

NATIONAL CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH

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September is **National Campus Safety Awareness Month**, and that gives us the opportunity to bring attention to the issue of safety on our TTUHSC campuses. Take a minute to check out TTUHSC's [Emergency Preparedness website](#), where you can access tools and information to help you stay safe on campus.



DID YOU KNOW that you can request in-person Active Shooter Training or Stop the Bleed Training for your department? Contact Emergency Management Coordinator, TJ Smith at TJ.Smith@ttuhsc.edu or call 806.743.2597 to schedule training.

AVOID | DENY | DEFEND

Should you ever find yourself in the middle of an active shooter incident, your survival may depend on whether or not you have a plan. The plan doesn't have to be complicated. There are three things you could do that make a difference: **Run. Hide. Fight.**

AVOID

When an active shooter is in your vicinity:

- If there is an escape path, attempt to evacuate
- Evacuate whether others agree to or not
- Leave your belongings behind
- Help others escape, if possible
- Prevent others from entering the area
- Call 911 when you are safe

DENY

If an evacuation is not possible, find a place to hide and:

- Lock and/or blockade the door
 - Silence your cell phone
 - Hide behind large objects
 - Remain very quiet
- Your hiding place should:
- Be out of the shooter's view
 - Provide protection if shots are fired toward you
 - Not trap or restrict your options for movement

DEFEND

As a last resort, and only if your life is in danger:

- Attempt to incapacitate the shooter
- Act with physical aggression
- Improvise weapons
- Commit to your actions

**ACTIVE SHOOTER
HOW TO RESPOND**

RUN
IF YOU CAN
WHEN THERE IS AN
ACTIVE THREAT

HIDE
IF ESCAPE IS NOT POSSIBLE
• LOCK AND BARRICADE DOOR
• AVOID WINDOWS
• SILENCE YOUR PHONE

FIGHT
IF LIFE IS IN IMMINENT
DANGER AND IT IS
YOUR LAST RESORT

CALL 911
IF YOU CANNOT SPEAK,
LEAVE THE LINE OPEN AND ALLOW DISPATCHER TO LISTEN