PERSONAL SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU:

✓ Trust your instincts.
✓ Show confidence in yourself.
✓ Stay alert to your surroundings.

THEFT PREVENTION:

✓ NEVER leave personal items unattended or unsecured.

CLEAN OUT YOUR PURSE OR WALLET:

✓ Limit credit cards / Try to only carry one credit card if possible.
✓ Do not carry your Social Security Card in your wallet or purse.
✓ Limit the amount of cash on your person.
✓ Make sure your keys are always easily accessible.

ALWAYS HAVE THE CELL PHONE HANDY:

✓ Make sure it is completely charged before going out.
✓ Have emergency numbers and contacts programmed into your phone.

MAINTAIN AND CLEAN YOUR VEHICLE:

✓ Clean inside and out – this will make your vehicle less vulnerable to criminals.
✓ Always place valuables and bought items in your trunk.
✓ Always maintain your vehicle (tire pressure, fluids, etc.).
✓ Never leave vehicle parked in one area for a long period of time.

RESIDENCE HALLS:

✓ Never leave posted notes on your door.
✓ Never leave your door or window unlocked or propped open.
✓ Never invite unknown guests to your room.
✓ Always lock up valuables in your room.

PARKING YOUR VEHICLE:

✓ Park your vehicle so it will be easy for you to find.
✓ Park your vehicle in a well-lit area at night.
✓ Lock all doors and roll all windows up before exiting.
✓ Scan the area while exiting or entering your vehicle.
✓ Always walk with a purpose and with confidence; make eye-to-eye contact with anyone in close proximity; Never act lost!
✓ Have your keys in your hand ready to open the door when approaching your vehicle.
✓ Try to have free hands from book bags, etc.
✓ When you enter your car, lock the doors, and quickly and safely exit the parking lot.

WALKING ON COLLEGE PROPERTY:

✓ Avoid isolated areas.
✓ Learn the geography and routes.
✓ Dress sensible – avoid flashy and expensive clothing or purses.
✓ Learn where the Emergency phones are located.
✓ Use the buddy system (walking with others) when walking at night.

WALKING IN CROSSWALKS AND INTERSECTIONS:

✓ Watch for each car as it approaches to ensure it stops (eye contact).
✓ Take earphones and earplugs out of ears.
✓ Do not text while crossing a road.
✓ Get off the phone!

REPORT TO POLICE:

✓ Any suspicious person or activities.
✓ If you witness a crime.

Do not be afraid to Call or Text 911!