Northampton Community College

BETHLEHEM CAMPUS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES QUICK REFERENCE

WHAT TO DO IN AN EMERGENCY: Call Public Safety (610) 861 – 5588 or 911

Emergency Alerts

- Sign up for NCC Alerts, Emergency Text and Email Notifications at: http://webapp.northampton.edu/alerts/
- Weather Emergencies
- Campus Closings
- Campus Emergencies

Fire

- Sound any available fire alarm
- Call Public Safety at ext. 5588 or 911
- o Give your Name
- Location
- o The exact problem
- If the fire is small, attempt to extinguish with a fire extinguisher (ONLY IF COMFORTABLE)
- If the fire is larger, evacuate the building via the nearest fire exit
- Do Not Panic or Run
- Use the stairwells/Do Not Use the Elevators

Radiation/Chemical Spill

- Call Public Safety at ext. 5588 with the following information:
- o Type of chemical, if known
- o Any individuals contaminated
- o Extent of injuries
- Location of incident
- o Name and Title of caller
- Pull the fire alarm and evacuate the building
- Once outside, remain at least 500 feet away from the building

Active Attacker

• Run

- Have an escape route and plan in mind
- Make sure it is safe to leave the area you are in.
 Use your eyes and ears to determine if it is safe to run.
- o Leave your belongings behind
- Keep your hands visible
- One in a safe place, call police and give detailed information about what is happening. Do not assume someone else has already called the police.

• Hide

- o If unable to run from the danger, your second option should be to hide.
- Find a place that is out of the attacker's sight and remain quiet.
- Do not huddle together, because it makes an easier target.
- o Make sure your cell phone is on silent
- Shut off lights
- Lock and barricade doors with whatever is available, such as desks, chairs, or door wedges.

Fight

- Fighting is a last resort to be used only when your life is in imminent danger.
- Find an object to use as a weapon, such as a fire extinguisher, backpack, book or chair.
- Attempt to incapacitate the attacker; commit to our actions; work with others to disable the assailant.
- Everyone can help make the campus a safe place by promptly reporting suspicious activities

Bomb Threat

- Remain calm
- If you notice a suspicious object or potential bomb on campus: Do Not Handle the Object!
- Clear the area
- Call Public Safety at ext. 5588
- o Give your Name
- Location

building

- o Give an exact description of the object
- Evacuate
- o Walk quickly to the nearest exit
- o If unable to use the elevators, use the stairs
- Once outside move at least 500 ft. from the

O DO NOT RE-ENTER THE BUILDING

- If you receive a phone call about a bomb threat, attempt to ask the caller:
- When is the bomb going to explode?
- Where is the bomb located?
- What kind of bomb is it?
- What does it look like?
- o Why did you place the bomb?
- Continue talking to the caller as long as possible and record the following information:
- o Time of call
- Age and gender of caller
- Speech patterns or accents
- Emotional state of the caller
- Any background noise

Severe Weather/Tornado

- Move to the lowest level in the building:
- College Center: 1st floor classrooms/hallways
- O Richardson Hall: Basement & classrooms
- O Alumni Hall: Service hallway by 110 & 130
- o SENC: 128A & restrooms
- Communications, Hartzell, Penn & Reibman Hall: Center hallways & classrooms
- Kopecek Hall: 1st floor hallways
- o Commonwealth Hall: Inside hallways by 133
- o Residence Hall: 1st floor hallway and mailroom
- Stay away from doors, windows & outside walls
- Avoid auditoriums, cafeterias & gymnasiums

Medical Emergency

- If a serious injury or illness occurs on campus call Public Safety at ext. 5588
- Provide the Dispatcher with as much information as possible about the injured person and your location
- o Public Safety will contact 911 as needed
- All Public Safety personnel are trained in CPR/AED
- Do Not move an injured person
- Stay with the injured person and keep them as comfortable as possible until help arrives

Earthquake/Natural Disaster

- If you are in a building, move away from windows and try to position yourself in a doorway or under a desk/table if possible
- When safe to do so evacuate the building
- Use stairways during the evacuation/DO NOT USE ELEVATORS
- Contact Public Safety to report injuries or entrapment at ext. 5588