TIMELY WARNING

ON-CAMPUS NEAR LIBRARY BY POND

Sexual Assault

10-19-2014

This communication is prepared related to the Timely Warning requirement of the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act of 1990. This federal law requires a general communication to the campus community of all crimes reported to campus or local police departments that may pose a threat to the campus community. Such reports shall be provided to students and employees in a manner that is timely and that may aid in the prevention of similar occurrences.

Millersville University Police received a report just before midnight of a student who was raped by two student-aged males on campus, by the pond side of the library. The student related that two males, one who was lighter in complexion and the other who was darker in complexion physically assaulted then raped her. The student has been transported to a local hospital for treatment.

University Police have called in extra officers to work this evening but request students use a buddy system in walking on or off campus.

In response to this incident, Millersville University Police provides the following general information on sexual assaults. This information is not related specific to this incident. The only person responsible for sexual violence is the perpetrator. Millersville University has zero tolerance for sexual assault or misconduct.

Students are advised to use a buddy system and to walk in lit areas during the evening while this assault is investigated. University Police will seek a reward of up to \$2,000 for information leading to the arrests of those responsible for the rape.

If you feel uneasy about a situation -- as someone vulnerable or as a bystander -- trust your instincts and attempt to interrupt the chain of events. Being an active bystander doesn't require you put yourself at risk. Create a distraction, involve friends or call for help. Make a commitment to ensure everyone has a safe way home, i.e., a trusted friend or escort. If you believe a crime has been committed call the police at 911. The Millersville University Police Department provides a safety escort from 11 p.m. – 7 a.m. available by calling 717-872-3433.

Anyone who may have knowledge or information about this rape is asked to contact Chief Pete Anders at 872-3434 and/or e-mail of <u>peter.anders@millersville.edu</u> or Deputy Chief Howard Bauman at 872-3524 or <u>howard.bauman@millersville.edu</u>.

Callers also may contact Dr. James McCollum, Title IX coordinator at 717-871-4100 or <u>james.mccollum@millersville.edu</u> Ms. Lori Austin, Deputy Title IX coordinator at 717-871-5841 or <u>lori.austin@millersville.edu</u>. Callers may remain anonymous.

This warning should remain posted in residential and common areas for two weeks until November 2, 2014