

# 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 2/26/16 a female WT student reported to the University Police Department that her car had been stolen from a campus parking area. Further information was provided that her personal identifying information and her car keys were stolen from a different vehicle belonging to a friend while parked in Amarillo in the early hours of 2/26/16. After making a report with the Amarillo Police Department and upon returning to campus she discovered her vehicle missing.

It is believed the suspects that stole her identifying information and keys drove to the WTAMU campus searching the parking areas until they identified her vehicle and left campus in the vehicle without authorized use.

A report was taken for Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle and is actively being investigated.

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## ***Take precautions/Protect your property!***

- *Take, Lock, Hide: The basic crime fighting tool to preventing burglary of a motor vehicle.*
- *Don't place valuables in open view (including keys). Many of the thefts from motor vehicles are "Smash and Grabs". Suspects smash a window to grab an item they see in plain view.*
- *Stolen items are easily and quickly converted to cash and stolen vehicles may be used to commit other crimes*