

Emergency Management – The Basics

It is important for everyone to have some basic emergency preparedness information. Knowing what to do in the event of a fire, tornado, hazardous materials release, or active shooter can be critical to your safety in an emergency situation. Here is some safety guidance and more can be found on the Emergency Management web page and the Emergency Guide Poster:

<http://www.emergency.eku.edu/emergency-action-quick-reference-and-sheltering-place>

http://emergency.eku.edu/sites/emergency.eku.edu/files/eku_emergency_guide_-_version_6_0.pdf

Fire or Fire Alarm:

- Evacuate the area.
- Alert others on your way out. Activate the alarm if it is not already sounding.
- Call 911 for help.
- Have a plan. Know your ways out of every occupied space.

Tornado Warning:

- D.U.C.K.
- Go Down to the lowest level.
- Get Under something sturdy.
- Go to the Center of a permanent structure.
- Keep away from exterior doors and windows.

Hazardous Materials (Small):

- Stop what you are doing.
- Evacuate the area.
- Secure the location.
- Isolate exposed individuals for decontamination, evaluation, and treatment.
- Call 911 for help.
- Shut down relevant utilities and room HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning).

Hazardous Materials (Large):

- Know Your Zones:
 - 2E is EKU Richmond North of the Bypass
 - 2D is EKU Richmond South of the Bypass
 - 1C is Meadowbrook Farm
 - 3D is the Madison Airport
- Go to an Enhanced Shelter in Place (ESIP) Building
 - Alumni Coliseum
 - Combs Classroom Building
 - Model Gymnasium
 - Perkins Building
 - Thompson Residence Hall
 - University Building
 - Whitlock Building.
- Listen to the radio.
 - WEKU 88.9 FM, WCYO 100.7 FM, WLFX 106.7 FM, WCBR 1110 AM, and WEKY 1340 AM.

Active Violence/Shooter:

Quickly determine the most reasonable way to protect your own life.

Individuals Confronted with Active Violence/Shooter(s):

- Evacuate.
 - Have an escape route and plan in mind.
 - Leave your belongings behind.
 - Keep your hands visible.
- Hide out.
 - Hide in an area out of the active shooter's view.
 - Block entry to your hiding place and lock or barricade the doors.
 - Silence electronic devices.
- Take action.
 - As a last resort and only when your life is in imminent danger.
 - Attempt to incapacitate the active shooter.
 - Act with physical aggression and throw items at the active shooter.
- Call 911 when it is safe to do so.

Individuals Away From the Active Violence/Shooter(s):

- Protect yourself.
- Take shelter in a secure place.
- If off campus, stay away.
- Monitor the media for updates and information.

Emergency Management would like to remind the community that we are all empowered and responsible for our own safety. When emergencies occur, first responders will be summoned and will respond to the scene of the incident. Responder priorities will be to stabilize the event, protect human life and health, protect the environment, and protect property. Help will come, but it may take some time to get to the affected individuals. The ECU Emergency Action Plans were written to provide everyone with practical information, which can be used to make good decisions, and help individuals to be safe in times of crisis. The Emergency Action Plans inform you of what you can do, and the Emergency Notification System informs you that there is an emergency. With Rave Mobile Safety, you can manage your own contact information.

We encourage you to review your information on a regular basis, and make changes to it as your circumstances change. It is easy to maintain your information. You can use this link and follow the instructions to manage your contacts.

http://emergency.ecu.edu/sites/emergency.ecu.edu/files/emergency_notification_system_-_contact_information_management.pdf
