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- I. Members of Rio Hondo College who are witnesses or victims of a crime should immediately report the crime to District Security Office and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Pico Rivera Office.
- II. In the event an employee is assaulted, attacked, or menaced by a student, the employee shall notify his or her supervisor as soon as practical after the incident. The supervisor of any employee who is attacked, assaulted, or menaced shall assist the employee to promptly report the attack or assault to the District Security Office and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Pico Rivera Office. The supervisor himself or herself shall make the report if the employee is unable or unwilling to do so. Reporting a complaint to local law enforcement will not relieve the District of its obligation to investigate all complaints of harassment.
- III. The District shall publish warnings to the campus community about the following crimes:
  - Criminal homicide – murder and non-negligent manslaughter;
  - Criminal homicide – negligent manslaughter;
  - Sex offenses – forcible and non-forcible sex offenses;
  - Domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;
  - Robbery;
  - Aggravated assault;
  - Burglary;
  - Motor vehicle theft;
  - Arson;
  - Arrests for liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession;
  - Persons who were not arrested for liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession, but who were referred for campus disciplinary action for same;
  - Crimes that manifest evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the victim's actual or perceived race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, or disability and involve larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, destruction/damage/vandalism of property, or any other crime involving bodily injury;
  - Crimes reported to the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Pico Rivera Station; and
  - Crimes that are considered to represent a continuing threat to other students and employees.
- IV. In the event that a situation arises on campus or any District property that, in the judgment of the Director of Facilities, constitutes an ongoing or continuing threat, a campus-wide "timely warning" will be issued. The warning will be issued through the college e-mail system to students, faculty, staff, and the campus' student newspaper. The

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- information shall be disseminated by the Director of Marketing and Communications in a manner that aids the prevention of similar crimes.
- V. Depending on the particular circumstances of the crime, especially in all situations that could pose an immediate threat to the community and individuals, the Director of Marketing and Communications may also post a notice on the campus-wide electronic bulletin board and on the Website at: [www.riohondo.edu](http://www.riohondo.edu) providing the community with more immediate notification. The electronic bulletin board is immediately accessible via computer by all faculty, staff, and students. Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should report the circumstances to Security by phone (562) 463-3490.
- VI. The District shall not be required to provide a timely warning with respect to crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor.
- VII. If there is an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees occurring on campus, the District shall follow its emergency notification procedures.
- VIII. The District shall annually collect and distribute statistics concerning crimes on District property. All college staff with significant responsibility for student and campus activities shall report crimes about which they receive information. Employees who, in good faith, reported such activities and/or assisted the District in the investigation will be protected from retaliation.
- IX. The District shall publish an Annual Security Report every year by October 1 that contains statistics regarding crimes committed on District property for the previous three years. The Annual Security Report shall also include policies pertaining to campus security, alcohol and drug use, crime prevention, the reporting of crimes, sexual assault, victims' assistance program, student discipline, campus resources, and other matters. The District shall make the report available to all current students and employees. The District will also provide perspective students and employees with a copy of the Annual Security Report upon request. A copy of the Annual Security Report can be obtained by contacting Facilities Service, Room MT102, 3600 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA 90601 or at the Website address published at [www.riohondo.edu/facilities/security](http://www.riohondo.edu/facilities/security).
- X. To Report a Crime:  
Employees should contact Campus Security at (562) 463-3490 (non-emergencies) and dial 9-1-1 (emergencies only). Any suspicious activity or person seen in the parking lots or loitering around vehicles or inside buildings should be reported to the Pico Rivera Sheriff's Station. In addition, crimes may be reported to the following areas:
- Dean, Student Affairs
  - Executive Dean, Counseling & Student Equity or Dean, Counseling & Student Equity
  - Coordinator, Student Health Services

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- Executive Director, Human Resources
- XI. The District does not allow victims or witnesses to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics. The District may disclose to a victim the final results of disciplinary proceedings of an alleged perpetrator of a crime of violence or a non-forcible sex offense, regardless of the outcome. The District may also disclose to anyone the final results of a disciplinary proceeding in which it concludes that a student violated District policy with respect to a crime of violence or non-forcible sex offense. The offenses that apply to this permissible disclosure are:
- Arson;
  - Assault offenses;
  - Burglary;
  - Criminal homicide – manslaughter by negligence;
  - Criminal homicide – murder and non-negligent manslaughter;
  - Destruction, damage, or vandalism of property;
  - Kidnapping or abduction;
  - Robbery;
  - Forcible sex offenses.
- XII. The disclosure may only include the final result of the disciplinary proceeding with respect to the alleged criminal offense. The District shall not disclose the name of any other student, including a victim or witness, unless the victim or witness has waived his or her right to confidentiality.
- XIII. **Required Reports to Local Law Enforcement Agency (CCLC)**  
Any report of willful homicide, forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault, sexual assault, or hate crime, committed on District property, that is received by a campus security authority and made by the victim for the purposes of notifying the District or law enforcement must be immediately, or as soon as practicably possible, disclosed to the local law enforcement agency. The report shall not identify the victim, unless the victim consents to being identified after the victim has been informed of his/her right to have his/her personally identifying information withheld. If the victim does not consent to being identified, the alleged assailant shall not be identified in the information disclosed to the local law enforcement agency unless the institution determines that both of the following apply, in which case the institution shall disclose the identity of the alleged assailant to the local law enforcement agency and notify the victim of the disclosure:
- the alleged assailant represents a serious or ongoing threat to the safety of students, employees, or the institution; and
  - the immediate assistance of the local law enforcement agency is necessary to contact or detain the assailant.

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- XIV. Reference:  
Penal Code Section 245;  
Education Code Section 212; 87014;  
The Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting  
U.S. Department of Education  
Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics  
Act of 1998;  
20 U.S.C. § 1232g;  
34 C.F.R. 668.46; 34 C.F.R. 99.31(a)(13), (14);  
Campus Security Act of 1990