

## **Registered Sex Offenders**

The Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act set the requirements for sexual offender registration and community notification. The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 provides for the tracking of convicted sex offenders, already required to register in a state, to provide notice of each institution of higher education in the state at which that person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student.

This registration is to be made available to law enforcement agencies with jurisdiction where the institutions of higher education are located. Institutions of higher education are required to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement agency information, provided by the state concerning registered sex offenders, may be obtained.

The Act amends the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) to clarify that nothing in the Act can prohibit an educational institution from disclosing information provided to the institution concerning registered sex offenders.

Persons seeking to obtain sex offender registration information may contact the Monroe County Sheriff's Department at the following web site address: http://www.communitynotification.com/cap\_contact.php?office=56366

You may also obtain information on high risk (level 3) registered sex offenders by visiting the New York Department of Criminal Justice Services' Sex Offender Registry at the following link: <u>http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/</u>

For more information, you can contact the NY DCJS Sex Offender Registry at 518-457-5837.