Timely Warnings

Timely Warnings are required to be issued for all Clery Act crimes that occur on the College’s Clery Act geography that are reported to Campus Security Authorities or local law enforcement and considered by the College to represent a serious or continuing threat to students and employees. The intent of the Timely Warning regarding criminal incidents is to enable people to protect themselves and aid in the prevention of similar occurrences. Names of victims are confidential and will be withheld from a Timely Warning.

Students, faculty, staff, community members and guests are encouraged to report all crimes and public safety-related incidents to Campus Safety to aid in providing accurate and timely warning notices to the community when appropriate, and to ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics. In the event of a serious incident which may pose an on-going threat to members of the College community, a Timely Warning in the form of a Security Alert is sent to all affected students and employees on campus. The alerts are generally written and distributed to the campus community by the Director of Campus Safety or the Vice President for Student Organization & Development.

Alerts and updates to the College community about any particular case may be distributed via blast email or text message, and posted on the Roberts Wesleyan College website. Security Alert posters may also be posted by Campus Safety in campus buildings when deemed necessary. When Security Alerts are posted in campus buildings, they are posted in the lobby/entrance area of affected building(s) for at least seven days.

The issuance of a Timely Warning will be decided on a case by case basis. Factors to be taken into consideration are the nature of the crime, whether there is a continuing danger to the campus community and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts.

The College is not required to issue a Timely Warning with respect to crimes reported to the Wellness Center Counselors or Campus Pastor.