

### **3/2/2019 – Timely Warning**

A sexual assault of a female student has been reported to have occurred on campus early on the morning of March 2<sup>nd</sup> just after midnight. Police have information indicating the assault occurred in Pearce Hall. The suspect is described as late teens or early 20s, black male between 5' 6" and 5' 8", slender build with short black hair.

The suspect was seen earlier in the night off campus at a Kappa Sigma party. Anyone who may have information on this assault please contact EWU Police at 359-7676, or call the Anonymous Tip Line at 359-4286.

#### **Safety Tips from EWU Police Department**

Crime victims are never at fault for being victimized. Perpetrators alone are responsible for crimes and their effects. EWU Police offer the following suggestions that may help reduce the possibility of experiencing a crime:

- Lock your residence hall room. This is the best deterrent available to protect your property and yourself.
- It is a crime to intentionally touch someone without his or her consent, regardless of the situation.
- Bystanders should try to be aware of their surroundings, and if there are signs of a person in distress, bystanders should make themselves known and offer assistance if it is safe to do so, and/or seek immediate help from police.
- Every person and situation is different; survivors must decide for themselves what actions or responses are safest in any situation. If someone attempts to grab you, you have the right to yell "NO" loudly, or do whatever is necessary to get the person to let go, and flee to a safe place and seek help. When safe, try to remember as much as possible about the person's appearance and behavior.
- Students may contact EWUPD for an on-campus safety escort (509.359-7676).
- For emergencies, or if you see a crime being committed, call 9-1-1. To report suspicious, illegal or unusual activity on campus, call EWUPD at 509.359.7676.

#### **Resources Available for Survivors**

- Dean of Students – 509.359.7924
- CAPS (counselors on campus) – 509.359.2366, 225 MAR
- Title IX Coordinator – 509.359.2021
- Lutheran Community Services Crisis Line (24/7) – 509.624.7273
- YWCA Domestic Violence Crisis Line (24/7) – 509.326.2255
- First Call for Help – Suicide (24/7) – 509.838.4428
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