

Section 12.00
MISSING RESIDENTIAL STUDENT NOTIFICATION POLICY

STATEMENT

UMBC complies with the missing person provision of the Higher Education Amendments. The UMBC Missing Residential Student Notification Policy addresses the University's notification, to a person designated by the Residential Student, in the event that he or she is believed to be missing.

Designating a Missing Person Contact - Students who reside in an on-campus housing facility have the right to confidentially register the name and contact information of an individual who they would like to have contacted if UMBC Police determine that they have been missing for a period of 24 hours or more. Such registered contact information will be accessible only to authorized campus officials (confidential) and will not be disclosed except to law enforcement personnel in furtherance of a missing person investigation. Residential Students will be given the opportunity to designate their Missing Person Contact upon check-in to an on-campus housing facility. The form to fill out is only available to residential students and is completed during the "check-in" process.

Reporting a Missing Residential Student - Typically, a student should not be reported missing unless 24 hours has passed without contact. Circumstances may exist that cause an immediate report. Any concern that a Residential Student is missing should be directed to University Police at 410.455.5555 or to Residential Life staff at any of the 24-hour-staffed desks. Residential Life staff will immediately contact the University Police, who will respond and determine whether to classify the Residential Student as a missing person.

Notification - Within 24 hours of a Residential Student being classified by University Police to be missing: (1) the University will notify the Designated Missing Person Contact, (2) if the missing student is under the age of 18 and not emancipated, the University will also notify the student's legal parent/guardian, and (3) the University Police will inform other law enforcement agencies through the NCIC Missing Person teletype.

Staff training on Missing Student Policies

Training and policy for missing students are found in the [Emergency Response Guide](#) for Resident Assistants.

Note: Safety: All students should share their finalized schedules with family, friends, and/or roommates as part of their personal safety plans.