

# Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act

## Safety and Security

Safety and security are given the highest priorities at Sacramento City College (SCC). Although the Los Rios Police Department (LRPD) has a major role in promoting a safe learning environment, safety and security is everyone's responsibility. SCC takes a proactive approach to safety that promotes awareness and prevention and students, staff, and faculty form a strong partnership to reduce the opportunity for criminal/anti-social activities.

The LRPD patrols the campus 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Los Rios police officers are P.O.S.T. certified and are sworn peace officers as defined by section 830.32 of the California Penal Code and under California Education Code 72330. Officers have the authority to make arrests for violations and the authority to conduct investigations. In addition, officers enforce traffic and parking regulations, detect and report safety/fire hazards, and promote crime prevention. All police officers are first aid and CPR certified.

## Los Rios Police Department Contact Information

The Police Department Office hours are from 8:00AM- 5:00PM Monday-Friday, however, the campus is patrolled and the Police Communications Center is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. To report a crime or request assistance, call (916) 558-2221 (or just 2221 if using a campus phone) and there are also numerous emergency phones located throughout the campus.

## Services

**Personal Safety Escorts.** Officers or student patrols will provide safety escorts to any campus location upon request (i.e. from the main campus to a parking lot).

**Emergency Automotive Assistance.** While not mechanics, LRPD officers are equipped and trained to start cars with dead batteries or unlock non-electric car locks when keys have been left inside the automobile. Proper identification is required.

**Crime Prevention.** The key to crime prevention is awareness gained through education. The LRPD provides crime prevention training upon request. Some events such as Sexual Assault Awareness Workshops are conducted each semester.

**Lost and Found** is located at the Police Department. Items can be picked up/dropped of during business hours (Mon-Fri/8:00AM-5:00PM)

Emergency Telephones located throughout the campus are linked directly to the Police Communications Center. Use these phones to report crimes in progress, suspicious individuals or circumstances, or for any other serious or emergency situation.

Restraining Orders will be enforced by the Los Rios Police Department. A copy of the order must be on file. Contact the LRPD for specific information.

Parking information is available at the Police Department. Days and hours of permit enforcement are Monday through Thursday 7:00AM to 11:00PM, Friday, 7:00AM-5:00PM whenever classes are in session. Disabled parking, red and green zones, and overnight parking are enforced at all times.

Lock Removal (i.e. padlocks from lockers) can be requested by contacting the Police Communications Center. Proof of ownership/assignment and valid identification is required.

## Campus Security Act of 1990

The Campus Security Act of 1990 (20 USC 1092 [Clery Act]) requires that all colleges and universities receiving Title IV student aid assistance prepare and distribute an annual report (Clery Report) which sets forth its policies on crime prevention issues and gives statistics on the number of specific crimes which occur on campus and other defined locations and the number of arrests on campus for liquor law and drug abuse violations, and weapons possession. In addition, the act requires colleges and universities to provide timely warnings to the campus community of certain crimes reported to law enforcement, which may represent a continued threat to other students and employees.

Annually, before October 1st, the Clery Report is published for public dissemination. This data is sent electronically to all students, staff, and faculty and is also available on the SCC Web site under the Los Rios Police Department (LRPD). In addition, selected information, as well as the specific link to the report (<http://wserver.crc.losrios.edu/~police/Resources/annualcleryreport.pdf>) is published in a variety of publications including the College Catalog and Schedule of Classes. Hard copies of the Clery Report can be obtained from the Los Rios Police Department located at the base of the parking structure (main entrance off of Sutterville Road).

## Visitors to the College

Visitors are welcome to visit the campus at any time during business hours. Parking is available in all student lots. Restrictions are enforced Monday through Friday, and a valid permit must be displayed.

Ordinarily, individuals are not permitted to attend classes unless they are enrolled students. In exceptional circumstances, visitors may be permitted to visit a class, but only with the permission of the instructor conducting the class.

## Student Right-to-Know Disclosure

In compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990, completion and transfer rates for students attending Sacramento City College can be found on the California Community College State Chancellor's Office web site at <http://srtk.cccco.edu/index.asp>.