

## **WHAT TO DO IF FACED BY AN**

### **ATTACKER :**

The decision is yours as to whether to fight back against an attacker. If you do decide to fight back, you must be quick, determined , effective and at 100% force.

- Target the eyes and groin. Keys, pens and pencils can be jabbed into the eyes, face or neck.
- Smash a lighted cigarette in their face.
- Aim your fist or palm of your hand in a fast, upward motion to the attacker's nose.
- Carry deterrent devices such as umbrellas (jab strongly into eyes, neck or groin), plastic lemon (squirts about 15 feet and in the eyes causes short-term blindness), sharp pointed items (keys, pens and pencils across face and into eyes and neck), and registered personal defense items (pepper spray, stun gun, mace).

### **Campus Safety Internet Resources**

Several internet sites are targeted specifically at campus safety and security.

The following are very informative:

<http://www.amerisponse.com/>

[Safety\\_College.htm](http://www.safecampusesnow.org)

<http://www.safecampusesnow.org>

<http://www.securityoncampus.org/students/tips.html>

**and most importantly:**

<http://www.bsu.edu/publicsafety>



## MUNCIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dispatch: 765-747-4838

Detectives: 765-747-4867

Records Div: 765-747-4891

Uniform Div: 765-747-4755

University Police:

765-285-1111

## Campus Safety & Security Tips



Working with, not for,  
the citizens of Muncie.

The imagined ideal of the student in the ivory tower protected from the real world is as far from reality as a knight in shining armor. In truth, you the student face very real situations where you may be at risk. Your campus can be a safe place however, if you employ caution and the assistance of whatever security is available.

### ***Ball State University Police***

The Ball State University Police Department provides full police and security services throughout the campus and the area immediately surrounding campus. The department employs 31 full-time professional law enforcement officers who are trained and certified by the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. Officers continue to receive on-the-job training and career development in enforcement, investigative and security procedures

#### ***IMPORTANT BSU POLICE NUMBERS:***

- Crime Prevention– 765-285-1111
- Rape Aggression Defense System– Sgt. Kent Kurtz 765-285-1111 Email: [kkurtz@bsu.edu](mailto:kkurtz@bsu.edu)
- Dispatch 765-285-1111

#### ***IMPORTANT MUNCIE POLICE NUMBERS:***

- Dispatch 765-747-4838
- Emergencies 911

#### ***SILENT WITNESS/CRIME STOPPERS***

Ball State's Silent Witness Program is a program whereby a student can anonymously report a crime by phone or secured web page. Contact phone numbers for Silent Witness are 765-285-1111 and University Police Detectives at 765-285-3741.

Muncie has a Greater Muncie Area Crime Stoppers Program where crime information can be phoned anonymously and, if your tip leads to an arrest, a reward is paid the tipster. That phone number is 765-286-4050. No Police personnel answer the Crime Stopper phone line.

#### ***CAMPUS SAFETY TIPS***

- Study the campus and neighborhood with respect to routes between your residence and class/activities schedule.
- Know where emergency phones are located.
- Share your class/activities schedule with parents and a network of close friends, effectively creating a type

of "buddy" system.

- Travel in groups.
- Use a shuttle service after dark.
- Avoid walking alone at night.
- Avoid "shortcuts".
- Evaluate the security of off-campus student apartments and complexes before you rent.
- Remember, alcohol and/or drug abuse is involved in about 90% of campus crime.

#### ***HOME SAFETY TIPS***

- Doors and windows to your residence should be equipped with quality locking mechanisms.
- Room doors should be equipped with peep holes and deadbolts. Always lock them when you are absent.
- Do not loan out your key. Have the locks rekeyed when a key is lost or stolen.
- Always lock your doors and 1st and 2nd floor windows at night.
- Never compromise your safety for a roommate who asks you to leave the door unlocked and never, never leave a door propped open with an object for your roommate.
- Do not leave your identification, wallets, checkbooks, jewelry, cameras, and other valuables in open view.
- Program your phone's speed dial memory with emergency numbers that include family and friends.
- Know your neighbors and don't be reluctant to report illegal activities and suspicious loitering.