UPDATED

TIMELY WARNING

Hate Crime (Ethnic Intimidation and Vandalism)

November 1 & 2, 2018

This communication is prepared as part of 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 were notified on the afternoon of Thursday, November 1, 2018 that an unknown person wrote “I hate Jews” on a men’s bathroom partition in Gordinier Hall. Millersville University Police have processed the partition for latent fingerprints and consider this act a hate crime based upon the wording and damage to University property. Chief Anders determines that the hateful words of “I hate Jews” written in a common bathroom may reasonably cause fear in our community in light of the Pittsburgh Tree of Life Synagogue massacre last weekend. University Police are also investigating an October 23, 2018 vandalism report of a swastika as graffiti in a men’s designated bathroom in McNairy library.

UPDATE: On Friday, November 2, 2018, Millersville University Police were notified of derogatory race-related graffiti against black people in a men’s designated bathroom in the Student Memorial Center. University Police responded and are investigating this incident.

University Police will work with the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards, and the Title IX Office with these investigations. The only person responsible for ethnic intimidation is the perpetrator. The University does not tolerate acts of discrimination, harassment or retaliation against or by any employee or student.

Anyone who may have knowledge or information about these incidents are asked to contact Chief Pete Anders at 871-4357 and/or e-mail peter.anders@millersville.edu or report through the Millersville LiveSafe Safety App.

This warning should remain posted on the outside of the three impacted bathroom doors of Gordinier Hall, McNairy Library and the Student Memorial Center until November 16, 2018.