The Jeanne Clery Act: Working Together to Create Safer Campuses

HISTORY OF THE JEANNE CLERY ACT

In April 1986, Jeanne Clery’s life ended tragically when another student raped and murdered her in her residence hall room. Jeanne’s parents, Connie and Howard, committed themselves to leading a national awareness of campus crime creating change.

In 1990, Congress approved the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act. Later renamed in Jeanne’s memory, the Jeanne Clery Act. It took effect in 1991. It requires that colleges and universities:

- keep a public crime log
- publish an annual security report that includes crime statistics and security policies
- provide timely warnings to students and campus employees about a crime posing an immediate or ongoing threat to students and campus employees
- ensure certain basic rights for victims of sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking

The U.S. Department of Education enforces the Clery Act, and is responsible for collecting and disseminating crime statistics from colleges and universities each year.

CLERY ACT 101

CLERY ACT CRIMES

- Homicide
- Sex Offenses
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Burglary
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Arson
- Hate Crimes: Any of the above offenses and incidents of Larceny-Theft, Simple Assault, Intimidation, or Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property.

Arrests & Referrals for Disciplinary Action for:

- Drug Law Violations
- Liquor Law Violations
- Weapons Law Violations

2013 Clery Additions:

- Domestic Violence
- Dating Violence
- Stalking

CLERY ACT GEOGRAPHY

- On-Campus (LSC owned and managed property)
- Public Property (Adjacent to campus, i.e., sidewalks, streets, parking lots)
- Non-Campus (Off-campus but on LSC Affiliated Property, i.e., remote classrooms)

MY CAMPUS CLERY CONTACTS

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The Woodlands, TX 77381

Office of Emergency Management Program Manager
Cheryl Cepeda | (281) 290-2891 | Cheryl.cepeda@lonestar.edu

LSC Police Department
(281) 290-5911 or x5911
Campus Security Authorities
CAMPUS SECURITY AUTHORITIES (CSAs)

WHO ARE CSAs?

• Officials with significant responsibility for student and campus activities
• LSC Police Department
• Individuals or offices designated to receive crime reports

Examples of CSAs:
• Faculty Advisors to Student Groups including Study Abroad
• Athletic Directors, Coaches, Band Leaders, etc.
• Deans/Directors
• Vice Presidents / Associate Vice Chancellors
• Student Services Advisors
• Orientation Leaders for students and employees
• Parking Director/Manager
• Staff providing safety escorts on campus
• Human Resource Directors / Managers
• Title IX Coordinator
• LSC Police & Security Guards

WHO ARE NOT CSAs?

• Faculty who do not have responsibilities outside of the classroom
• Pastoral or professional counselors acting in those specific roles. NOTE: LSC Counselors are CSAs.

CSA RESPONSIBILITIES

• If someone tells you about a crime or an incident that might be a crime, you must report it to LSC Police or an official responsible for collecting Clery report information. The Clery Act permits confidential, not anonymous, reports from CSAs.
• Share the information as related by the person.
• When in doubt, report.
• Tell the person who disclosed the crime to you that you must share the information.
• Help connect the person to available options and resources within Lone Star College.

“CSAs are not investigators or responsible for determining if a crime has taken place. Your job is to collect the facts that are right in front of you and give them to the Title IX Coordinator, Vice President Student Success, or Law Enforcement and let them determine if it is a reportable crime.”

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER A REPORT?

Support & Resources
• Reporting Options
• On- & Off-Campus Resources & Services (including counseling & wellness)

Ongoing Communications
• Timely Warnings
• Emergency Notification

Crime Statistics
• Annual Security Report
• Public Crime Log

MY CAMPUS CONTACTS

COUNSELING & OTHER SERVICES
Lone Star College Resources
www.Lonestar.edu/STOPP
LSC Police
281.290.5911 or x5911

Montgomery County Women’s Center
(24 hours Crisis & Shelter Hotline)
936.441.7273 / TDD 1.800.735.2989
www.mcwctx.org

Houston Area Women’s Center
713.528.2121 / TDD 713.528.3625
1.800.256.0551
www.hawc.org

Resources: Clery Center (2015), www.clerycenter.org. For more information on CSAs visit www.LoneStar.edu/STOPP