human Resources and reflect provisions of various collective bargaining agreements. Employees are subject to the College's Gender-Based Misconduct policy with penalties up to and including suspension and termination of employment.

Dr. Jill Blanco, Chief Human Resources Officer, serves as Title IX Coordinator and may be reached at (215) 504-8649 or by email at title9@bucks.edu.

Sex Offender Registry and Access to Related Information

The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires higher education institutions to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement agency information provided by a state concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to register in a state to provide notice, as required under law, of each institution of higher education in that state at which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student.

In the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, information regarding registered sex offenders subject to community notification may be obtained from a community member's local municipal police agency or the Pennsylvania State Police. In Newtown, Bristol, and Perkasio, where our three campuses are located, information regarding registered sex offenders who are subject to community notification may be obtained at the respective local police departments, at any Pennsylvania State Police barracks, or online at meganslaw.psp.pa.gov.

Access to Campus Facilities

Most campus buildings and facilities are accessible to campus community members, guests, and visitors during regular business hours. Faculty and staff who require access during non-duty hours should notify Security & Safety. Department heads should submit authorized entry lists to Security and Safety for personnel assigned to their respective departments with special access needs. Security Officers regularly patrol academic and administrative buildings.

The College has no student residential facilities, and no officially recognized student organizations maintain off-campus buildings.



*Officers Eddie Velez, Terence McNeil, and Tori Silva
at the Newtown Campus*

Maintenance and Security of Campus Facilities

Bucks County Community College maintains a strong commitment to campus safety and security, including proper oversight of facility issues that may impact the campus community's safety.

Exterior lighting, for example, is an essential environmental component of an effective crime prevention program. Visual inspections and surveys of exterior and interior campus lighting are regularly conducted by security officers. Lighting problems are documented and reported to the Physical Plant department for repair.

Security officers also inspect doors on campus to ensure that locks are working correctly. Exterior doors on all academic and administrative buildings on campus are locked and secured every evening.

Security & Safety officers actively patrol parking lots and other public areas. Such patrols increase visibility and act as a deterrent to potential criminal activity. Security personnel conduct detailed facility safety audits upon request from the respective departments. These audits and inspections include all college-owned buildings, facilities, storage areas, and other areas owned or controlled by the College. Any observed discrepancies are reported to the appropriate campus departments for follow-up and correction.

Security Awareness and Crime Prevention Programs

The Department of Security and Safety strives to prevent crimes from occurring instead of merely reacting to reports of crimes that have already happened. The design of the Department's crime prevention program focuses on minimizing criminal opportunities on campus and creating an atmosphere in which students and employees become more aware of their security and the security of others.

Crime prevention programs offered by Security & Safety include a campus escort service, an on-demand video that teaches students and employees how to respond in an active shooter situation, printed crime prevention materials, R.A.D. sexual assault prevention training (offered each semester for female students and staff); poster campaigns on crime prevention topics; security & facility surveys; and social media messaging. Social media is also used to promote the College's emergency alert system.

In addition, the Executive Director and Assistant Director conduct annual liaison meetings with representatives of the Student Government Association. The Department of Security & Safety also enhances campus safety by participating in professional organizations such as the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators, Northeast Colleges and Universities Security Association, Police Chief's Association of Bucks County, Philadelphia Electronic Crimes Task Force, and the National Safety Council.

The Department of Security and Safety's approach to crime prevention mirrors the community policing philosophy to engage with students, faculty, and employees in a joint effort to ensure that Bucks County Community College is a safe place to learn and grow.

Missing/Runaway Person(s)

While Bucks County Community College does not maintain student residential facilities, missing person reports are still considered priority investigations. When Security and Safety receive notification that a person is missing from campus, immediate efforts are made to locate the individual, including a thorough campus search. Specific response steps and notifications vary according to whether the individual is a student, non-student, adult,

juvenile, or has particular circumstances which indicate they may be at elevated risk. A Security and Safety Supervisor, who will assume responsibility for the search efforts, is notified in all cases. The Executive Director will determine whether the circumstances require an alert to the campus community.

Based upon information gathered during the initial response, the Department of Security and Safety may request police to respond. Concurrently, certain college leadership officials will be notified.

The following criteria may trigger immediate notification to the police:

1. The person reported missing has a physical or mental disability, thereby subjecting themselves or others to personal or immediate danger.
2. The person reported missing is/was in the company of another person under circumstances indicating their physical safety is in danger.
3. The person reported missing is missing under circumstances indicating the disappearance was not voluntary.
4. The person is less than 18 years of age.

"Suzanne's Law," requiring local police to notify the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) when someone between 18 and 21 is reported missing, was signed into law in 2003 as part of the national "Amber Alert" Bill. The federal law is named after Suzanne Lyall, a State University of New York at Albany student who has been missing since 1998. Previously, police were only required to report missing persons under 18. This new law is intended to encourage police to investigate immediately when college-age people disappear instead of waiting 24 hours. Upon closure of the missing person investigation, all parties previously contacted will be advised of the case status.

Campus Crime and Preparation of the Annual Security Report

Bucks County Community College is committed to accurately reporting crimes on campus. The statistics are compiled from information contained within official Department of Security and Safety incident reports, Student Affairs, applicable police reports, and information received from officials of the College with significant responsibility for student activities. To this end, the College has trained its employees designated as Campus Security Authorities (CSA) under the Clery Act regarding their duty to report all crimes to the Department of Security and Safety for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

Beginning in 2014, available data for Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking have been included, as mandated by the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013. The College will, upon written request, disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as that term is defined in section 16 of title 18, United States Code) or non-forcible sex offense the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the College against the alleged perpetrator(s). In the case of an alleged victim who is deceased due to such a crime, the next of kin shall be treated as the alleged victim for this purpose.

For additional information, contact:

1. Executive Director of Security and Safety: 215-968-8394
2. Chief Operating Officer (COO): 215-504-8644
3. Interim Vice President, Academic Affairs: 215-968-8225
4. Vice President, Student Affairs: 215-968-8213

Bucks County Community College Crime Statistics 2023-2025

Newtown Campus

REPORTED CRIMES	ON CAMPUS			NONCAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Rape	1 ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals ***	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses ++	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hate Crimes – Newtown ***

2023: One incident of intimidation characterized by ethnicity bias (online)

2024: One incident of vandalism characterized by ethnicity bias

2025: No hate crimes reported

¹ Instance of rape occurred in 2014 and was reported in 2023. Police were notified and investigated.

* There were no unfounded crimes in 2023, 2024, or 2025

** REFERRALS FOR CAMPUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

In addition to arrests, the Clery Act requires the disclosure of persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations, and weapons possession. Because of the seriousness with which Bucks County Community College treats such offenses, students considered to violate liquor or drug laws or applicable college policies are referred to the Student Life Office for disciplinary action, ranging from a written warning to expulsion.

*** Number of reported crimes listed above or other crimes involving bodily injury to any person that manifested evidence that the victim(s) were intentionally selected because of their actual or perceived race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, or disability.
 ++ Statistics presented in compliance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.

Upper Bucks Campus – Perkasio

REPORTED CRIMES	ON CAMPUS			NONCAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Statutory Rape	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals ***	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses ++	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hate Crimes – Upper Bucks ***

2023: No hate crimes reported

2024: No hate crimes reported

2025: No hate crimes reported

* There were no unfounded crimes in 2023, 2024, or 2025

** REFERRALS FOR CAMPUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

In addition to arrests, the Clery Act requires the disclosure of persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations, and weapons possession. Because of the seriousness with which Bucks County Community College treats such offenses, students considered to violate liquor or drug laws or applicable college policies are referred to the Student Life Office for disciplinary action, ranging from a written warning to expulsion.

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 ++ Statistics presented in compliance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.

Epstein Campus at Lower Bucks - Bristol

REPORTED CRIMES	ON CAMPUS			NONCAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Fondling	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals **	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses ++	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hate Crimes – Lower Bucks ***

2023: No hate crimes reported

2024: No hate crimes reported

2025: No hate crimes reported

* There were no unfounded crimes in 2023, 2024, or 2025

** REFERRALS FOR CAMPUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

In addition to arrests, the Clery Act requires the disclosure of persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations, and weapons possession. Because of the seriousness with which Bucks County Community College treats such offenses, students considered to violate liquor or drug laws or applicable college policies are referred to the Student Life Office for disciplinary action, ranging from a written warning to expulsion.

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Lower Bucks Public Safety Training Center - Croydon

REPORTED CRIMES	ON CAMPUS			NONCAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals ***	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses ++	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hate Crimes – LBPSTC ***

2023: No hate crimes reported

2024: No hate crimes reported

2025: No hate crimes reported

* There were no unfounded crimes in 2023, 2024, or 2025

** REFERRALS FOR CAMPUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

In addition to arrests, the Clery Act requires the disclosure of persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations, and weapons possession. Because of the seriousness with which Bucks County Community College treats such offenses, students considered to violate liquor or drug laws or applicable college policies are referred to the Student Life Office for disciplinary action, ranging from a written warning to expulsion.

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++ Statistics presented in compliance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.

Bucks County Public Safety Training Center - Doylestown

REPORTED CRIMES	ON CAMPUS			NONCAMPUS			PUBLIC PROPERTY		
Crime Category	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses - Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrests	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals ***	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Liquor Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Laws	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VAWA Offenses ++	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025	2023	2024	2025
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hate Crimes – BCPSTC ***

2023: No hate crimes reported

2024: No hate crimes reported

2025: No hate crimes reported

* There were no unfounded crimes in 2023, 2024, or 2025

** REFERRALS FOR CAMPUS DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

In addition to arrests, the Clery Act requires the disclosure of persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations, and weapons possession. Because of the seriousness with which Bucks County Community College treats such offenses, students considered to violate liquor or drug laws or applicable college policies are referred to the Student Life Office for disciplinary action, ranging from a written warning to expulsion.

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++ Statistics presented in compliance with the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act.

Crime Statistics recorded in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy & Campus Crime Statistics Act, Section 485 (f) (20 USC 1092 (f) as amended 1998 and the State Board of Education, College, and University Security Information Act (Act 73 of 1988). The Annual Security Report is prepared per 20 USC 1092 (f) (7), Section 485 (f), Campus Security Policy and Campus crime statistics as amended, and Pennsylvania Law 448, No. 73 as amended.

Uniform Crime Report

The Pennsylvania College and University Security Information Act mandates the release of crime statistics and rates to matriculated students and employees. The listed index rate is per 100,000 population. Campus crime rates for this report are computed using the student population figure for the start of the Fall semester (in 2025, this figure was 5834).

Calendar Years	2023		2024		2025	
Crime Category	ACTUAL	INDEX	ACTUAL	INDEX	ACTUAL	INDEX
Murder & Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	1 ¹	17.49	0	0	1	17.14
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Theft-Larceny	3	52.48	4	68.36	5	85.77
Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹ Instance of rape occurred in 2014 and was reported in 2023. Police were notified and investigated.

Appendix A

Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting/National Incident-Based Reporting System Crime Definitions

Excerpted from the Implementing Regulations of the "Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act" (originally the Campus Security Act) originally published in the Federal Register on April 29, 1994 (Vol. 59, No. 82) and November 1, 1999 (Vol 64, No. 210).

The following definitions will be used to report the crimes listed in 34 CFR sec. 668.46 (previously 668.47) per the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program. The definitions for murder, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, weapon law violations, drug abuse violations, and liquor law violations are excerpted from the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook. The definitions of forcible and non-forcible sex offenses are excerpted from the National Incident-Based Reporting System Edition of the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook.

Crime Definitions from the Uniform Crime Reporting Handbook:

Arson - Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Criminal Homicide-Manslaughter by Negligence - The killing of another person through gross negligence.

Criminal Homicide-Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter - The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

Robbery - The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.

Aggravated Assault - An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. (It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife, or other weapon is used, which could and probably would result in serious personal injury if the crime were successfully completed.)

Burglary - The unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft. For reporting purposes, this definition includes unlawful entry with intent to commit a larceny or felony; breaking and entering with intent to commit a larceny; housebreaking; safecracking; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned.

Motor Vehicle Theft - The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. (Classify as motor vehicle theft all cases where automobiles are taken by persons not having lawful access even though the vehicles are later abandoned, including joyriding.)

Weapon Law Violations - The violation of laws or ordinances dealing with weapon offenses, regulatory in nature, such as manufacture, sale, or possession of deadly weapons; carrying deadly weapons, concealed or openly; furnishing deadly weapons to minors; aliens possessing deadly weapons; and all attempts to commit any

of the aforementioned.

Drug Abuse Violations - Violations of State and local laws relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs. The relevant substances include opium or cocaine and their derivatives, marijuana, synthetic narcotics, and dangerous non-narcotic drugs.

Liquor Law Violations - The violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting: the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, possessing of intoxicating liquor; maintaining unlawful drinking places; bootlegging; operating a still; furnishing liquor to a minor or intemperate person; using a vehicle for illegal transportation of liquor; drinking on a train or public conveyance; and all attempts to commit any of the aforementioned. (Drunkenness and driving under the influence are not included in this definition.)

Sex Offenses Definitions from the National Incident-Based Reporting System Edition of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program

Sex Offenses-Forcible - Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent.

- A. **Forcible Rape**-The carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth).
- B. **Forcible Sodomy**-Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
- C. **Sexual Assault with An Object**-The use of an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.
- D. **Forcible Fondling**-The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or, not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

Sex Offenses-Nonforcible

Unlawful, nonforcible sexual intercourse.

- A. **Incest**-Nonforcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
- B. **Statutory Rape**-Nonforcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Source: Federal Register, April 29, 1994, Vol. 59, No. 82; Federal Register, November 1, 1999, Vol. 64, No. 210.

This information is provided as a part of Bucks County Community College's continuing commitment to safety and security on campus in compliance with the College and University Security Information Act of Pennsylvania and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. Concerns, questions, or complaints related to this document or the applicable statutes should be directed to the Executive Director of Security and Safety by mail at Bucks County Community College 275 Swamp Rd. Newtown, PA 18940, or telephone at 215-968-8394.

Appendix B

Federal Drug Law Violation Penalties

U.S. Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration. (2026). *Drugs of Abuse: A Resource Guide, 2026 Edition*. <https://www.getsmartaboutdrugs.gov/sites/default/files/2026-09/Drugs-Abuse-2026.pdf>

Appendix C

Pennsylvania Drug Law Violation Penalties

Crimes Code of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Marijuana Possession Penalties

Possession of Marijuana (pot) Penalties in PA are as follows:

- For 30 grams or less, you are facing misdemeanor charges of up to 30 days in jail, and a fine of \$500.
- For possession of more than 30 grams, the penalties go up to 1 year in jail and \$5000 in fines. Automatic six month loss of license.
- If you are a first time marijuana offender, it is possible to get probation without a verdict. For second (2nd) offense possession charges, or multiple subsequent offenses, the penalties may double.
- If you have more than 30 grams of marijuana, you run the risk of being charged with possession with intent to deliver or distribute in many cases.

Pennsylvania Drug Possession Penalties

Possession of other Controlled Substances Penalties (Heroin, Cocaine, LSD/Acid, Ecstasy/MMDA, Meth, and prescription drugs including Vicodin and Oxycontin or illegal steroids)

- Up to one year in prison, and/or a \$5,000 fine first (1st) offense.
- Up to two years in prison for a second (2nd) offense.
- Up to three years in prison for a third (3rd) offense.
- Possession of more than five grams of crack (cocaine) may be subject to a minimum penalty of 5 years in prison.

Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, or Selling/distributing Marijuana

- Up to 1 year in jail and/or a fine of up to \$2500.
- For selling to a minor, under Pennsylvania Drug laws, it can be a felony charge of up to 2 years in jail and a \$5000 fine.

*For Further information: [PA Criminal Code Offense § 303.15. Offense Listing](#).

Appendix D

Pennsylvania Underage Drinking Penalties

PA CRIMES CODE § 6308. Purchase, consumption, possession, or transportation of liquor or malt, or brewed beverages.

Offense defined.- A person commits a summary offense if he, being less than 21 years of age, attempts to purchase, purchases, consumes, possesses, or knowingly and intentionally transports any liquor or malt or brewed beverages, as defined in section 6310.6 (relating to definitions). For the purposes of this section, it shall not be a defense that the liquor or malt or brewed beverage was consumed in a jurisdiction other than the jurisdiction where the citation for underage drinking was issued.

Penalty.- A person convicted of violating subsection (a) may be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$500 for the first violation and not more than \$1,000 for the second and each subsequent violation.

Appendix E

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Programs

2023-2025 Drug-Free Schools and Community Act- Counseling and Wellness Activities

Spring 2023

Full Fall Semester- College 101 Student Seminar – Title IX and Alcohol & Drugs Modules piloted.

- April 5, 2023 - Sexual Health Conference- Bucks County PUSH (UBC)
 - Student learning objective: How substance abuse can increase risky sexual behaviors
 - Student learning outcome: How substance abuse can increase violence or be used as coping after violence occurs.

Fall 2023

Full Fall Semester- College 101 Student Seminar – Title IX and Alcohol & Drugs Modules fully launched

- October 10, 2023 - CRP Recovery and Mental Health Resource program. Mental health and addiction resources and information

Spring 2024

Full Spring Semester- College 101 Student Seminar – Title IX and Alcohol & Drugs Modules

BCCC Collegiate Recovery Program staff and a student were involved in a PSA with Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission regarding opioid addiction and the resources available

- March 9, 2024 – Recovery and Mental Health Resource Fair hosted by Bucks Collegiate Recovery Program. Resources and support for substance use disorder and recovery, harm reduction, mental health, suicide, grief, eating disorders, domestic violence, and sexual health and wellness.
- April 17, 2024 – The BCCC Collegiate Recovery Program in collaboration with BCCC Security has acquired several Overdose Emergency Kits (OEK's) from the Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Commission that have been installed at the Newtown, UBC, CAT, and LBC campuses.
- April 9, 2024 – Bucks County Drug and Alcohol Prevention coordinators presented on Wellness, Responsibility, Prevention, and Intervention at LBC and streamed to all campuses
- April 27, 2024 Bucks County Suicide Prevention Task Force health 10th Annual Hold on You Matter Walk to support suicide awareness in Bucks County

Fall 2024

Full Semester - College 101 Student Seminar - Title IX and Alcohol & Drug Modules

- September 10, 2024 - Drug and Alcohol Awareness tabletop
- October 17, 2024 - Drug and Alcohol Awareness tabletop
- November 18, 2024 - Mental Health/Drug Addiction Collaboration Awareness Seminar

Spring 2025

Full Semester - College 101 Student Seminar - Title IX and Alcohol & Drug Modules

- February 25, 2025 - Resource Rally provided information on Drug Addiction and Alcohol via Collegiate Recovery Program (CRP)
- March 8, 2025 - CRP Mental Health & Recovery Resource Fair
- May 9, 2025 - CRP resource table distributed Narcan kits, information on drug and alcohol awareness.

Fall 2025

Full Semester - College 101 Student Seminar - Title IX and Alcohol & Drug Modules

- September – November: Weekly drop in support for students in recovery and/or mental health
- September 17, 2025 - Fall Resource Rally, CRP providing information on Drug & Alcohol, Narcan Kits, Mental Health/Recovery resources.
- October 15, 2025 - Newtown Drug and Alcohol Awareness tabletop
- October 29, 2025 - Epstein Campus at Lower Bucks Drug and Alcohol Awareness tabletop
- November 5, 2025 - Upper Bucks Campus Drug & Alcohol Awareness tabletop.
- November 18, 2025 - Mental Health/Drug Addiction Collaboration Awareness Seminar

Spring 2026

Full Semester - College 101 Student Seminar - Title IX and Alcohol & Drug Modules

- February 3, 2026 - Resource Rally, CRP providing information in Drug & Alcohol, Narcan Kits. Mental Health resources provided by Counseling
- March 5, 2026 - 3rd Annual Recovery & Mental Health Resource Fair
- March 25, 2026 - CRP resource table Epstein Campus at Lower Bucks
- April 1, 2026 - CRP resource table Upper Bucks Campus
- January – April: Weekly drop in support for student in recovery and/or mental health.

Appendix F

Sexual Assault Prevention & Awareness Programs

Activity	Discussion Sexual Violence	Discussion Consent	Discussion Drug & Alcohol Facilitated Sexual Behavior	Info on Risk Education & Personal Protection	Info on Getting Assistance	Possibility of Pregnancy & Transmission of Sexual Diseases	Intro of Community Members Who May be of Assistance	Promise of Discretion, Dignity & Confidentiality	Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights
New Student Orientation	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
COLL101	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Sexual Violence Victims' Brochure				X	X		X	X	X
Webpages	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
It's On Us Bucks Campaign	X	X		X	X				
Sexual Violence Awareness Month	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brochures on Safety, Health, Domestic Violence			X	X		X	X		
Portal messages to Students & Employees					X		X		
Title IX Compliance Training	X	X		X	X		X	X	
NOVA Sextortion Training	X	X		X	X		X	X	
A Woman's Place SAAM Training	X	X		X	X		X	X	
Trevor Project	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Appendix G

Definitions Related to Gender-Based Misconduct

1. **Sexual Assault:** The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines the offense of Sexual Assault as follows: “Except as provided in section 3121 (relating to rape) or 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse), a person commits a felony of the second degree what that person engages in sexual intercourse or deviate sexual intercourse with a complainant without the complainant’s consent.” Source: Title 18, Section 3124.
2. **Stalking:** The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines the offense of Stalking as follows: “A person commits the crime of stalking when the person either: (1) engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly commits acts toward another person, including following the person without proper authority, under circumstances which demonstrate either an intent to place such other person in reasonable fear of bodily injury or to cause substantial emotional distress to such other person; or (2) engages in a course of conduct or repeatedly communicates to another person under circumstances which demonstrate or communicate either an intent to place such other person in reasonable fear of bodily injury or to cause substantial emotional distress to such other person.” Source: Title 18, Section 2709.
3. **Domestic Violence:** The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania defines the term “abuse of family” as follows: “The occurrence of one or more of the following acts between family or household members, sexual or intimate partners or persons who share biological parenthood: (1) Attempting to cause or intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causing bodily injury, serious bodily injury, rape, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, sexual assault, statutory sexual assault, aggravated indecent assault, indecent assault or incest with or without a deadly weapon. (2) Placing another in reasonable fear of imminent serious bodily injury. (3) The infliction of false imprisonment pursuant to 18 Pa.C.S. § 2903 (relating to false imprisonment). (4) Physically or sexually abusing minor children, including such terms as defined in Chapter 63 (relating to child protective services). (5) Knowingly engaging in a course of conduct or repeatedly committing acts toward another person, including following the person, without proper authority, under circumstances which place the person in reasonable fear of bodily injury. The definition of this paragraph applies only to proceedings commenced under this title and is inapplicable to any criminal prosecutions commenced under Title 18 (relating to crimes and offenses).” Source: Title 23, Section 6102.
4. **Consent:** The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania does not formally define “consent.” Bucks County Community College’s Gender-Based Misconduct policy defines consent as follows: “*Consent is an explicitly communicated, reversible mutual agreement in which all parties are capable of making a decision. Consent is informed, voluntary, and actively given. Consent exists when all parties exchange mutually understandable affirmative words or behavior indicating their agreement to participate voluntarily in sexual activity. The following is intended to further clarify the meaning of consent:*
 - a. *Each participant in a sexual encounter must obtain consent for all sexual activities. Consent to one form of sexual activity does not constitute consent to engage in all forms of sexual activity.*
 - b. *Consent consists of an outward demonstration indicating that an individual has freely chosen to engage in sexual activity. Relying on non-verbal communication can lead to misunderstandings.*
 - c. *Consent may not be inferred from silence, passivity, lack of resistance or lack of an active response alone. A person who does not physically resist or verbally refuse sexual activity is not necessarily giving consent.*
 - d. *If at any time it is reasonably apparent that either party is hesitant, confused, or unsure, both parties should stop and obtain mutual verbal consent before continuing such activity.*

- e. *Consent may be withdrawn by either party at any time. Withdrawal of consent must also be outwardly demonstrated by words or actions that clearly indicate a desire to end sexual activity. Once withdrawal of consent has been expressed, sexual activity must cease.*
- f. *An individual who is physically incapacitated from alcohol or other drug consumption (voluntarily or involuntarily) or is unconscious, unaware, or otherwise physically impaired is considered unable to give consent. For example, one who is asleep or passed out cannot give consent.*
- g. *Individuals with a previous or current intimate relationship do not automatically give either initial or continued consent to sexual activity. Even in the context of a relationship, there must be mutually understandable communication that clearly indicates a willingness to engage in sexual activity.*
- h. *Consent is not effective if it results from the use or threat of physical force, intimidation, or coercion, or any other factor that would compromise an individual's ability to exercise his or her own free will to choose whether or not to have sexual contact. In addition, a person is incapable of giving consent if he/she is incapacitated."*

Source: BCCC Board of Trustees Policy 1.14 Gender-Based Misconduct.

5. **Dating Violence:** Bucks County Community College's Gender-Based Misconduct policy defines dating violence as follows: *"Intimate partner violence is also sometimes known as dating violence, domestic violence, or relationship violence. The College recognizes that sexual assault, sexual exploitation, sexual harassment, stalking, and retaliation may all be forms of intimate partner violence when committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the Complainant. In general, intimate partner violence includes physically, sexually, and/or psychologically abusive behavior that arises in the form of a direct violent act, or indirectly as acts that expressly or implicitly threaten violence. Intimate partner violence also occurs when one partner attempts to maintain power and control over the other through one or more forms of abuse, including sexual, physical, verbal, or emotional abuse."*

Source: BCCC Board of Trustees Policy 1.14 Gender-Based Misconduct.

Appendix H

Title IX Information

Bucks County Community College. (n.d.). *Title IX & Gender Based Misconduct*.
<https://www.bucks.edu/resources/counseling/titleix/>

Appendix I

Resources for Students and Employees

- A Woman's Place - 24-hour hotline: 800-220-8116 or awomansplace.org
- A Woman's Place-Legal Advocacy Program: 215-348-0445
- Network of Victim Assistance: 24-hour hotline: 800-675-6900 or NovaBucks.org
- Bucks County Prothonotary's Family Court Office (Protective Orders): 215-348-6822 or buckscounty.gov/597/Protection-From-Abuse
- Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania: 215-340-1818
- National Immigrant Justice Center: ImmigrantJustice.org
- Bucks County Community College Counseling Services: 215-968-8189
- Bucks County Community College Accessibility Office: 215-968-8182
- Bucks County Community College Employee Assistance Program: HealthAdvocate.com
- Bucks County Community College Title IX Coordinator: Dr. Jill Blanco, 215-504-8649 or title9@bucks.edu
- Bucks County Community College Department of Security and Safety: 215-968-8911
- Bucks County Community College Emergency Alerts: bucks.edu/alerts or text the word Bucks to 79516
- Bucks County Community College Anonymous Tips: bucks.edu/tips
- Bucks County Community College: Student and Employee Parking Information: bucks.edu/parking
- Bucks County Community College Student Code of Conduct: bucks.edu/conduct
- Safe and positive options for bystander intervention: bucks.edu/bystander
- Bucks County Community College Omnilert app: Available for iOS and Android devices at no cost
- PA State Police Megan's Law Information: meganslaw.psp.pa.gov

Appendix J

Bystander Intervention Strategies

What is Bystander Intervention?

If you are a bystander or witness to a potentially harmful situation, consider the following steps toward taking action.

1. Notice the event along a continuum of actions
2. Consider whether the situation demands your action
3. Decide if you have a responsibility to act
4. Choose what form of assistance to use
5. Understand how to implement the choice safely

(Adapted from Darley and Latane, 1968)

- Always consider your safety. Determine if there are other sources of assistance to call, whether on or off-campus.
- Be a true friend. If someone's behavior is or has the potential to result in harm, speak up and share your concerns.

Appendix K

Newtown Campus Geography

Newtown, PA



Appendix L

Gene and Marlene Epstein Campus at Lower Bucks Geography

Bristol, PA



Appendix M

Upper Bucks Campus Geography

Perkasie, PA



Appendix N

Lower Bucks Public Safety Training Center Geography

Croydon, PA

