

Campus Security Report Fall 2017 Statistics

The Title II Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 require educational institutions to provide all students and employees with crime statistics and related materials. The following report is compiled as a part of Surry Community College's commitment to campus safety and security, and in compliance with federal regulations.

Disclosure of Crime Statistics

The Surry Community College Police Department prepares this report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. The full text of this report can be located on our web site at www.surry.edu. This report is prepared in cooperation with the local law enforcement agencies surrounding our main campus in Dobson, the Center for Public Safety in Mount Airy, and the Yadkin Campus in Yadkinville, the Elkin Center in Elkin and the Pilot Center in Pilot Mountain. Each entry provides updated information on their educational efforts and programs to comply with the act.

Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those reported to the SCCPD Police, designated campus officials (including but not limited to directors, deans, department heads, faculty, staff, advisors to students/student organizations, athletic coaches), and local law enforcement agencies. Student Development provides counseling services and their staff informs clients of the procedures to report crime to campus police on a voluntary or confidential basis, should they feel it is in the best interest of the client. A procedure is in place to anonymously capture crime statistics disclosed confidentially during such session.

Each year, an e-mail notification is made to all enrolled students that provide the web site to access this report. Faculty and staff receive similar notification via e-mail as well. Copies of the report may also be obtained through the office of Student Development and the SCC campus police office on the main campus, the information window at the Yadkin Campus, the receptionist at the Center for Public Safety in Mount Airy, and the receptionists at the Pilot and Elkin Centers, or by calling (336) 386-8121. All prospective employees may obtain a copy from Human Resources located in the business office of the A building on the main campus.

In addition a link

<https://myknightlife.surry.edu/policies/Documents/Emergency%20Response%20Plan.pdf> has been provided to SCC's Emergency Response plan to better inform faculty, staff and students in response procedures during critical incidents. Pre-incident training is conducted monthly to ensure everyone has the opportunity to learn ways of protecting themselves during a potentially critical incident and to assure all protocols are being met.

Campus Police Authority and Jurisdiction

Surry Community College Campus Police have complete police authority to apprehend and arrest anyone involved in illegal acts on-campus and areas immediately adjacent to the campus. Any property that is rented, owned, or leased by Surry Community College is included within the guidelines of this policy. These campuses include but not limited to the Dobson main campus, the Center for Public Safety in Mount Airy, the Yadkin campus in Yadkinville, the Pilot Center in Pilot Mountain and the Elkin Campus in Elkin. If minor offences involving violations of SCC's policies, rules and regulations are committed by a student, the Chief of the SCCPD has the responsibility to initiate disciplinary procedures against the student for any and all violations.

All reports of offences are reported to the SCCPD including rape, murder, aggravated assault, robbery, auto theft, domestic disturbances, larcenies, damage to property, trespassing etc. The prosecutions of all criminal offences, including felony, misdemeanor, and infraction cases are calendared through the Surry County and Yadkin County District Attorney's office.

Campus Police personnel work closely with local, state, and federal police agencies and have direct radio communication with the Surry County Communications Center, Dobson Police, Mount Airy Police, Elkin Police, Pilot Mountain Police, State Emergency Management, Sate Highway Patrol and Yadkinville Police Departments. The SCCPD is also a part of the Surry County 911 emergency system.

By mutual agreement with state and federal agencies, officers with the SCCPD are certified and trained in access to the North Carolina Division of Criminal Information system. Through this system the SCCPD can access the National Crime Information Computer system and the Division of Motor Vehicles to gain data on criminal history, nationwide police records, driver/vehicle identification information, as well as other local, state, and federal law enforcement information.

Through coordination with local law enforcement agencies, any criminal activity engaged in by students at off-campus locations is monitored and recorded. Depending on the circumstances of the alleged behavior and or criminal activity may result in follow up action from the SCCPD in order to ensure a safe and secure educational environment for all persons at Surry Community College.

Crime Prevention Programs

Crime Prevention Programs on personal safety and theft prevention are sponsored by various campus organizations throughout the year. The Surry Community College Police Department (SCCPD) personnel facilitate oral presentations for students, faculty and staff in both new employee and new student orientation sessions, along with but not limited to student organizations, and community organizations. Additional training, seminars, and presentations are scheduled throughout the year to further educate SCC's community of personal safety and threats that may pertain to them while on campus.

Tip: To enhance personal safety, and especially after an evening class, walk with friends or someone from class that you know well, or call (336) 386-8121-0 and ask for an escort from the SCCPD.

Timely Warnings

In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that, in the judgment of the Chief of Campus Police, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide "Timely Warning" will be issued. The warning will be issued through the Connect Surry alert system, and the campus e-mail system which includes students, faculty and staff.

Depending on the particular circumstances of the crime, especially in all situations that could pose an immediate threat to the community and individuals, the Surry Community College Police Department will also post a notice on the SCC website under campus crime alert through the Campus Police link detailing information concerning each incident at: <https://surry.edu/experience-surry/consumer-information/>, providing the college community with more immediate notification. In such instances, a copy of the notice will be posted on bulletin boards in each building on the SCC campus. Anyone with information concerning a certain warning should report directly to the Surry Community College Police Department, by phone (336) 386-3453 or in person at the information center located within the business office of the "A" building.

Criminal Activity off Campus

When a Surry Community College student is involved in an off-campus offense, police officers may assist under the mutual aid agreement established with local, state, and federal law enforcement. The Dobson Police Department, Mount Airy Police Department, Elkin Police Department, Pilot Mountain Police Department and the Yadkinville Police Department routinely work and communicate with campus officers on any serious incidents occurring on-campus or in the immediate neighborhood and business areas surrounding the campus. Surry Community College operates no off-campus housing or off-campus student organization facilities. However, many students live in the neighborhoods surrounding SCC. All agencies listed above and including the Surry County Sheriff's Department depending on the location have primary jurisdiction in all areas off-campus. Surry Community College Police officers (SCCPD) can and do respond to student-related incidents that occur in close proximity to campus. SCCPD officers have direct radio communications with all law enforcement agencies listed including all fire departments, emergency response and county 911 emergency communication centers to facilitate rapid response in any emergency situation.

Counselors

As a result of the negotiated rulemaking process which followed the signing into law, the 1998 amendments to 20 U.S.C. Section 1092 (f), clarification was given to those considered to be campus security authorities. Campus "Professional Counselors" when acting as such, are not considered to be a campus security authority and are not required to report crimes for inclusion into the annual disclosure of crime statistics. As a matter of policy, they are encouraged; if and when they deem it appropriate, to inform persons being counseled of the procedures to report crimes on a voluntary basis for inclusion into the annual crime statistics.

The rulemaking committee defines counselors as:

Professional Counselor: An employee of an institution whose official responsibilities include providing psychological counseling to members of the institution's community and who is functioning within the scope of his or her license or certification.

Security and Access

During business hours, the College will be open to students, parents, employees, contractors, guests, and public functions. During non-business hours access to all College facilities is restricted by key, if issued, or by admittance via designated college personnel.

Some facilities may have individual hours, which may vary at different times of the year. Examples are the Corporate and Continuing Education or “J” building, the gym or “P” building, and the Emergency Services Training Center. In these cases, the facilities will be secured according to schedules developed by the department responsible for the area of education or training.

Emergencies may necessitate changes or alterations to any posted schedules. Areas that are revealed as problematic have security surveys conducted on them. Administrators review the results of these surveys and implement any changes that will enhance safety and deter future criminal activity. These surveys examine security issues such as landscaping, locks, alarms, lighting, traffic and communications. Additionally, during the academic year the Surry Community College Safety Committee meets bi-monthly to address issues of concern.

Security Awareness Programs

During new student orientation at the start of the fall semester and in ACA classes, an oral presentation by the Surry Community College Police Department (SCCPD) offers information on services available at SCC. These presentations outline the establishment of the SCCPD and their responsibilities as a certified sworn police department, policy requirements, general safety guidelines, responses to incidents such as lock down and evacuation procedures, parking regulations and communication and contact information. Students are made aware of how to report crimes and incidents and how access information through SCC’s web site for critical warnings in the event one is issued.

A proactive approach to reducing crime and victims of crimes is in education. Students are informed of simple crime prevention techniques with regards to vandalism, stalking, domestic related issues, drug and alcohol use, theft, and personal safety while attending classes. A common theme of all awareness and crime prevention programs is to encourage students and employees to be aware of their responsibility for their own security and the security of others.

In addition to presentations, information is disseminated through the student newsletter on general safety tips, security alerts, displays, and videos. Several forms of communication have been established to ensure the SCC community has firsthand information relating to their safety. SCC Alert is used to send messages to phone numbers and e-mail addresses the student lists at registration time. The public address system is an automated system that spans the campus inside and outside all buildings.

General Procedures for Reporting a Crime or Emergency

Surry Community College members, students, faculty, staff and guests are encouraged to report all crimes and public safety related incidents to the Surry Community College Police Department (SCCPD) in a timely manner. This publication focuses on SCCPD because it maintains a police presence at the Dobson campus, Center for Public Safety in Mount Airy, and the Yadkin campus in Yadkinville, the Elkin Center in Elkin and the Pilot Center in Pilot Mountain. To report a crime or emergency at any of SCC's campuses call 911 immediately, your call depending on your location will be transferred to the appropriate 911 call center for immediate assistance.

- To report a non-emergency police, general assistance, or public safety related matter on the Dobson main campus, call (336) 386-8121 + 0 for the operator or dial 0 from any college phone and this will direct you to the campus communications center. For additional assistance call the non-emergency number for the Surry County Communications Center at (336) 374-3000.
- To report a non-emergency police, general assistance, or public safety related matter on the Center for Public Safety campus, call (336) 386-8121 + 0 for the operator, or (336) 356-5300 for the operator of the CPS campus. For additional assistance call the non-emergency number for the Mount Airy Police Department at (336) 786-3535.
- To report a non-emergency police, general assistance, or public safety related matter on the Yadkin campus, call (336) 679-4600 for the operator. For additional assistance call the non-emergency number for the Yadkinville Police Department at (336) 679-2863.
- To report a non-emergency police, general assistance, or public safety related matter on the Pilot Center campus, call (336) 386-3618 for the operator. For additional assistance call the non-emergency number for the Pilot Mountain Police Department at (336) 368-4725.
- To report a non-emergency police, general assistance, or public safety related matter on the Elkin Center campus, call (336) 386-3605 for the operator. For additional assistance call the non-emergency number for the Elkin Police Department at (336) 835-9800.

Under mutual aid agreements that have been established with surrounding law enforcement agencies, all reports obtained by outside law enforcement pertaining to incidents on SCC's campuses will be forwarded to the SCCPD for follow up investigation and final determination of appropriate action to be taken.

If assistance is required from any outside emergency response department concerning any incidents on campus, the SCCPD will assess the situation and contact the appropriate departments for response. If an incident occurs in which counseling services are needed, SCC has developed an onsite Behavioral Assistance and Crisis Response team to assist with any after incident needs that students, faculty and staff may need.

This publication contains information about on-campus and off-campus resources. That information is made available to provide SCC students, faculty and staff with specific information about the resources that are available in the event they become a victim of a crime. The information about "resources" is not provided to infer that those resources are "reporting entities" under Clery Act compliance.

Crimes should be reported to the SCCPD to ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics and to aid in providing timely warning notices to the SCC community, when appropriate.

Reporting of Criminal Offences

To report a crime:

Contact the Surry Community College Police Department at (336) 386-8121 + O for the operator (non-emergencies), dial 9-1-1 for (emergencies only). Any suspicious activity or person seen in the parking lots or loitering around vehicles, inside or outside of buildings should be reported to the police department. In addition you may report a crime to the following areas:

Location	Contact	Phone Number
SCCPD Communications Center	Business office or "A" building	(336) 386- 8121 + O for operator
SCC Police Department	Chief M.W. Shropshire "A" building, A-100	(336) 386-3453, (336) 386-3457, or (336) 386-3582
Student Services	Vice President Dr. Jami Woods "A" building, A-108F	(336) 386-3266
Associate Dean Curriculum	Sabra Matney "A" building, H-147	(336) 386-3276
Surry County Communications	Non-Emergency Line Only	(336) 374-3000
Yadkin Campus	Director Dr. Wayne Matthews	(336) 679-4600 or ext. 3584
Yadkinville Police Department	Non-Emergency Line Only	(336) 679-2863
Center for Public Safety	Director Ronald Hill	(336) 386-3680 or ext. 3292
Elkin Police Department	Communications Center	(336) 835-9800
Pilot Mountain Police Department	Communications Center	(336) 368-4725
Mount Airy Police Department	Communications Center	(336) 786-3535
Elkin Center	Mary Beth Gambill	(336) 386-3605
Pilot Center	Director Greg Smith	(336) 386-3618 or ext. 3331

Surry Community College Police Department has mutual aide agreements in effect with the Dobson Police Department, Surry County Sheriff's Department, Elkin Police Department, Mount Airy Police Department, Pilot Mountain Police Department and the Yadkinville Police Department. Each department augments the other within their jurisdictions during mutual investigations, arrest and prosecutions. The SCCPD attends preliminary meetings with local law enforcement agencies to exchange ideas and problems which may be of concern for SCC's community.

Voluntary Confidential Reporting Procedures

If you are a victim of a crime and do not want to pursue action within the college system or the criminal justice system, you may still want to consider making a confidential report. With your permission, the Chief or a designee of the SCCPD can file a report on the details of the incident without revealing your identity. The purpose of a confidential report is to comply with your wish to keep the matter confidential, while taking steps to ensure the future safety of yourself and others. With such information, the SCCPD can keep accurate records of the number of incidents involving students, to determine where there is a pattern of crime with regard to a particular location, method, or assailant, and alert the campus community to potential danger. Reports filed in this manner are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for Surry Community College. The SCCPD works in conjunction with the Mount Airy Police Department's Crime Stoppers program. If anyone wishes to file a report through crime stoppers call (336) 786-4000.

Campus Police/Security Policy

Federal regulations require colleges to inform all students and employees about recent crime statistics and related concerns. This information can be viewed on the SCC homepage at <https://www.surry.edu/> by following the Campus Police link, or a copy can be obtained in the Office of Student Development. Surry Community College is a drug-free campus. Policies relating to this matter are available in their entirety in the Student Development Office, the Reeves Building and on the college website.

1. **Reporting Criminal Activity.** Students and staff are advised to report any emergency or crime to the SCC Police Department and to the switchboard as soon as possible. These staff will report any crime that takes place at SCC to the College Police Department. In cases of extreme emergency, telephones are conveniently located throughout the campus for "911" calls.
2. **Orientation.** Students are advised of security and safety regulations at SCC during fall orientation and in College Student Success classes. Students are also familiarized with the College drug and alcohol policy, and are advised to seek help in Student Development for any related problems. Student Development refers students to other community agencies for additional services when appropriate.
3. **Safety Committee.** SCC has an active safety committee chaired by the Chief of Campus Police. This committee monitors all aspects of campus safety and security. Reviews of lighting, visibility, parking lot security, and building security are made on a regular basis.
4. **Campus Police.** SCC is a certified law enforcement agency, and as such, employs sworn law enforcement officers to enhance the safety of students and staff while on campus. The police force patrols the campus on a regular basis. The officers are authorized to enforce federal, state, and local laws, as well as certain campus policies, and they do have full arrest powers. The SCC Police Department cooperates with federal, state, and local police agencies in law enforcement matters.

5. **Programs and Seminars.** SCC's Police Chief speaks to all orientation classes about campus security and explains current policies to all new students. SCC offers one seminar per year on sexual assault/date rape and drug/alcohol concerns. SCC registration forms inform students about the Drug and Alcohol Policy, Sexual Harassment Policy, prohibition of weapons on campus, unlawful demonstrations, violence or force, and campus security. This information is also available in the SCC catalog. All on-campus activities are designated as drug-free activities. SCC hosts an annual Health Fair where information is available regarding domestic violence and other personal issues. One SCC counselor in Student Development is assigned to advise students on alcohol/drug issues.
6. **Publications.** The annual campus security report is published on the SCC website. (<https://www.surry.edu/>).
7. **Security Awareness.** The Chief of the SCC Police Department is responsible for collecting statistics on campus crime and for maintaining a daily public crime log. The Chief is also responsible for distributing the campus security report to all employees. The Student Development Office is responsible for distributing the report to students and for informing the campus community in a timely manner of certain crimes considered to represent a threat to students or employees. Surry Community College attempts to provide a safe environment in which to learn. The occurrence of crime on campus has been minimal throughout the history of the College. However, students are advised to keep up with books and other possessions and to lock their vehicles. Evening students are advised to walk to their cars with other students, especially if they stay late to complete a class or assignment. In general, SCC parking lots are close to the classroom buildings and are well lighted. The College is committed to providing a learning environment that is as safe and secure as possible.

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