

**MONTREAT COLLEGE
CAMPUS SECURITY
CRIME REPORT
FALL 2008**

The staff of Montreat College is committed to providing a safe and secure community for our students and information that will equip them to assume responsibility for their safety throughout their lives.

MONTREAT CAMPUS

CAMPUS SECURITY

The Montreat College Campus Police has full arrest authority and provides primary police protection for the college community and can be reached by dialing 713-2520. The college's Chief of Campus Police oversees officers who patrol the campus seven nights a week and Monday – Friday during the day. The college works closely with the town of Montreat police which includes the college in its' 24/7 patrol and informs the college of any criminal activity on public property around the campus. All college buildings and residence halls are checked continually to insure security and to confirm that they are locked each evening. In the event of an emergency, the officer has the ability to immediately contact other area police officials. The residence halls are locked at all times, and an emergency phone is centrally located on campus and available at all times. Through the 911 emergency phone number, fire, rescue, and other area police agencies can be contacted directly.

RESIDENCE HALLS

The residence hall staff is trained to respond to campus emergencies and insure the safety of students living in the residence halls. During visitation events, the Residence Life staff is responsible for protecting residents' privacy and safety. Staff members supervise the entry to the buildings and individual halls to insure compliance to college regulations and prevent uninvited off-campus individuals from entering the buildings. Requiring all guests to register and leave by the front lobby door insures safety and security; room doors are required to be left open; and the residence hall staff checks the halls on a regular basis.

The Office of Student Services provides educational programs and materials that encourage students to be responsible for their own security and the security of others. Information is provided to students through the college's Student Handbook, written materials and small group workshops related to the following: crime prevention, self defense, sex offense awareness, and sex offense sanctions. All students are provided detailed procedures to be followed if a sex offense does occur, and support and protections are afforded the victim.

The Student Handbook also provided details of college policies, sanctions, and laws related to illegal drug and alcohol use. Drug and alcohol abuse education and counseling efforts are coordinated through the Office of Student Services.

REPORTING CRIMES ON CAMPUS

Students and employees are directed to report any occurrence of the crimes listed above to the local police, Campus Police, or the Assistant Dean for Student Life. Montreat College will provide a timely warning to the campus community of any occurrences of these crimes in the event they present a continuing threat to students and/or employees. Information regarding area registered sex offenders may be found through the Buncombe County Sheriff's Office or the following North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation web site: <http://sbi.jus.state.nc.us/DOJHAHT/SOR/>

CAMPUS SECURITY AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Montreat College has established a committee made up of staff, faculty, and students to conduct an annual review of all campus security policies, crime reporting procedures, and emergency management procedures. For more information, contact the Office of Student Services at 828-669-8012, extension 3631.

Timely Warnings

In the event that a situation arises, either on or off campus, that in the judgment of the Chief of Campus Police constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus wide “timely warning” will be issued. The warning will be issued through the college’s phone notification system, through campus mail, flyers in all campus buildings, and the college e-mail system to students, faculty, staff. Depending on the particular circumstances of the crime, especially in all situations that could pose an immediate threat to the community and individuals, the Office of Student Services may also post a notice on the campus web site at: www.montreat.edu, providing the community with more immediate notification. In such instances, a copy of the notice is posted in each residence hall and at the front door of each campus building. Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to the Campus Police, by phone (713-2520) or in person at the office of Student Services, Belk Campus Center, second floor.

Confidential Reporting Procedures

If you are the victim of a crime and do not want to pursue action within the college or the criminal justice system, you may still want to consider making a confidential report. With your permission, the Chief or a designee of campus police can file a report on the details of the incident without revealing your identity. The purpose of a confidential report is to comply with your wish to keep the matter confidential, while taking steps to ensure the future safety of yourself and others. With such information, the college can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving students, determine where there is a pattern of crime with regard to a particular location, method, or assailant, and alert the campus community to potential danger. Reports filed in this manner are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the institution.

Policy for Reporting the Annual Disclosure of Crime Statistics

The Office of Student Services prepares this report to comply with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. The full text of this report can be located on our web site at www.montreat.edu/student/campus_police/. This report is prepared in cooperation with the Campus Police, Student Services, Residence Life and local law enforcement agencies. Each entity provides updated information on their educational efforts and programs to comply with the Act. Campus crime, arrest and referral statistics include those reported to the Campus Police, designated campus officials (including but not limited to directors, deans, department heads, advisors to students/student organizations, athletic coaches), and local law enforcement agencies. Counseling and Health Services staff informs their clients of the procedures to report crime to the police on a voluntary or confidential basis, should they feel it is in the best interest of the client. Each year, a copy of the report is e-mailed to all current students and employees. Copies of the report may also be obtained at Student Services, Belk second floor. All prospective employees may obtain a copy from the college Business Office (828) 669-8011, and the web site address will be attached to college employment applications and open position notices.

SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND ADULT STUDIES CLASS LOCATIONS

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ALL CAMPUSES

Sex Offenses

Forcible and/or non-forcible sex offenses are contrary to God’s teachings, are unlawful and are violent crimes subject to criminal prosecution. Non-forcible sex offenses include rape, acquaintance rape and any sex act wherein the victim is incapable of giving consent. Forcible sex offenses include rape, acquaintance rape and any sex act wherein the victim reacts with resistance. Such resistance may consist of saying “No”, arguing, fighting, pleading, screaming, crying or other behavior that indicates the respondent is saying “No!”

Sex offenses will not be tolerated at Montreat College. An alleged act of sexual aggression will be taken seriously, investigated thoroughly by the college and the victim will be encouraged to report the offense to the local authorities. The college will give the victim the option of having the case heard by the student judicial courts or, for privacy reasons, by the Assistant Dean for Student Life. If found responsible, the perpetrator will face disciplinary action ranging from probation to expulsion, depending on the seriousness of the specific offense.

Jurisdiction- Administrative

Sanction- Probation and counseling to dismissal and referral to police.

Should an attack occur, the following reporting procedure should be followed. Do not bathe or change clothes; evidence of the attack must be documented. Report immediately to a residence director or other college official who will communicate with the proper authorities.

On-and-off campus counseling and health services will be made available to any sex offense victims. Changes in campus living accommodations may be provided as necessary. Education programs to promote awareness of rape, acquaintance rape and other sex offenses will be planned and conducted by the Health Center and Counseling staff.

Sexual Assault Response Guarantee

Montreat College Student Services and the Campus Police have adopted the following:

Sexual assaults, including date/acquaintance rape, are a very serious concern of the college. If you feel you are the victim of a sexual assault on campus, we guarantee you the following:

1. We will meet with you privately, at a place of your choice in this area, to take a complaint report.
2. We will not release your name to the public or to the press.
3. Our staff or officers will not prejudge you, and you will not be blamed for what occurred.
4. We will treat you and your particular case with courtesy, sensitivity, dignity, understanding and professionalism.
5. If you feel more comfortable talking with a female or male, we will accommodate your request.
6. We will assist you in arranging for any hospital treatment or other medical needs.
7. We will assist you in privately contacting counseling, safety, advising and other available resources.
8. We will fully investigate your case, and will help you determine how the case is directed in order to achieve the best outcome. This will involve encouraging you to make an official police report seeking the arrest and full prosecution of the suspect responsible.
9. You will be kept up-to-date on the progress of the investigation and/or prosecution.
10. We will continue to be available for you, to answer your questions, to explain the systems and processes involved and to be a listening ear if you wish.

If you feel you are a sexual assault victim, call the Campus Police at extension 713-2520, Health Services at extension 3536, Counseling at extension 3538, Student Services at extension 3631 or any other staff, and say you want to privately make a sexual assault complaint. You may call any time of day or night.

Alcohol Use Policy

All students are encouraged to consider the health risks involved in alcohol use and to seek maturity and responsibility in all of their actions and behavior. This is inclusive of the choice that students, age 21 or older, make concerning alcohol use.

The North Carolina Safe Roads Act prohibits all persons under the age of 21 from purchasing, attempting to purchase, possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages. North Carolina State Law regarding alcohol states the following:

It is illegal for anyone less than 21 years of age to:

- Possess beer or unfortified wine:

Penalty - If 19 or 20 years of age, the offense will be a class 3-misdemeanor criminal offense, which is an unlawful act that has far-reaching legal consequences, in addition to a fine of \$200. If 18 years of age, it will be a misdemeanor which will become a matter of public record as a criminal conviction and subject one to court costs and/or fines.

- Purchase or attempt to purchase beer or unfortified wine:

Penalty - If 19 or 20 years of age, and if the violation occurred while the person was purchasing or attempting to purchase an alcoholic beverage, the sanction will be the same as noted above. If 18 years of age, and if the violation occurred while the person was attempting to purchase an alcoholic beverage, the offense will be a misdemeanor resulting in court costs and/or fine, and upon conviction, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will revoke the defendant's driver's license for one year.

- Aid and abet in the sale, purchase, and/or possession of alcohol (including giving alcohol) to anyone under the age of 21:

Penalty - If convicted, up to a \$1000 fine and 150 hours of community service.

- Aid and abet in the sale, purchase, and/or possession of alcohol (including giving alcohol) by anyone less than 21 years of age:

Penalty - If under 21 years of age, the offense will be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500 or imprisonment for not more than six months or both, and upon conviction, the DMV will revoke the defendant's driver's license for one year.

- Use or attempt to use in order to obtain alcoholic beverages when not of lawful age, a fraudulent or altered driver's license; or a fraudulent or altered identification document other.

Penalty - If convicted, this is a misdemeanor resulting in court costs and/or fine and the DMV will revoke the defendant's driver's license for one year.

- Permit the use of one's driver's license or any other identification document of any kind by any person under 21 to purchase or attempt to purchase or possess alcohol:

Penalty - If convicted, this is a misdemeanor resulting in court costs and/or fine and the DMV will revoke the defendant's driver's license for one year.

- Consume alcoholic beverages in any public area including city streets, sidewalks, town-maintained buildings, bus or municipal parking lots, and town recreation areas:

Penalty - If convicted, this is a misdemeanor and could result in a criminal record, court costs, and restitution by performing community service.

Possession, consumption, or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages on any Montreat College owned or leased property or during any college sponsored event or trip is prohibited, regardless of age. Being under the influence includes, but is not restricted to, offensive, disruptive, hazardous, and/or vulgar conduct during or following the consumption of an alcoholic beverage. Violation of this regulation will result in disciplinary action.

Students over the age of 21 are encouraged to use discretion and mature judgment in the event that they choose to consume alcoholic beverages. Due to the potential influence that student leaders have on fellow students, their consumption of alcoholic beverages is discouraged. However, if student leaders, age 21 or older, do choose to consume alcohol, they are expected to model responsibility and maturity.

These recommendations and regulations apply to all students, living on or off campus. Resident students are responsible for conveying these regulations to their guests while they are on the Montreat College campus. Parents of students under the age of 21 may be notified by the Assistant Dean for Student Life in the event of any alcohol or drug related disciplinary action. Educational materials, programs and counseling treatment are available through the Health and Counseling Centers.

In addition to the college sanctions listed below, students who are 19 or 20 years old and found in possession of an alcoholic beverage will be turned over to the campus police pursuant to North Carolina law [G.S. 18B-302 (I)]. See page 17 for a description of North Carolina law as related to underage possession and consumption.)

Jurisdiction-Administrative

Sanction-1st Offense: 4 weeks probation, 20 hrs. community service, required assessment by college counselor

-2nd Offense: 8 weeks or end of semester probation, 30 hrs. community service, required assessment by college counselor, community service, required assessment by

-3rd Offense: 40 hrs. community service, required assessment by college counselor, probation for two semesters up to dismissal

Students 21 years of age or older who are found responsible for providing an alcoholic beverage to anyone under the age of 21 will be subject to dismissal from the college. Examples of "providing" include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Purchasing an alcoholic beverage for someone under the age of 21.
- b. Giving an alcoholic beverage to someone under the age of 21.
- c. Making an alcoholic beverage available to someone under the age of 21.

A 21-year-old or older student who has a guest under 21 that consumes an alcoholic beverage on or in his or her leased, rented or owned property will also be subject to dismissal.

Jurisdiction-Administrative

Sanction-40 hrs. community service, required assessment by college counselor, probation for two semesters up to dismissal

Possession or Use of Illegal Drugs

For health and legal reasons, possessing, consuming and/or selling illegal drugs, on or off campus, is prohibited. Possession of drug paraphernalia, as defined by North Carolina State Law, is prohibited on and off campus. Unauthorized possession, use, distribution or sale of prescription drugs is also prohibited. Educational materials, programs and counseling treatment are available through the Health and Counseling Centers.

North Carolina State Law regarding controlled substances states the following:

- Possession-Marijuana

- Possession of less than 1 1/2 ounces of marijuana is a misdemeanor criminal offense. Conviction will result in a permanent criminal record and subject the defendant to a maximum fine of \$100 and court costs. Second and subsequent convictions include imprisonment for up to 30 days and fines.

- Possession-Cocaine/Crack

- Possession of cocaine in any quantity up to 28 grams is a Class I felony punishable by imprisonment up to five years and/or fine. Possession of 28 grams, but less than 200 grams is "trafficking in cocaine" and is punishable by a minimum imprisonment of seven years, up to 15 years and a minimum fine of \$50,000.

- Possession-L.S.D.

- Possession of any quantity of L.S.D. up to 100 dosage units is a Class I felony punishable by imprisonment for up to five years and/or fine.

- Possession of 100, but less than 500 dosage units of L.S.D. is "trafficking in lysergic acid diethylamide," and is punishable by a minimum seven-year imprisonment, up to 15 years and a minimum fine of \$25,000.

- Possession-Methamphetamine

- Possession of any quantity of methamphetamine up to 28 grams is a Class I felony punishable by imprisonment for up to five years and/or fine.

- Possession-Drug Paraphernalia

- Possession of drug paraphernalia is a misdemeanor criminal offense punishable by imprisonment up to one year and/or fine up to \$500.

- Drug paraphernalia is summarily defined as all equipment, products, and materials of any kind used to facilitate planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, manufacturing, converting, processing, preparing, packaging, storing, concealing or used to facilitate injecting, ingesting, inhaling or otherwise introducing into the body, a controlled substance.

- The following are examples of drug paraphernalia. This list is not totally inclusive: scales, balances, sandwich baggies and their corners, roach clips, carburetor pipes, pipes using screens, water pipes, homemade pipes, film canisters, diluents, bongs, sifters, syringes, spoons, chamber pipes, and any other equipment, products or materials that can be linked directly to the usage of controlled substances.

In addition to the college sanctions listed below, students found in possession of an illegal drug will be turned over to the campus police pursuant to the appropriate North Carolina General Statute.

Jurisdiction-Administrative

Sanction-Misdemeanor: 25 hours community service,

probation, for two semesters, required assessment

by college counsel -Felony or 2nd Offense Misdemeanor: Dismissal

Health Risks Related to Alcohol and Illegal Drug Use

- The use or abuse of alcohol and other drugs increase the risk for a number of health related and other medical, behavioral, and social problems. These include acute health problems related to intoxication or overdose (blackouts, convulsions, coma, death); physical and psychological dependence; malnutrition; long-term health problems, including cirrhosis of the liver, organic brain damage, high blood pressure, heart disease, ulcers, and cancer of the liver and mouth, throat and stomach; contracting diseases such as AIDS, through the sharing of hypodermic needles; pregnancy problems including miscarriages, still births and learning disabilities; fetal alcohol syndrome (physical and mental birth defects); psychological or psychiatric problems; diminished behavior (hangovers, hallucinations, disorientation, slurred speech); unusual or

inappropriate risk-taking, which may result in physical or emotional injury, or death; violent behavior toward others, such as assaults and rape; accidents caused by operating machinery while impaired; impaired driving resulting in alcohol and drug-related arrest, traffic accidents, injuries, and fatalities; negative effects on academic or work performance; conflicts with co-workers, classmates, family, friends, and others; conduct problems resulting in disciplinary actions, including dismissal; and legal problems including imprisonment. Underage alcohol consumption is a major contributing factor in the leading causes of death among persons 15-21 years old, including auto crashes, homicides, suicides and other trauma.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

Montreat College encourages any student with a substance abuse and/or dependency problem to contact the college nurse and/or the college counselor. The college provides education and prevention programs concerning the use and abuse of drugs and alcohol. Confidentiality will be maintained. Support groups are available both on and off campus.