

# **EMERGENCY QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE**

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### **EVACUATION ASSEMBLY AREA**

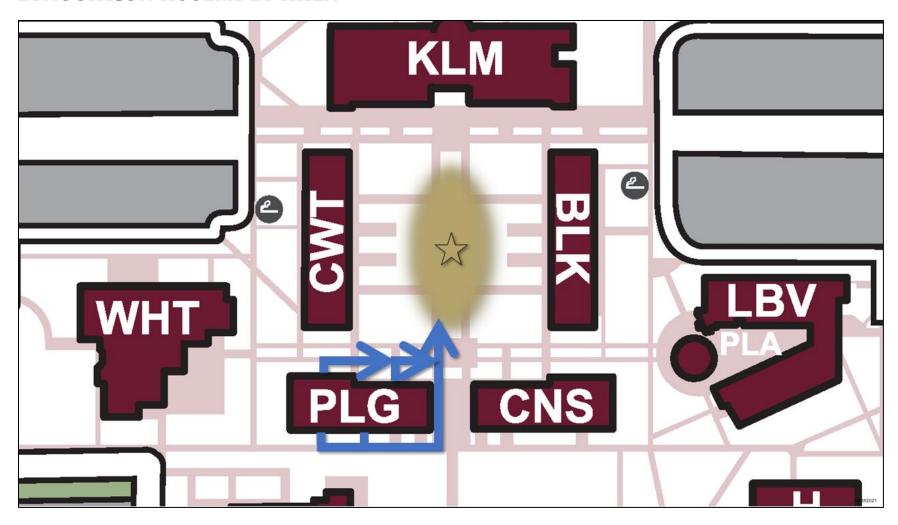
Area by TAMIU Fountain

### **AED LOCATION**

First floor by elevator

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# **EVACUATION ASSEMBLY AREA**



# **PROCEDURES**



- 1. Dial 911 or x2911 (956-326-2911) for University Police to report fire location and extent.
- 2. Activate fire alarm to alert building occupants.
- Evacuate the building, using nearest available exit\*.
- 4. Head to your building's evacuation assembly area.
- 5. Do not re-enter building until given "all clear" by University Police.

\*If unable to evacuate due to a disability or mobility impairment, assemble in your closest enclosed stairwell with a buddy and call **911** to report your location.



- 1. If anyone brings a weapon into a campus building and begins using it maliciously, dial 911 or x2911 (956-326-2911) for University Police. Stay on the line with the dispatcher if possible.
- 2. Remember:
  - a. RUN
    - i. Leave the area immediately.
    - ii. Run in the opposite direction of the disturbance or gunshots.
    - iii. DO NOT stop running until you are in a safe area.
  - b. HIDE
    - i. Remain quiet.

- ii. Lock your door and barricade the entrance using furniture and other items.
- iii. Turn off all lights and call 911 or 956-326-2911.

#### c. FIGHT

- i. Prepare to defend yourself and others.
- ii. Fight only as a last resort.
- iii. Improvise weapons with the intent of distracting and disrupting the shooter.

#### d. COMPLY

- i. When law enforcement arrives:
  - 1. Remain calm and follow instructions.
  - 2. Drop any items in your hands.
  - 3. Raise your hands and keep them visible at all times.
  - 4. Do not yell, scream, or point.



- Check for safe conditions in area and assess victim.
- 2. Dial **911** or **x2911** (**956-326-2911**) for University Police. Provide essential information, follow Dispatcher's instructions, and remain on the line.
- 3. While waiting, render whatever aid you can to victim and send someone to meet emergency personnel.



- Make sure the scene is safe.
- 2. Dial **911** or **x2911** (**956-326-2911**) for University Police and report location of spill. University PD will contact Physical Plant and Environmental Health and Safety (EHS).

- 3. If possible, alert others of spill and stay clear of area.
- 4. Do NOT attempt to clean spill if dealing with unknown substance.



If severe weather (lightning, tornado, hurricane, windstorm) is reported or seen in area:

- 1. Seek shelter immediately, preferably away from windows. A middle hall/corridor is best.
- 2. Listen for emergency info through TAMIU's mass notification system, DustyALRT.
- 3. Seek shelter until hazard has passed.
- 4. If trapped, dial 911 or x2911 (956-326-2911) for University PD.



If you believe someone may be missing, dial **911** or **x2911** (**956-326-2911**) for University Police. Stay on the line with Dispatchers if possible.



If you encounter wildlife on campus:

Stay away (animals are not domesticated)

#### 2. Do not feed animals

If you encounter an injured/abandoned animal, do not approach, or touch it. Please report snakes to Physical Plant by dialing x2325 (956-326-2325).



Report any issues related to water, electricity, natural gas, elevator impairments to TAMIU's Physical Plant by dialing x2325 (956-326-2325) or UPD by dialing x2100 or 956-326-2100.

# **DEFINITIONS**

**Emergency Assembly Area** – A safer area outside of and sufficiently away from a nearby building, serving as a centralized location in which occupants should assemble for their safety. These are typically grouped with other buildings such that occupants from multiple locations can assemble in one area as a group.

**Fire Alarm Pull Stations** – Devices installed near exit doors and the ends of hallway corridors used to active the building's fire alarm.

Note: Activation of the fire alarm does not activate a building's sprinkler system.

# **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**

Emergency Services: 911

| TAMIU Offices        |                                      |                           |                      |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| University Police    | 956-326- <b>2911</b> (emergency)     | Office of Student Success | 956-326- <b>2273</b> |
| Department           | 956-326- <b>2100</b> (non-emergency) |                           |                      |
| Physical Plant       | 956-326- <b>2325</b>                 | Human Resources           | 956-326- <b>2365</b> |
| Environmental Health | 956-326- <b>2194</b>                 | Student Health Services   | 956-326- <b>2235</b> |
| & Safety             |                                      |                           |                      |

## **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION METHODS**

TAMIU may use one or more of the following methods to deliver emergency notifications:











# **FIRE & LIFE SAFETY REGULATIONS**

The following fire safety regulations are in affect at TAMIU in accordance with local, state, and federal fire safety regulations and applicable A&M System policies.

#### The following items are prohibited in campus buildings

- Heat-generating appliances (e.g., space heaters, heating lamps)
  - Exception: Heating plates used in lab settings
- Candles or other open flames
  - Exception: Bunsen burners used in lab settings
- Flammable liquids (e.g., gasoline, diesel fuel, propane, butane)
  - Exception: Related items stored in original container and in appropriate storage cabinet in lab settings
- Extension cords used for permanent applications (i.e., other than temporary use >8 hours)
- Electrical cord daisy-chaining (includes power strips)
- Indoor charging of electronic recreational scooters, bicycles, or other related items

#### The following must always remain accessible and/or unobstructed:

Fire extinguishers

- Fire alarm pull stations
- Electrical panels
- Emergency notification devices
- Smoke detectors
- EXIT signs
- Emergency lights
- Fire hydrants
- Fire suppression sprinklers
  - Minimum of 18" clearance from ceiling to any object below
- Hallways
- Stairwells (including under/behind stairwells)
- Self-closing fire doors

#### Please also keep in mind the following:

- Keep clutter to a minimum (including artificial vegetation).
- Avoid hanging items from sprinkler heads or other fire protection/detection equipment.
- No smoking in any campus building
- No departmental storage in mechanical rooms
- Compressed gas cylinders must be properly secured at all times
- Connect large appliances directly to the wall (i.e., avoid using power strip(s))
- Do not tamper with any fire protection/detection devices (e.g., smoke detectors)