

Crime Alert

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The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act is a federal law that requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on and around their campuses. A requirement of this law is timely notification to the campus community of certain crimes in a manner that will aid in the prevention of similar crimes.

On 9/14/16 the University Police Department was made aware of a sexual assault involving two WTAMU students. The reporting person indicated the female subject was sexually assaulted in the male subject's room of a WTAMU resident hall late in the evening of 9/13/16. The subjects are known to each other; however, not in a dating relationship.

The alleged incident has been reported to the WTAMU Title IX Coordinator and University and area resources have been made available to the victim.

Sexual assault is never the fault of the victim. While nothing is failsafe, here are some suggestions everyone may want to consider:

- *Make sure you have consent. Consent is a clear and freely given yes, not the absence of a no.*
- *People who are incapacitated by alcohol or drugs cannot give consent.*
- *Practice being assertive about your boundaries.*
- *Trust your instincts. If you feel uneasy or sense something is wrong, call for assistance.*
- *Be active in supporting a safe and respectful community. If you see others engaging in disrespectful or inappropriate actions, speak up and get involved, or contact someone else to assist.*