

Timely Warning Notices

The purpose of this policy is to outline procedures that William Paterson University will use to issue a “timely warning” in compliance with the Clery Act.

In the event of an alleged Clery Act crime occurring on campus, on public property within or immediately adjacent to the campus, or in or on non-campus buildings or property controlled by the University that in the judgment of the Director of Public Safety and University Police or his/her designee in consultation with the Vice President of Administration and Finance, or his/her designee, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus-wide “timely warning” will be issued. The need to issue such a warning will be decided on a case by case basis in light of all the facts surrounding a crime, including the nature of the crime, the continuing danger to the campus community, and the risk of compromising law enforcement efforts. Notices also may be issued for other crimes as determined necessary by the Director of Public Safety and University Police or his/her designee in consultation with the Vice President of Administration and Finance, or his/her designee.

The warning will be issued through the University email system to students and employees. The University may also post a notice on the University website. In such instances a copy of the notice may also be posted in buildings on campus where appropriate.

As always, anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to the William Paterson University Police Department by phone at 973.720.2300 or in person at the Public Safety Building. The building is located on University Drive and can be reached via Entry No. 1 on Pompton Road; it is the first building on the left.