



# Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary

## Safety Plan

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### **Campus Security Authority Personnel**

1. Chief of Campus Police
2. Assistant Chief of Campus Police
3. Lieutenant
4. Police Officers (11)
5. Vice President of Academic Administration/ Provost
6. Vice President for Strategic Initiatives/ Chief of Staff
7. Associate Vice President of Institutional Effectiveness
8. Director of Housing
9. Dean of Students
10. Dean of L.R. Scarborough College
11. Dean of Women
12. Director of Student Life and all resident assistants

Campus Police has responsibility for security, and risk management. The Chief of Campus Police reports to the President of the Seminary.

The Campus Police Department consists of about 20 personnel including dispatchers and 14 Police Officers.

Police officers and Dispatchers are on duty 24/7 and all Officers are certified in first aid and CPR. We monitor the campus by CCTV and officers patrol the campus by car, bicycle, and foot.

The Campus Police Department works collaboratively with other campus authority personnel to provide the safest possible environment for all campus members.

We maintain an excellent working relationship with local authorities. This includes the Fort Worth Police Department, Fort Worth Fire Department, and other government agencies.

### **Description of Information Programs**

Southwestern Seminary (SWBTS) has developed policies and procedures, offers educational programs and cooperates with local law enforcement agencies to enhance the safety and security of students, employees, and guests. Additional information on security and safety policies can be found in the Student Handbook, by calling Campus Police at extension # 8888, or by visiting the SWBTS website at [www.swbts.edu/offices/campus-police-department/](http://www.swbts.edu/offices/campus-police-department/). Campus Police also offer numerous safety programs on campus. These include CPR/1st Aid/AED training, new student orientation, crime prevention, and student leader training. Training is also provided as it relates to emergency messaging and notifications in the event of major crimes or other incidents.

We use the School Messenger emergency notification system for emergency and other notifications affecting the campus.

Crime Prevention information is made available at the beginning of each semester during student orientation. Our website is also a good source of information related to crime prevention and other security related matters.

## **Statements of Policies and Procedures**

It is the policy of SWBTS to issue a timely notice to the campus community of any crime reported to Campus Police or to the local police department, and which we are made aware of, that presents a safety or security threat.

## **For Security Considerations in Facilities Maintenance**

The Facilities and Maintenance Department regularly monitors all campus facilities for necessary safety and security-related repairs and partners closely with the Campus Police Department to assist in creating a safer campus community. To request service for an electrical, plumbing, or other maintenance-related problems, call the Facilities Maintenance line at 817-923-1921, ext 2290 or fill out a request at [www.swbts.edu/offices/facilities-maintenance/services/](http://www.swbts.edu/offices/facilities-maintenance/services/)

## **Safety tips when using Lyft/Uber:**

- 1) TRAVEL IN PAIRS: Travel with a friend – the “safety in numbers” concept really works, especially if your judgment is impaired.
- 2) VERIFY YOUR DRIVER AND CAR: Once you have requested a Lyft/Uber ride, you can view the driver’s rating. When your ride arrives, make sure the driver’s photo, license plate number, and vehicle description match. Never take a ride you did not request or get into a car that doesn’t match the details provided by the Lyft app.
- 3) GO THE EXTRA MILE: The Lyft/Uber app’s “share your ETA” function allows you to invite friends to see your trip in real-time. The app will draft a text message you can share with friends that includes your ETA and a link to a live map that allows them to track your trip. Too much effort? Call a friend and stay on the line while you’re in the car instead.

## **What to Do in the Event of an Active Shooter or Other Emergency?**

RUN. HIDE. FIGHT

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VcSwejU2D0>

## **Report Concerning Behavior**

SWBTS has a Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT) in place to help all members of the SWBTS community deal with any form of concerning behavior.

Concerning behavior may be most simply defined as any type of threatening or intimidating behavior which causes another person to be concerned for that person’s well-being or the well-being of another.

The goal of SWBTS BIT is to address concerning behavior utilizing a fact based approach to assess and if necessary, implement an integrated plan of action. The BIT utilizes available resources to alleviate and/or mitigate any concerning behavior to the benefit of the individual and the entire SWBTS community.

The BIT is comprised of the Director of H.R., Dean of Students, the Chief of Campus Police, the Dean of Women, and the Director of Housing.

To report concerning behavior you may contact any of these individuals directly. You may also

leave an anonymous voice mail at (817)921-8733 or you may send an email to [bit@swbts.edu](mailto:bit@swbts.edu). If you have any questions or concerns regarding SWBTS BIT please do not hesitate to contact any of the listed team members.

### **Availability, Location, and Methods to Summon Law Enforcement Assistance**

The SWBTS Campus Police Department provides 24-hour service to protect and render aid to the SWBTS. Police Dispatch can be reached directly 24 hours a day by phone at (817) 921-8888. The SWBTS Police Department is located at in the first floor of Fort Worth Hall, located in the front of the campus next to the B.H. Carroll Memorial Building. <https://swbts.edu/sites/default/files/images/content/campusMap.jpg>

#### **By Telephone Contact:**

- SWBTS Campus Police: (817) 921-8888
- FWPd: 9-1-1
- FWPd non-emergency: 817-392-4222

#### **In Person Contact:**

- SWBTS Campus Police Location: First floor of Fort Worth Hall next to B.H. Carroll Memorial Building.
- Campus Police Desk: Located in the first floor Fort Worth Hall.

### **Crime Reporting**

The SWBTS community is strongly encouraged to report all known or suspected incidents of criminal activity on campus to the SWBTS Campus Police Department as soon as possible. When calling the SWBTS Campus Police Department always:

- Provide your name, telephone number and location
- Give clear accurate information
- Be prepared to supply suspect and vehicle description, and direction of travel
- DO NOT HANG UP! Follow the instructions of the Dispatcher

### **Security and Access to Campus Facilities**

All campus Facilities are key-accessed and/or on electronic access control. Most buildings are open daily for scheduled campus community use. Campus key control and distribution are a function of the SWBTS Campus Police Department.

