Fire Emergencies

• Upon discovering a fire, immediately sound the building fire alarm and alert other occupants. Call Campus Police at extension 2555 to report the fire, even if it has already been extinguished. In reporting the fire, be very specific as to any facts that are known, such as, exact location, fire nature (trash can fire, etc.).

• Evacuate the building in a quick and orderly manner via the building evacuation routes. Always use stairwells. Never use elevators during a fire alarm. Move away from the building entrances as directed by residence life staff and any emergency responders. DO NOT reenter the building until authorized to do so by the residence hall staff or emergency responder.

• Upon evacuating the building and reaching a safe location, if emergency response personnel have not arrived (Campus Police, Fire Dept., etc.) call Campus Police at extension 2555 or Sherman Fire Department at 911.

• Fire Safety Tips: preplan your exit routes, locate two emergency exit routes from your floor, do not stop for personal belongings or records, leave immediately using the nearest exit way or stairwell (not elevator), in case of smoke or heat “stay low”, stay calm.

AC Alert Emergency Notification System

AC Alert is an emergency notification system provided to all Austin College students, faculty, and staff. It is designed to help facilitate emergency communication by voicemail, email, and text messages.

This system allows the College to send a message to you quickly by cell phone (including text messaging), landline, and email to alert you to emergency situations at Austin College. The information you provide will only be used in an Austin College emergency situation.

Students are REQUIRED to confirm and update if necessary their AC Alert Emergency Notification Information at the beginning of each year or the beginning of the Spring semester if not enrolled in the Fall. If the information is not updated by the 12th class day of the semester, a fine of $25 per week will be assessed until the record is completed.

Austin College Health Services

Health Services in the Adams Center is staffed by a registered nurse that will assist Austin College students in meeting their healthcare needs. There is no charge for office visits with the nurse and over-the-counter medications are dispensed as necessary. Unless otherwise posted, local physicians conduct medical clinics in the Adams Center from noon to 1 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, and 5 to 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Gynecology and Dermatology clinics are held on Thursdays.

The nurse is available Monday through Friday, 8:45 – 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. during Fall and Spring semesters.

Students are REQUIRED to confirm and update if necessary their AC Alert Emergency Notification System

Medical Assistance After Hours

For all emergencies, call Campus Police, x2555 or 903.813.2555. They will respond and call 911 if needed. If ambulatory medical services are needed at times other than when Health Services is open, the following facilities offer care:

One Medical
903-868-9565
M-F 8AM—6PM
Sat. 9AM—4PM
Sun. 1PM—6PM

Sherman Medical
903-868-8900
M-F 8AM—6PM
Sat. 9AM—4PM

Urgent Care in Denison
903-416-7544
M-F 8AM—7PM
Sat. & Sun. 9AM—3PM

Wilson N. Jones Medical Center Emergency Room
903-870-4121
24 Hour

Texoma Center for Family Medicine
903-892-8398
M-F 8AM—5PM (By Appt.)

Urgent Care:
M-Th 5PM-8PM
Sat. 9AM—12PM
Sun. 2PM-5PM

Texoma Medical Center Emergency Room
903-416-4181
24 Hour

*All of the hours for these facilities are subject to change. Please call ahead to check the hours of operation.

Tornadoes

If a tornado is sighted approaching campus or if a tornado warning is announced through the City of Sherman Tornado Notification Siren, the following measures should be taken:

• Do NOT leave the building.

• Stay away from windows.

• Do NOT use the elevator.

• IMMEDIATELY move to the lowest level of the building. If the building has a basement that is accessible, go there. Otherwise, stay on the ground level floor. Stay in an inner room or hallway area that is isolated from glass doors and windows.

• IF A TORNADO STRIKES, do NOT go outside to survey the damage. A second tornado sometimes strikes the same area after the first one has moved through.

• Stay calm and continue to monitor local weather broadcasts until the storms are no longer a threat.

Tornado Shelter Areas

Tornado shelter areas are indicated by blue highlighting on interior building maps.

Abell Library
- First Floor Restrooms
- Lower Level of the Emergency Stairwells
- First Floor Office Area Hallways behind Circulation Desk

Baker Hall
- 1st floor North and South hallways, between the lobby privacy doors and emergency North and South exit doors [stay away from lobby and kitchen areas]
- 1st floor shower stalls, but away from toilet area

Bryan Apts.
- Restrooms of each apartment, preferable 1st floor apartments

Caruth Hall
- Basement area

Clyce Hall
- North and South hallways between the lobby privacy door and the emergency North and South exit doors [stay away from lobby and kitchen areas]
- 1st floor shower stalls, but away from toilet area

Dean Hall
- Basement area [stay away from basement west emergency door]

Elizabeth Russell Tennis Complex/Intramural Field
- Inside the men's and women's restrooms

Flats at Brockwell Court
- Restrooms of each apartment, preferable 1st floor apartments

Jordan Family Language House
- Suite bathrooms (keep both doors closed)
- Hallways of each language living area
- Academic hallways (away from glass doors and walls)

Lobby restroom

Mason Athletic Complex
- Hallways on east and west sides of Hughey Gym
- Dressing rooms
- 1st floor elevator lobby & ramp area

All 1st floor restrooms

Roo Suites
- Restrooms of each suite, preferable 1st floor suites

Wright Campus Center
- 1st floor restrooms
- 1st floor main hall, between living room and south lobby
- 1st floor main kitchen

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On-Campus Police Escort
You can be assured that you reach your campus destination safely if you call 903.813.2555 for a police escort. Once requested, an officer will meet you at the designated campus location and escort you safely to your destination anywhere on campus.

If you’re in a building on campus, call from the lobby phone. If you’re returning from off campus, you can call prior to arriving on campus or by using one of the courtesy phones. Give your vehicle description and the location where an officer can meet you.

Courtesy Phones
Courtesy phones are located outside most residence halls and in each lobby. These phones allow users to call any on-campus extension. Courtesy phones are also located in academic buildings.

Blue Light Emergency Phones
Emergency phones are also located outside most residence halls, near parking lots, the jogging track and in the elevators. When the one-touch call button is activated, these phones call the campus police department.

Campus Shutdown
In the case of a campus-wide security emergency, there may be a campus shutdown. A campus shutdown involves all buildings being secured and all community members remaining in their location until further notice. Information regarding a shutdown may be sent to each community member by cell phone, campus room phone, text message and/or email. This provides the broadest distribution. Students are encouraged to update their contact information regularly so that such communication can be facilitated.

Power Outages
Occasionally the campus may experience a power outage in one facility or throughout campus. Residence life staff will be dispatched in the residence halls to secure entry/exit doors and provide info to residents regarding the status of the situation.

Contact Us!
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@roolife
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Important Phone Numbers
Austin College Campus Police Department
903-813-2555

Wright Campus Center Office
903-813-2293

S.E.E.D. Office
903-813-2306

Bryan Apartments/Roo Suites
903-957-3600

Caruth Hall
903-813-2211

Dean Hall
903-813-2321

Clyce Hall
903-813-2301

Baker Hall
903-813-2201

Jordan Language House
903-813-2091

Counseling Services
903-813-2247

Health Services
903-813-2247

Grayson County Crisis Center
903-893-5615