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## **2024 Annual Security Report**

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## **Introduction**

This report is issued in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act. It aims to equip students and employees of Kansas Health Science University (KHSU)-Kansas College of Osteopathic Medicine (KansasCOM), the (“College”) with essential information concerning our campus safety measures. Covered in this document are the College’s security arrangements, relevant policies and procedures, as well as educational programs on topics like drug and alcohol abuse, sex offense awareness, and general crime prevention. Additionally, it outlines the College’s protocols for communicating with the campus community during emergencies. The goal of this report is to empower our students and staff with the knowledge necessary to enhance their personal safety and the security of others.

## **Policy for Preparing the Annual Report**

This report is compiled by the KHSU-KansasCOM Executive Director of Facilities and Security, Sean Wallace, in collaboration with local law enforcement and campus security authorities, along with input from various college departments. Annually, we notify all current students, faculty, and staff via email about the availability of this report, providing a link to access it online. Prospective students and employees will also be informed about where to find this report. For those who prefer a physical copy, it can be obtained free of charge by contacting Sean Wallace at 316-315-5640 or visiting our office at 217 E. Douglas Ave., Wichita, KS 67202. KHSU-KansasCOM is dedicated to maintaining a secure campus environment by implementing best practices in safety and security, which are continually assessed and updated to ensure they meet the highest standards of effectiveness. As a valued member of our community, you can take comfort in knowing that these robust security measures are in place to ensure your safety and well-being.

## **General Safety and Security Policies**

### **Campus Security Personnel & Relationship with Local Law Enforcement**

The Campus Security Department at KHSU-KansasCOM plays a pivotal role in ensuring the safety of the College community. Our team comprises certified law enforcement officers who serve as off-duty Wichita Police Officers. The Executive Director of Facilities and Security is both a retired municipal police officer and a retired federal police advisor. These off-duty Wichita Police Officers possess full authority to carry firearms, make arrests, and investigate crimes on campus, non-campus properties, and public areas adjacent to the College. Although there are no formal written agreements, KHSU-KansasCOM maintains a robust working relationship with local law enforcement agencies, enhancing our collective ability to safeguard our community.

### **Campus Security Authorities**

KHSU-KansasCOM has appointed specific officials as campus security authorities to facilitate the reporting of criminal activities. These officials are responsible for ensuring that all reported crimes are documented for inclusion in the College's annual crime statistics report. For efficient and direct reporting, the following individuals and resources are preferred:

- Sean Wallace, Executive Director of Facilities and Security: 316-315-5640
- Campus Security Office (under the authority of the Executive Director of Facilities and Security): 316-249-8755

- Hannah Piechowski, Ph.D. Title IX Coordinator and Assistant Dean of Student Affairs: 316-315-5679
- KansasCOM SAFE App, downloadable through the Apple App Store and Google Play.

These resources ensure that all members of our campus community have accessible and reliable channels for reporting crimes.

## **Reporting a Crime or Emergency**

KHSU-KansasCOM strongly encourages the timely and accurate reporting of all crimes, emergencies, or other incidents that occur on campus, on other properties owned by the College, or on nearby public property. This is vital even if the victim of a crime chooses not to or is unable to report the incident.

- For immediate reporting of crimes on or near College property, please contact the Campus Security Department at 316-249-8755. This line is staffed during building hours: Monday – Thursday, 7:30 AM to 11:00 PM CST; Friday, 7:30 AM to 7:00 PM CST; Saturday, 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM CST; and Sunday, 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM CST.
- In cases of crimes in progress or situations posing imminent danger, contact local law enforcement directly by dialing 9-1-1.
- Incidents can be reported to the campus security authorities previously listed by students, employees, and visitors. Individuals reporting an incident are often encouraged to contact the appropriate police agency as well. College staff are available to assist with this process if needed.
- Anonymous incident reports can be submitted using the KansasCOM SAFE App, available on the iPhone App Store and Google Play.

## **Confidential Reporting**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to maintaining the confidentiality of victims. Identifying information is disclosed only to those who need it for investigative purposes, support of the victim, or disciplinary actions against the perpetrator.

According to the College's [Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, and Title IX Policy](#), any employee who is not a confidential resource and becomes aware of alleged misconduct (such as dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking) must report this information to the Title IX Coordinator, including the statuses of the involved parties if known.

Victims who prefer not to pursue action within the institutional or criminal justice systems are encouraged to file a confidential report with the KHSU-KansasCOM Campus Security Department. Anonymous tips can be submitted via the KHSU-KansasCOM SAFE App, which is available for download on app platforms. Alternatively, a report can be filed using the College's Guardian Records Management System, accessible to both students and staff. With permission, the Campus Security Department can file a detailed report without disclosing the victim's identity. At the very least, victims will have access to valuable counseling and referral information.

Confidential or anonymous reports are crucial as they help enhance community safety and provide a more accurate depiction of campus crime. These reports are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics and are intended to respect the victim's desire for confidentiality while ensuring the safety of others. Such information helps the College maintain accurate records of incidents, identify patterns of crime, and alert the community to potential dangers.

For non-emergency confidential crime reporting, victims can also consult professional counselors at KHSU-KansasCOM, who may advise them to report crimes voluntarily for inclusion in the annual crime statistics. KHSU-KansasCOM does not employ pastoral counselors.

Supportive measures implemented by KHSU-KansasCOM aim to assist without causing undue burden. These measures may include referrals to counseling, medical, or other healthcare services, financial aid counseling, visa and immigration assistance, no-contact orders, academic support, and adjustments to academic deadlines, class schedules, withdrawals, or leaves of absence.

KHSU-KansasCOM directs victims to a range of professional counselors, domestic violence counselors, and pastoral counselors located near campus. As an additional benefit, KHSU-KansasCOM provides professional counseling services to its students as confidential resources.

- **ComPsych:** ComPsych is a free, confidential, around-the-clock counseling service available to all KHSU-KansasCOM students.  
Telephone: (800) 851-1714  
Email: [info@compsych.com](mailto:info@compsych.com)
- **On-Campus Services:** The Office of Counseling Services is available to students from 8:00 AM CST to 5:00 PM CST. Students may be seen free of charge by a licensed professional during those hours.
  - Amanda Root, Counseling Specialist  
Telephone: 316-315-5639  
Email: [aroot@kansashsc.org](mailto:aroot@kansashsc.org)

Counselor serving the KHSU-KansasCOM community through the Office of Student Affairs and Services are not obligated to report instances of sexual misconduct to KHSU-KansasCOM's Title IX Coordinator. Both professional and non-professional counselors and advocates can maintain confidentiality concerning KHSU-KansasCOM; however, they may be subject to reporting or other legal obligations under state law. Complainants are encouraged to discuss with their counselors the extent of confidentiality offered, including the counselor's ability to protect privacy and uphold confidential communications. This conversation can help clarify the protections and limitations that apply within the context of their counseling sessions.

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

At KHSU-KansasCOM, the safety of our campus community is a top priority. All academic buildings are secured, and access is restricted to faculty, staff, and students who are issued HID access cards. Campus Security actively patrols all campus areas and parking structures according to the following schedule: Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 11:00 PM CST, Fridays from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM CST, Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM CST, and Sundays from 9:00 AM to 11:00 PM CST.

To maintain a secure environment, students and employees are urged to adhere to safety protocols and not circumvent the security measures in place:

- Never prop open secured doors or allow entry to strangers.
- Do not lend your access card to others or leave it unattended.
- Avoid sharing access codes with anyone outside of the campus community.

Access to offices, laboratories, and classrooms is granted only to those with proper authorization, and identification/access cards are issued as needed. Department supervisors are tasked with ensuring that their areas are securely locked when not in use.

Additionally, employee and student identification/access cards may be utilized to confirm the identity of individuals who are suspected of being on campus facilities without proper authorization. This protocol helps in maintaining a secure and safe environment for everyone at KHSU-KansasCOM.

### **Security Considerations in the Maintenance of Facilities**

The Facilities and Security Department at KHSU-KansasCOM diligently works to identify and rectify maintenance issues that could pose safety hazards on campus. Regular safety checks are conducted to ensure that all interior Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) are operational, safety lights are functioning correctly, and exterior doors are secure and locking as intended. Additionally, maintenance staff routinely inspect the lighting along pathways and ensure that egress lighting in hallways and stairwells is fully operational. These preventative measures are critical in maintaining a safe environment for all campus community members.

### **Educational Programs Related to Security Awareness and Prevention of Criminal Activity**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to enhancing the safety and security of its campus and community members through comprehensive educational programs. These programs are designed to inform students and employees about effective campus security procedures and practices, encourage personal responsibility for one's own safety and the safety of others, and provide crucial information on crime prevention.

At the start of each academic term, KHSU-KansasCOM disseminates information about the College's security procedures and practices through various channels. These include digital posters, displays, articles in the college newsletter, push notifications via the KansasCOM SAFE App, messages from the RAVE Emergency Alert System, and emails. These communications not only highlight the importance of reporting criminal activities and being vigilant about personal and community safety but also provide guidance on timely warnings and emergency notifications.

Moreover, the Campus Security Department hosts crime prevention programs each semester to further educate the campus community. Additional resources, such as email updates with safety tips, as well as pamphlets and videos on crime prevention, are readily available in the Office of Student Affairs and Services, the Office of Human Resources, and the Campus Security Department. These initiatives are part of KHSU-KansasCOM's ongoing effort to maintain a secure and informed campus environment.

### **Recognized Student Organizations Monitoring at Off Campus Locations**

KHSU-KansasCOM actively monitors and records criminal activities involving its students, whether these occur on campus or at off-campus college-sanctioned events. This oversight is conducted in collaboration with local police agencies, ensuring a comprehensive approach to student safety and security. This partnership allows the College to stay informed about incidents that might affect the well-being of its community members and aid in maintaining a secure environment for all academic and extracurricular engagements.

## **Disclosure of the Outcome of a Crime of Violence or Non-Forcible Sex Offense**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to transparency and fairness in the handling of all disciplinary proceedings related to crimes of violence or non-forcible sex offenses. Upon written request, the College will disclose the results of any disciplinary proceedings against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crimes to the alleged victim. This applies to crimes defined under section 16 of title 18, United States Code. Should the alleged victim be deceased as a result of the crime, the next of kin will be granted the rights of the alleged victim for the purpose of this disclosure.

It is important to note that this policy does not apply to cases involving dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Under the provisions of the Violence Against Women Act, both the accuser and the accused in these instances are automatically provided with the results of the disciplinary proceedings, eliminating the need for a written request.

## **Drug and Alcohol Policy**

KHSU-KansasCOM prohibits the use, sale, and possession of drugs and alcohol on-campus property or as any part of the College's activities unless they are prescribed medications or permission is given as part of a KHSU-KansasCOM related event.

The dispensing, selling, or supplying of alcoholic beverages to a person under 21 years old is prohibited, and the College Security Officers will enforce all state underage drinking laws. Employees, students, applicants for employment, customers, third-party contractors, visitors, or anyone who participates in KHSU-KansasCOM's education programs and activities may not unlawfully manufacture, consume, possess, sell, distribute, transfer, or be under the influence of alcohol, illicit drugs, or controlled substances on KHSU-KansasCOM property while driving a KHSU-KansasCOM vehicle, or while otherwise engaged in College business. KHSU-KansasCOM property includes all buildings, land owned, leased, or used by KHSU-KansasCOM, and motor vehicles operated by employees, including personal motor vehicles, when used in connection with work performed for or on behalf of KHSU-KansasCOM.

The College also enforces federal and state drug laws. The possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs is prohibited on campus or as any part of the College's activities. Violators of the College's policies or federal and state laws regarding illegal drugs will be subject to disciplinary action and criminal prosecution.

### **Federal Drug Laws (updated 08.05.2024)**

**Denial of Federal Benefits (21 U.S.C. § 862)** A federal drug conviction may result in the loss of federal benefits, including loans, grants, scholarships, contracts, and licenses, although the Department of Education has said it will no longer disqualify students from Title IV aid for a federal or state conviction for possession or sale of a controlled substance.

**Forfeiture of Personal Property and Real Estate (21 U.S.C. § 853).** Any person convicted of a federal drug offense punishable by more than one year in prison shall forfeit to the United States any personal or real property related to the violation. A warrant of seizure may be issued, and property seized at the time an individual is arrested on charges that may result in forfeiture.

**Federal Drug Trafficking Penalties (21 U.S.C. § 841)** Penalties for federal drug trafficking convictions vary according to the type and quantity of the controlled substance involved in the transaction. Penalties for subsequent convictions are more severe. Federally defined schedules of controlled substances are published at 21 U.S.C. 812.

In the case of a controlled substance in schedule I or schedule II, GHB (or, “liquid ecstasy”), or flunitrazepam (or, “Rohypnol”), a person shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than 20 years. If death or serious bodily injury results from the use of a controlled substance that has been illegally distributed, the person convicted on federal charges of distributing the substance faces the possibility of a life sentence and fines ranging up to \$10 million.

In the case of a controlled substance in schedule III, a person shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than ten (10) years, and if death or serious bodily injury results, shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than 15 years or a fine not to exceed \$500,000, or both, for a first offense.

For less than 50 kilograms of marijuana, the term of imprisonment shall not be more than five years, and the fine shall not be more than \$250,000, or both, for a first offense.

In the case of a schedule IV substance, the term of imprisonment shall not be more than five years, and the fine shall not be more than \$250,000, or both, for a first offense.

Persons convicted on federal charges of drug trafficking within 1,000 feet of an elementary school, secondary school, College, or university (21 U.S.C. § 860) face penalties of prison terms and fines which are twice as high as the regular penalties for the offense, with a mandatory prison sentence of at least one year, unless the offense involves five grams or less of marijuana.

Federal Drug Possession Penalties (21 U.S.C. § 844) Persons convicted on federal charges of possessing any controlled substance face penalties of up to one year in prison, a mandatory fine of no less than \$1,000, or both. Second convictions are punishable by not less than 15 days but not more than two years in prison and a minimum fine of \$2,500. Subsequent convictions are punishable by not less than 90 days but not more than three years in prison and a minimum fine of \$5,000.

For the most recent and complete Federal Trafficking Penalties information, visit the website of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration at:

[CampusDrugPrevention.gov/Federal Trafficking Penalties Chart](http://CampusDrugPrevention.gov/Federal%20Trafficking%20Penalties%20Chart)

### Drug and Alcohol State Laws

Category	Summary (Kansas Statutes)
Possession of Marijuana	Possession of marijuana is a Class B nonperson misdemeanor in Kansas with the possibility of six months incarceration and a fine of up to \$1,000. Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5706(c)(3)(A); § 21-6602; § 21-6611. Penalties increase with additional convictions. §§ 21-5706(c)(3)(B)–(C); § 21-6602; § 21.6611. Kansas does not allow the medical use of marijuana.
Controlled Substances	It is illegal in Kansas to be in possession of a controlled substance. §§ 21-5706(a)–(b). Penalties vary widely based on the offense and the defendant’s criminal history. §§ 21-5705–21-5710.  Possession of opiates, opium, or certain stimulants (including methamphetamine) is a Level 5 felony for which a defendant faces up to 3.5 years in prison and \$100,000 in fines. §§ 21-5706(c)(1); 21-6611(a)(3). For certain other drugs, the first offense is a Class A nonperson misdemeanor, with up to a year in prison and up to \$2,500 in fines. Prior offenses result in a level 5 felony. § 21-5706(c)(2)(B). Possession of drug paraphernalia is also illegal. § 21-5709.

Category	Summary (Kansas Statutes)
	Distribution of controlled substances is also illegal, with punishments dependent on the substance and the amount. § 21-5705.
Alcohol and Minors	No person under the age of 21 shall possess, consume, obtain, purchase, or attempt to obtain or purchase alcoholic beverages. § 41-727. Doing so results in a minimum fine of \$200. <i>Id.</i> It may also result in 40 hours of community service and/or completion of an educational training program regarding the results of alcohol and other chemical substances. <i>Id.</i> Second convictions result in a 90-day loss of driving privileges. <i>Id.</i> Third convictions result in a one-year loss of driving privileges. <i>Id.</i>
Driving Under the Influence (DUI)	It is illegal to operate or attempt to operate a car with a blood alcohol content greater than 0.08 percent or under the influence of any drug as measured within three hours of the time of operating the vehicle. § 8-1567(a). A first offense is a class B, nonperson misdemeanor with a minimum imprisonment from 48 consecutive hours up to six months, or 100 hours of public service and a fine of \$750–\$1000. § 8-1567(b)(1)(A). For a second offense, the penalties increase to a class A, nonperson misdemeanor with a minimum imprisonment from 90 days up to one year and not fined less than \$1,250 nor more than \$1,750. § 8-1567(b)(1)(B).

### Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

Under the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) and in accordance with the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations (EDGAR), KHSU-KansasCOM is required to have a drug and alcohol abuse and prevention policy and distribute this policy annually to all employees and students, which serves as annual notification to the campus community.

KHSU-KansasCOM uses evidence-based strategic interventions, collaboration, innovation, and the incorporation of wellness programs to reduce the harmful consequences of alcohol and other drug use. Strategies include:

- Providing education and awareness activities.
- Offering substance-free social and extracurricular and public/community service options.
- Creating a health-conscious environment.
- Restricting the marketing and promotion of alcohol and other drugs.
- Limiting the availability of alcohol.
- Developing and enforcing campus policies and enforcing laws to address high-risk and illegal alcohol and other drug use.
- Providing early intervention and referral for treatment.

### Biennial Review of KHSU-KansasCOM Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

KHSU-KansasCOM conducts a comprehensive review of all drug and alcohol abuse policies and prevention programs every two years. This evaluation process is designed to assess the effectiveness of existing measures and identify opportunities for enhancement. By systematically analyzing these programs, the College ensures that it continuously adapts and improves its strategies to effectively address substance abuse, thereby supporting the overall well-being and safety of the campus community.

- [Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989](#)
- [Drug and Alcohol Policy](#)

- [Impaired Medical Student Policy](#)

The above policies were recently evaluated on 6/1/2024 and republished on the KHSU-KansasCOM website in the following locations:

- Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989:  
<https://kansascom.kansashsc.org/student-life/student-resources/alcohol-and-drugs-policy/>
- Drug and Alcohol Policy: <https://kansascom.kansashsu.org/student-life/student-resources/campus-safety/>
- AY 2024-2025 Student Handbook & Academic Catalog/Impaired Medical Student Policy:  
<https://catalog.kansashsc.org/content.php?catoid=150&navoid=18555&hl=impaired+medical+student&returnto=search>

As part of its biennial review, KHSU-KansasCOM collaborates with three specialized organizations that provide assessments and treatments for drug and alcohol issues. These partnerships enable the College to obtain expert insights and implement best practices in substance abuse prevention and treatment.

- Kansas Medical Society-Professionals' Health Program  
623 SW 10th Avenue  
Topeka, Kansas 66612  
(800) 332-0156  
[www.fsphp.org/kansas](http://www.fsphp.org/kansas)
- Carolyn Westgate, MS, LCPC, Program Director  
Acumen Institute  
4321 W. 6th Street  
Lawrence, Kansas 66049  
(785) 856-0473  
[www.acumeninstitute.org](http://www.acumeninstitute.org)
- Professional Renewal Center  
1421 Research Park Dr., #3B  
Lawrence, Kansas 66049  
(877) 978-4772  
[www.prekanssas.org](http://www.prekanssas.org)

## **Policies, Procedures, and Programs Related to Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to fostering a safe and respectful environment. Consistent with applicable laws, the College strictly prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. We have established comprehensive policies and procedures to effectively address and resolve complaints related to these serious issues. These guidelines include detailed processes for filing, investigating, and resolving complaints to ensure fairness and justice for all parties involved. For more information about our policies and procedures or to access support resources, please visit webpages provided below.

- Student Handbook & Academic Catalog Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, and Title IX Summary:  
<https://catalog.kansashsc.org/content.php?catoid=171&navoid=22176>

- Title IX Policy and Training Materials: <https://kansascom.kansashsu.org/about/title-ix-policy/>
- Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, and Title IX Policy: Title IX Policy and Training Materials: [https://kansascom.kansashsu.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Anti-Discrim\\_Harass\\_Title-IX-Policy-KHSU-IM-7.8.24.pdf](https://kansascom.kansashsu.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Anti-Discrim_Harass_Title-IX-Policy-KHSU-IM-7.8.24.pdf)

### Primary Prevention and Awareness Program

KHSU-KansasCOM proactively addresses safety, security, and compliance with Title IX through a comprehensive Safety, Security, and Title IX Briefing. This mandatory session is held for all incoming students and new employees, clearly stating the College's zero-tolerance policy towards dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The briefing covers crucial topics such as relevant definitions, strategies for risk reduction, and the principles of bystander intervention (provided below).

Following the initial briefing, participants are required to complete further training on these topics to ensure a thorough understanding and the ability to effectively contribute to a safe campus environment. This program underscores the College's commitment to primary prevention and the cultivation of an informed and proactive community.

### Crime Definitions

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
Dating Violence	The College has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term dating violence.
Domestic Violence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Domestic Violence (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5111): “Domestic violence” means an act or threatened act of violence against a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship, or an act or threatened act of violence against a family or household member by a family or household member. “Domestic violence” also includes any other crime committed against a person or against property, or any municipal ordinance violation against a person or against property, when directed against a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or when directed against a family or household member by a family or household member.</li> <li>• Domestic Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5414(a)): Domestic battery is (1) Knowingly or recklessly causing bodily harm to a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or a family or household member; or (2) knowingly causing physical contact with a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or a family or household member, when done in a rude, insulting or angry manner.</li> <li>• Aggravated Domestic Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5414(b)): Aggravated domestic battery is: (1) Knowingly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the blood by applying pressure on the throat, neck or chest of a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or a family or household member, when done in a rude, insulting or angry manner; or (2) knowingly impeding the normal breathing or circulation of the</li> </ul>

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
	<p>blood by blocking the nose or mouth of a person with whom the offender is involved or has been involved in a dating relationship or a family or household member, when done in a rude, insulting or angry manner.</p> <p>For purpose of the above definitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Dating relationship” means a social relationship of a romantic nature. In addition to any other factors the court deems relevant, the trier of fact may consider the following when making a determination of whether a relationship exists or existed: Nature of the relationship, length of time the relationship existed, frequency of interaction between the parties and time since termination of the relationship, if applicable.</li> <li>• “Family or household member” means persons 18 years of age or older who are spouses, former spouses, parents or stepparents and children or stepchildren, and person who are presently residing together or have resided together in the past, and persons who have a child in common regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time. “Family and household member” also includes a man and woman if the woman is pregnant and the man is the alleged father, regardless of whether they have been married or have lived together at any time.</li> </ul>
Stalking (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5427)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stalking is: (1) Recklessly engaging in a course of conduct targeted at a specific person which would cause a reasonable person in the circumstances of the targeted person to fear for such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family and the targeted person is actually placed in such fear; (2) Engaging in a course of conduct targeted at a specific person with knowledge that the course of conduct will place the targeted person in fear for such person's safety or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family; or (3) After being served with, or otherwise provided notice of any protective order...that prohibits contact with a targeted person, recklessly engaging in at least one act listed [below] that violates the provisions of the order and would cause a reasonable person to fear for such person's safety, or the safety of a member of such person's immediate family and the targeted person is actually placed in such fear; or intentionally engaging in a course of conduct targeted at a specific child under the age of 14 that would cause a reasonable person in the circumstances of the targeted child, or a reasonable person in the circumstances of an immediate family member of such child, to fear for such child’s safety.</li> <li>• “Course of conduct” means two or more acts over a period of time, however short, which evidence a continuity of purpose. A course of conduct shall not include constitutionally protected activity nor conduct that was necessary to accomplish a legitimate purpose independent of making contact with the targeted person. A course of conduct shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following acts</li> </ul>

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
	<p>or a combination thereof: (A) Threatening the safety of the targeted person or a member of such person's immediate family; (B) Following, approaching or confronting the targeted person or a member of such person's immediate family; (C) Appearing in close proximity to, or entering the targeted person's residence, place of employment, school or other place where such person can be found, or the residence, place of employment or school of a member of such person's immediate family; (D) Causing damage to the targeted person's residence or property or that of a member of such person's immediate family; (E) Placing an object on the targeted person's property or the property of a member of such person's immediate family, either directly or through a third person; (F) Causing injury to the targeted person's pet or a pet belonging to a member of such person's immediate family; (G) Utilizing electronic tracking system or acquiring tracking information to determine the targeted person's location, movement or travel patterns; and (H) Any act of communication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• “Immediate Family” means: (A) father, mother, stepparent, child, stepchild, sibling, spouse, or grandparent of the targeted person; (B) any person residing in the household of the targeted person; or (C) any person involved in an intimate relationship with the targeted person.</li> </ul>
Sexual Assault	The College has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term sexual assault.
Rape, Fondling, Incest, Statutory Rape	<p>For purposes of the Clery Act, the term “sexual assault” includes the offenses of rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape. These definitions under Kansas law are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rape (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5503): (1) Knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse with a victim who does not consent to the sexual intercourse under any of the following circumstances: (A) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; or (B) when the victim is unconscious or physically powerless; (2) Knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of the effect of any alcoholic liquor, narcotic, drug or other substance, which condition was known by the offender or was reasonably apparent to the offender; (3) sexual intercourse with a child who is under 14 years of age; (4) sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim's consent was obtained through a knowing misrepresentation made by the offender that the sexual intercourse was a medically or therapeutically necessary procedure; or (5) sexual intercourse with a victim when the victim's consent was obtained through a knowing misrepresentation made by the offender that the sexual intercourse was a legally required procedure within the scope of the offender's authority.</li> </ul>

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fondling: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term fondling.</li> <li>• Incest (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5604(a)): Incest is marriage to or engaging in otherwise lawful sexual intercourse or sodomy, as defined in K.S.A. 21-5501, and amendments thereto, with a person who is 18 or more years of age and who is known to the offender to be related to the offender as any of the following biological relatives: Parent, child, grandparent of any degree, grandchild of any degree, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece.</li> <li>• Aggravated Incest (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5604(b)): Aggravated incest is (1) Marriage to a person who is under 18 years of age and who is known to the offender to be related to the offender as any of the following biological, step or adoptive relatives: Child, grandchild of any degree, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece; or (2) engaging in the following acts with a person who is 16 or more years of age but under 18 years of age and who is known to the offender to be related to the offender as any of the following biological, step or adoptive relatives: Child, grandchild of any degree, brother, sister, half-brother, half-sister, uncle, aunt, nephew or niece: (A) Otherwise lawful sexual intercourse or sodomy as defined by K.S.A. 21-5501, and amendments thereto; or (B) any lewd fondling, as described in subsection (a)(1) of K.S.A. 21-5506, and amendments thereto.</li> <li>• Statutory Rape: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term statutory rape.</li> </ul>
Other "sexual assault" crimes	<p>Other crimes under Kansas law that may be classified as a “sexual assault” include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Criminal Sodomy (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5504(a)): Criminal sodomy is: (1) Sodomy between persons who are 16 or more years of age and members of the same sex* [this provision was found unconstitutional as applied by State v. Franco, 319 P.3d 551 (2014) and thus unenforceable with regard to any intercourse between consenting adults of the same sex conducted in private; (2) sodomy between a person and an animal; (3) sodomy with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age; or (4) causing a child 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age to engage in sodomy with any person or animal.</li> <li>• Aggravated Criminal Sodomy (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5504(b)): Aggravated criminal sodomy is: (1) Sodomy with a child who is under 14 years of age; (2) causing a child under 14 years of age to engage in sodomy with any person or an animal; or (3) sodomy with a victim who does not consent to the sodomy or causing a victim, without the victim's consent, to engage in sodomy with any person or an animal under any of the following circumstances: (A) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; (B) when the victim is</li> </ul>

Crime Type (Kansas Statutes Annotated)	Definitions
	<p>unconscious or physically powerless; or (C) when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of the effect of any alcoholic liquor, narcotic, drug or other substance, which condition was known by, or was reasonably apparent to, the offender.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sexual Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5505(a)): Sexual battery is the touching of a victim who is 16 or more years of age and who does not consent thereto, with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the offender or another.</li> <li>• Aggravated Sexual Battery (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5505(b)): Aggravated sexual battery is sexual battery, as defined in subsection (a), under any of the following circumstances: (1) When the victim is overcome by force or fear; (2) when the victim is unconscious or physically powerless; or (3) when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of mental deficiency or disease, or when the victim is incapable of giving consent because of the effect of any alcoholic liquor, narcotic, drug or other substance, which condition was known by, or was reasonably apparent to, the offender.</li> <li>• Indecent Liberties with a Child (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5506(a)): Indecent liberties with a child is engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age: (1) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (2) soliciting the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another.</li> <li>• Aggravated Indecent Liberties with a Child (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5506(b)): Aggravated indecent liberties with a child is: (1) Sexual intercourse with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age; (2) engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age and who does not consent thereto: (A) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (B) causing the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another; or (3) engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is under 14 years of age: (A) Any lewd fondling or touching of the person of either the child or the offender, done or submitted to with the intent to arouse or to satisfy the sexual desires of either the child or the offender, or both; or (B) soliciting the child to engage in any lewd fondling or touching of the person of another</li> </ul>

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	<p>with the intent to arouse or satisfy the sexual desires of the child, the offender or another.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unlawful voluntary sexual relations (Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-5507):</li> </ul> <p>Unlawful voluntary sexual relations are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Engaging in any of the following acts with a child who is 14 or more years of age but less than 16 years of age: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Voluntary sexual intercourse,</li> <li>B. voluntary sodomy; or</li> <li>C. voluntary lewd fondling or touching.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2) When the offender is less than 19 years of age;</li> <li>3) when the offender is less than four years of age older than the child.</li> <li>4) when the child and the offender are the only parties involved; and</li> <li>5) when the child and the offender are members of the opposite sex.</li> </ol>
Consent (as it relates to sexual activity)	The College has determined, based on good-faith research, that Kansas law does not define the term consent (as it relates to sexual activity).

The briefing also provides information on possible sanctions and protective measures that may be imposed following a determination that an offense of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has occurred; an explanation of the disciplinary procedures that will be followed when one of these offenses is alleged; the rights of the parties in such a proceeding; available resources; and other pertinent information. Much of this information is set forth in the upcoming sections of this security report.

### **KHSU-KansasCOM Definition of Consent**

The College uses the following definition of consent in its sexual misconduct policy for the purpose of determining whether sexual violence (including sexual assault) has occurred:

- At KHSU-KansasCOM, consent is informed, voluntary, and revocable. Consent cannot be given when a person is incapacitated.
- Consent is *informed*. Consent is an affirmative, unambiguous, and conscious decision by each participant to engage in mutually agreed-upon sexual activity.
- Consent is *voluntary*. It must be given without coercion, force, threats, or intimidation. Consent means positive cooperation in the act or expression of intent to engage in the act pursuant to an exercise of free will.
- Consent is *revocable*. Consent to some form of sexual activity does not imply consent to other forms of sexual activity.
- Consent to sexual activity on one occasion is not consent to engage in sexual activity on another occasion. A current or previous dating or sexual relationship, by itself, is not sufficient to constitute consent. Even in the context of a relationship, there must be mutual consent to engage in sexual activity. Consent must be ongoing throughout a sexual encounter and can be revoked at any time. Once consent is withdrawn, the sexual activity must stop immediately. Any condition on consent imposed by a

consenting party must be respected, or the interaction may not be considered consensual.

- Consent cannot be given when a person is *incapacitated*. A person cannot consent if s/he is asleep, unconscious, or coming in and out of consciousness. A person cannot consent if s/he is under the threat of violence, bodily injury, or other forms of coercion. A person cannot consent if their understanding of the act is affected by a physical or mental impairment. A person cannot consent if the person is incapacitated due to the use of or influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Consent means affirmative, conscious, and voluntary agreement given by both parties to engage in sexual activity. It is the responsibility of each person involved in the sexual activity to ensure that they have the affirmative consent of the other or others to engage in the sexual activity. Neither lack of protest or resistance nor silence means consent has been given. Affirmative consent must be ongoing throughout sexual activity, and consent can be revoked at any time. The existence of a dating relationship between the people involved, or the fact of past sexual relations between them, should never alone be assumed to be an indicator of consent.

It shall not be a valid excuse to alleged lack of affirmative consent that the Respondent believed that the Complainant consented to the sexual activity under either of the following circumstances:

1. The Respondent's belief in affirmative consent arose from the intoxication or recklessness of the Respondent.
2. The Respondent did not take reasonable steps, in the circumstances known to the Respondent at the time, to ascertain whether the Complainant affirmatively consented.

It shall not be a valid excuse that the Respondent believed that the Complainant affirmatively consented to the sexual activity if the Respondent knew or should have known that the Complainant was unable to consent to the sexual activity under any of the following circumstances:

1. The Complainant was asleep or unconscious.
2. The Complainant was incapacitated due to the influence of drugs, alcohol, or medication, so that the Complainant could not understand the fact, nature, or extent of the sexual activity.
3. The Complainant was unable to communicate due to a mental or physical condition.

## **Risk Reduction**

If you find yourself in an uncomfortable sexual situation, these suggestions may help you reduce your risk:

- Make your limits known before going too far.
- You can withdraw consent to sexual activity at any time. Do not be afraid to tell a sexual aggressor "NO" clearly and loudly.
- Try to remove yourself from the physical presence of a sexual aggressor. Be direct as possible about wanting to leave the environment.
- Grab someone nearby and ask them for help.
- Be responsible about your alcohol and/or drug use. Alcohol and drugs can lower your sexual inhibitions and may make you vulnerable to someone who views an intoxicated/high person as a sexual opportunity.

- Attend large parties with friends you trust. Watch out for your friends and ask that they watch out for you.
- Be aware of someone trying to slip you an incapacitating “rape drug” like Rohypnol or GHB.

If you find yourself in the position of being the initiator of sexual behavior, these suggestions may help you to reduce your risk of being accused of sexual assault or another sexual crime:

- Remember that you owe sexual respect to the other person.
- Do not make assumptions about the other person’s consent or about how far they are willing to go.
- Remember that consent to one form of sexual activity does not necessarily imply consent to another form of sexual behavior.
- If your partner expresses a withdrawal of consent, stop immediately.
- Clearly communicate your sexual intentions so that the other person has a chance to clearly tell you their intentions.
- Consider “mixed messages” a clear sign that the other person is uncomfortable with the situation and may not be ready to progress sexually.
- Do not take advantage of someone who is really drunk or on drugs, even if they knowingly and intentionally put themselves in that state. Further, do not be afraid to step in if you see someone else trying to take advantage of an incapacitated person.
- Be aware of the signs of incapacitation, such as slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, vomiting, unusual behavior, passing out, staggering, etc.

It is also important to be aware of the warning signs of an abusive person. Some examples include past abuse, threats of violence or abuse, breaking objects, using force during an argument, jealousy, controlling behavior, quick involvement, unrealistic expectations, isolation, blaming others for problems, hypersensitivity, cruelty to animals or children, “playful” use of force during sex, Jekyll-and-Hyde personality.

### **Bystander Intervention**

In addition to reporting incidents to appropriate authorities, below are some ways in which individuals can take safe and positive steps to prevent harm and intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking against another person.

- Look out for those around you.
- Realize that it is important to intervene to help others.
- Treat everyone respectfully. Do not be hostile or an antagonist.
- Be confident when intervening.
- Recruit help from others if necessary.
- Be honest and direct.
- Keep yourself safe.
- If things get out of hand, do not hesitate to contact the police.

## **Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign**

KHSU-KansasCOM extends its commitment to campus safety through an ongoing prevention and awareness campaign targeting all students and employees. This campaign reinforces the material introduced in the initial Safety, Security, and Title IX Briefing. Its goal is to deepen the understanding and enhance the skills of the campus community regarding the prevention of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. By regularly revisiting these important topics, the campaign ensures that all members of the community remain vigilant and well-informed, empowering them to actively participate in creating a safer campus environment. This continuous educational effort is a crucial part of our proactive approach to maintaining a secure and supportive atmosphere for everyone at the College.

### **Programming Methods**

The ongoing prevention and awareness campaign at KHSU-KansasCOM is designed to be dynamic and inclusive, utilizing a variety of methods to engage the entire college community effectively. Methods include but are not limited to, presentations, online training modules, distribution of written materials, periodic email blasts, and guest speakers. The strategies employed are tailored to suit diverse learning styles and to address the specific needs of various groups within the College.

- The College uses a variety of strategies, such as in-person presentations by sexual assault organizations, email blasts with pertinent information, digital billboards, etc.
- Additional prevention courses are provided by the Campus Security Department and Emergency Medicine Department each academic year:
  - Active Shooter Response
  - Personal Safety
  - Healthy Relationships
  - Communication Skills for Personal Safety
  - Basic Life Saving
  - Stop the Bleed

## **Procedures to Follow if You are a Victim of Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking**

If you are a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, go to a safe place and call 9-1-1 or the Campus Security Department at 316-249-8755. You may also contact the College's Title IX Coordinator, Hannah Piechowski, at 316-315-5679.

Victims will be notified in writing of the procedures to follow, including:

- To whom and how should the alleged offense be reported (contact the Title IX Coordinator or refer to the other resources listed in this report).
- The importance of preserving evidence that may be necessary to prove the offense in a criminal proceeding or disciplinary action or to obtain a protective order.
- The victim's options regarding notification to law enforcement are (a) the option to notify either on-campus or local police; (b) the option to be assisted by campus security authorities in notifying law enforcement if the victim so chooses (the institution is obligated to comply with such a request if it is made); and (c) the option to decline to notify such authorities.

- The rights of victims and the institution’s responsibilities regarding orders of protection, no-contact orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by a criminal, civil, or tribal court (where applicable).

### **Preservation of Evidence and Forensic Examinations**

Victims of physical assault are advised not to remove clothing items worn during or following an assault, as they frequently contain valuable fiber, hair, and fluid evidence. Do not bathe, wash, or otherwise clean the environment in which the assault occurred.

You can obtain a forensic examination at:

- Wesley Healthcare  
550 N. Hillside  
Wichita, KS 67214  
Office Hours: 24-hour facility  
Telephone: (316) 962-2000
- Ascension Via Christi  
929 N. St. Francis  
Wichita, KS.  
316-268-5000
- Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center  
Telephone: (316) 263-0185  
Email: [advocate@wichitasac.com](mailto:advocate@wichitasac.com)  
Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM.

Completing a forensic examination does not require you to file a police report, but having a forensic examination will help preserve evidence in case you decide later to file a police report.

Victims are also advised to retain evidence in electronic formats (e.g., text messages, emails, photos, social media posts, screenshots, etc.). Such evidence is valuable in all situations, and it may be the only type of evidence available in instances of stalking.

### **Security/Law Enforcement & How to Make a Police Report**

- Campus Security Department 316-249-8755
- Patrol South 211 E. Pawnee, Wichita, KS 67211 (316) 350-3440 8:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Monday – Friday
- Emergencies: 9-1-1

To make a police report, a victim should contact the local police agency listed above either by phone or in-person. The victim should provide as much information as possible, including name, address, and when and what occurred, to the best of the victim’s ability.

### **Information about Legal Protection Orders**

In Kansas, victims may obtain an Adult Order of Protection, which provides protective relief for victims of domestic violence, stalking, or sexual assault. Information about Adult Orders of Protection may be found at: <https://www.kspop.org/index.php/en/>

Protection from Abuse (PFA) orders and/or Protection from Stalking (PFS) orders are designed to protect individuals who are being victimized by either their significant others or by known stalkers. While these orders are not specifically restraining orders, they are

intended to limit the contact between the victims and their abusers or stalkers. The protection from abuse/stalking process is designed to provide quick and immediate protection. However, the process may require time, expertise, or more than one hearing. If you have questions, you should seek help from an attorney or victim services advocate. The Kansas Crisis Hotline (1-888-363-2287) or Kansas Legal Services (1-800-723-6953) may be able to help you find an attorney or advocate.

To complete your form, please visit the website <https://www.kspop.org/index.php/en/>, which will take you to the KS POP (Protection Order Portal). After clicking submit, your forms are sent to the court clerk. Keep in mind that the Clerk of the District Court cannot help you with these forms and cannot give you legal advice or information about the protection order process. Additional information and resources can be found on the KSPOP website.

**If you have any questions or need assistance in completing the form(s), you can contact the PFA Office at 316-660-5290.**

**It is highly recommended that you carefully read the PFA or PFS paperwork to ensure that you meet the requirements and complete the paperwork accurately to save both yourself and the court staff time.**

A PFA/PFS Police Service Packet Information can be obtained here:

[https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/29211/sheriff\\_pfa\\_psaletter.pdf](https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/media/29211/sheriff_pfa_psaletter.pdf)

When a protection order is granted, it is enforceable statewide. If you have obtained a protection order and need it to be enforced in your area, you should contact the local police department.

KHSU-KansasCOM will also enforce any temporary restraining order or other no-contact order against the alleged perpetrator from a criminal, civil, or tribal court. Any student or employee who has a protection order or no contact order should notify the Executive Director of Facilities and Security and the Title IX Coordinator and provide a copy of the restraining order so that it may be kept on file with the institution and can be enforced on campus, if necessary. Upon learning of any orders, the College will take all reasonable and legal action to implement the order.

KHSU-KansasCOM does not issue legal orders of protection. However, as a matter of institutional policy, the College may impose a no-contact order between individuals in appropriate circumstances. The College may also issue a “no trespass warning” if information available leads to a reasonable conclusion that an individual is likely to cause harm to any member of the campus community. A person found to be in violation of a No Trespass Warning may be arrested and criminally charged.

### **Available Victim Services**

Victims will be provided with written notification about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available to them, both within the College and in the surrounding community. Those services include:

#### KHSU-KansasCOM Resources

- Amanda Root, LCPC of Air Capital Counseling  
Telephone: 316-347-7157  
Email: <https://aircapitalcounseling.com/appointment-request/>
- ComPsych - <https://www.compsych.com/>

- Registrar – Occasionally, a victim of a crime may feel the need to take a leave of absence from school. If a student is considering a leave of absence based on the circumstances of a complaint, they should understand there may be financial aid implications in taking such leave.

A leave of absence should be discussed with the Office of Financial Aid. The Title IX Coordinator can assist in facilitating this conversation if desired. Please visit the KHSU-KansasCOM financial aid website:

<https://kansascom.kansashsc.org/admissions/financial-aid/>

### State and Local Resources

- Wesley Healthcare  
550 N. Hillside  
Wichita, KS 67214  
316- 962-2000
- Ascension Via Christi St. Francis  
929 North Saint Francis St  
Wichita, KS 67214  
(316)-268-5000
- ComPsych  
<https://www.compsych.com>
- Wichita Area Sexual Assault Center  
355 N Waco, Suite 100 Wichita, KS 67202  
316-263-0185
- Kansas Legal Services  
Matt Keenan, Executive Director  
712 S. Kansas Ave., Suite 200, Topeka KS 66603  
785-233-2068 Toll Free 1-800-723-6953

### National Resources

- National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233
- National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-4673
- Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN): <https://www.rainn.org/>
- US Dept. of Justice Office on Violence Against Women: <https://www.justice.gov/ovw>
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence: <http://www.ncadv.org/>
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center: <http://www.nsvrc.org/>
- U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services: <https://www.uscis.gov/>
- Immigration Advocates Network: <https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/>

## **Accommodations and Protective Measures**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to supporting victims by providing comprehensive options for accommodations and protective measures that address their individual needs. We offer written notification to victims outlining available assistance for changes in academic, living, transportation, and working conditions, ensuring that those who need these accommodations receive them, regardless of their decision to report the crime to campus security or local law enforcement.

Victims seeking accommodations or protective measures are encouraged to contact the Title IX Coordinator at 316-315-5679. These officials are tasked with assessing and deciding on the implementation of appropriate accommodations or protective measures.

When determining the reasonableness of such a request, the College may consider, among other factors, the following:

- The specific need expressed by the Complainant.
- The age of the students involved.
- The severity or pervasiveness of the allegations
- Any continuing effects on the Complainant
- Whether the Complainant and alleged perpetrator share the same class or job location.
- Whether other judicial measures have been taken to protect the Complainant (e.g., civil protection orders).

The College will maintain as confidential any accommodation or protective measures provided for a victim to the extent that maintaining confidentiality would not impair the College's ability to provide them. However, there may be times when certain information must be disclosed to a third party to implement the accommodation or protective measures. The College will make these decisions in light of the surrounding circumstances, and disclosures of this nature will be limited so that only the information necessary to implement the accommodation or protective measure is provided. In the event it is necessary to disclose information about a victim to provide an accommodation or protective order, the College will inform the victim of that necessity prior to the disclosure, including which information will be shared, with whom it will be shared, and why.

## **Procedures for Disciplinary Action**

### **Sexual Misconduct Awareness Training and Prevention**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to maintaining a safe environment for living, learning, and working through comprehensive systemwide policies. The College strictly prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual misconduct, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, and stalking. Since opening its doors to students on July 25, 2022, KHSU-KansasCOM has implemented a wide-ranging security strategy that includes intentional, integrated programming, initiatives, strategies, and campaigns. These efforts are designed to prevent incidents of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual misconduct, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, and stalking before they occur. Training and education on these topics are integral parts of our overall security measures.

Any allegations of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking are processed through the College's Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, and Title IX Policy, along with the associated complaint resolution procedures. These procedures are applied consistently, regardless of the status of the Complainant or the Respondent, ensuring that all cases are handled with fairness and due diligence.

The complaint resolution procedures are invoked once a report is made to one of the following individuals:

Title IX Coordinator:

Dr. Hannah Piechowski  
Assistant Dean of Student Affairs  
[hpiechowski@kansashsc.org](mailto:hpiechowski@kansashsc.org)  
316-315-5679

Title IX Deputy Coordinators:

Freda Strack  
Registrar  
[fstrack@kansashsc.org](mailto:fstrack@kansashsc.org)  
316-315-5645

Bruce Davison  
Director of Human Resources  
[bdavison@kansashsc.org](mailto:bdavison@kansashsc.org)  
316-315-5470

Students may also direct questions about Title IX and the Campus SaVE Act to:

[khscestuaffairs@kansashsc.org](mailto:khscestuaffairs@kansashsc.org)

Community members may also direct questions about Title IX to:

United States Department of Education Office of Civil Rights (OCR)  
Customer Service Hotline: 800-421-3481  
TDD#: 877-521-2172  
Website: [www.ed.gov/ocr](http://www.ed.gov/ocr)  
Email: [ocr@ed.gov](mailto:ocr@ed.gov)  
400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-1100

### **Rights of the Parties in an Institutional Proceeding**

During the process described in the previous section, both the accuser and the individual accused of the offense are entitled to:

- A prompt, fair, and impartial process from the initial investigation to the final result.
  - A prompt, fair, and impartial process is one that is:
    - Promptly completed within the designated by the institution's policy, including a process that allows for the extension of time for a compelling cause, with written notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for the delay.
    - Conducted in a manner that:
      1. is consistent with the institution's policies and transparent to the accuser and the accused;
      2. includes timely notice of meetings at which the accuser or accused, or both, may be present; and
      3. provides timely access to the accuser, the accused, and appropriate officials to any information that will be used during informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings.

- Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the accuser or the accused.
- Proceedings conducted by officials who, at a minimum, receive annual training on the issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking and on how to conduct an investigation and a hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability.
  - The officials who conducted Title IX investigations have received such training that addresses topics such as the definition of sexual harassment, the scope of the College's education programs and activities, how to conduct investigations, hearings, appeals, informal resolutions (as applicable), relevant evidence and how it should be used during a proceeding; proper techniques for questioning witnesses, basic procedural rules for conducting a proceeding, and avoiding actual and perceived conflicts of interest.

The courses attended by the investigative officials are as follows:

- Title IX Decision Maker
  - Title IX Coordinator
  - Title IX 101
  - Title IX Investigator I & II
  - Title IX Advisor
  - Suicide QPR
  - Safe Zone Training
  - Title IX Informal Resolution
  - Parallel Response to Title IX and Criminal Matters
  - Accommodating Pregnant & Parenting Students
- The same opportunities are available to have others present during any institutional disciplinary proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice. The institution may not limit the choice of advisor but may establish limits regarding the extent to which that advisor may participate in the proceeding if those limits apply equally to both parties.
- Have the outcome determined using the preponderance of the evidence standard.
- Simultaneous, written notification of the results of the proceeding, any procedures for either party to appeal the result, any change to the result, and when the result becomes final. For this purpose, "result" means "any initial, interim, and final decision by an official or entity authorized to resolve disciplinary matters" and must include the rationale for reaching the result and any sanctions imposed.

### **Possible Sanctions or Protective Measures that the College May Impose for Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking Offenses**

Following a final determination in the institution's disciplinary proceeding that dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed, the institution may impose a sanction depending on the mitigating and aggravating circumstances involved. The possible sanctions include:

- Professionalism Improvement Plan (a plan intended to require reflection and remediation of behavior found to have violated this policy).
- Formal written warning

- No contact order pertaining to certain KHSU-KansasCOM communities, students, or employees.
- Probation (a written reprimand for violation of institutional policy, providing for more severe disciplinary sanctions if the student is found in violation of any institutional policy, procedure, or directive within one academic year. Terms of the probation will be articulated and may include denial of specified social privileges, exclusion from co-curricular activities, exclusion from designated areas of campus, no-contact orders, and/or other measures deemed appropriate).
- Referral to counseling services and/or Student Solutions and/or dismissal from KHSU-KansasCOM.
- Suspension (termination of student status for a definite period not to exceed one academic year and/or until specific criteria are met. Students who return from suspension are automatically placed on probation through the remainder of their tenure as a student at KHSU-KansasCOM).
- Withholding of a degree or certificate.
- Expulsion

### **Publicly Available Recordkeeping**

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to fulfilling its recordkeeping responsibilities under the Clery Act and other applicable laws, ensuring that all publicly available reports and disclosures are completed without including personally identifiable information about victims. This applies to all reports of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking made to the College, preserving the confidentiality and privacy of victims to the fullest extent permitted by law.

### **Victims to Receive Written Notification of Rights**

Whenever a student or employee reports being a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whether the incident occurred on or off campus, KHSU-KansasCOM will provide a written explanation of their rights and options. This document will outline the procedures for handling such reports, the support services available, and the rights of victims under the law, ensuring that they are fully informed and supported throughout the process.

### **Sex Offender Registration Program**

In compliance with the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000, KHSU-KansasCOM informs the campus community about where information regarding registered sex offenders can be obtained. The Act also mandates that sex offenders must notify the state if they are employed, enrolled, or carrying on a vocation at any institution of higher education within the state. The state, in turn, is required to notify the College of any relevant information it receives about registered sex offenders. This ensures that the College has current information to help maintain a safe environment for all members of the campus community. Anyone interested in determining whether such persons are on this campus may do so by contacting the Title IX Coordinator and/or consulting the State registry of sex offender information may be accessed at the following link: <https://kansas.gov/kbi/ro.shtml>

### **Timely Warnings and Emergency Response**

#### Timely Warnings

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to maintaining a safe campus environment and will issue campus-wide "timely warnings" in situations that pose a serious or continuing threat to the

campus community. These warnings are triggered by criminal activities occurring either on or off campus, as determined by the Executive Director of Facilities and Security in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer. Examples prompting such warnings could include a sexual assault, a pattern of crimes in the vicinity that continue to threaten community safety or inclement weather.

- **Communication of Warnings:** Warnings are disseminated to students and employees through various methods outlined later in this document, ensuring broad and effective reach. Updates to these warnings are provided as new information becomes available.
- **Reporting:** Members of the campus community who have information that might necessitate a timely warning are urged to immediately contact the Campus Security Department at 316-249-8755.
- **Collaboration with Local Law Enforcement:** The College actively communicates with local law enforcement to ensure that it is promptly notified of any incidents that may warrant a timely warning.
- **Decision-Making Process:** The decision to issue a timely warning is made on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Director of Facilities and Security, taking into consideration the nature of the crime, the facts surrounding it, and the ongoing risk to the campus community. Crime alerts typically include a brief description of the incident, its date, time, and location, along with safety precautions that should be taken.

### Emergency Response

Timely and accurate communication with the KHSU-KansasCOM community during a campus emergency is critical. Upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation occurring on the campus that involves an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or employees, the Security Authorities will immediately notify the KHSU-KansasCOM community. Note that confirmation means that a member of Campus Security has verified that a legitimate emergency or dangerous situation exists.

In consultation with the Campus Security Authorities, the Executive Director of Facilities and Security will:

1. Determine which segments of the KHSU-KansasCOM community need immediate notification and which will require follow-up communications;
2. determine the contents of the notification to ensure clarity and effectiveness; and
3. notification will be initiated through authorized channels. Only representatives explicitly authorized by the Campus Security Authorities may distribute public statements or comments related to any ongoing or resolved crisis. *The Campus Security Authority members can be found on page two of this report.*

KHSU-KansasCOM actively cooperates with the local police department to stay informed about potential threats that may require an emergency response. The Executive Director of Facilities and Security will coordinate with local law enforcement and media outlets to ensure broader community awareness during emergencies.

### KHSU-KansasCOM Communication Channels

Emergency notifications to faculty, staff, and students are issued via email and text message using the RAVE Emergency Alert System and KHSU-KansasCOM SAFE Application.

Method	Sign Up Instructions
RAVE Emergency Alert System	<p>New students, faculty, and staff are automatically added to the distribution list during orientation, which includes email addresses. The lists are defined as: KHSU-KansasCOM faculty, staff, and students.</p> <p>To receive potentially lifesaving communications via text messages, individuals <u>must opt-in</u> by adding their cell phone numbers to the RAVE system. This can be done by visiting <a href="#">RAVE Emergency Alert System Sign-up</a>.</p>
KansasCOM SAFE Application	Available for download via the Apple App Store or Google Marketplace

Notifications are sent out without delay unless, in the judgment of responsible authorities, such notifications would compromise ongoing efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or mitigate the emergency.

Target internal audiences for emergency notifications and status reports:

- Employees, faculty, and staff
- Students
- Visitors
- Groups using KHSU-KansasCOM facilities.
- The Community Solution Education System (The System)

#### External Communications and Prepared Statements

The Office of Institutional Advancement must handle all external communications in collaboration with the Office of the President. The President’s appointed Communications Coordinator, Molly Fox, is the only representative explicitly authorized to distribute prepared statements or comments on behalf of the College related to any developing, unfolding, or resolved crisis scenarios.

When doing so does not jeopardize life or property, the Communications Coordinator will consult with the System Chief of Staff and the System Senior Director of Marketing and Public Relations about crafting crisis communications, especially non-emergency status notifications and any external communications to the public or media organizations.

Key priorities of emergency communications will be:

- Accuracy: Ensure that the information disseminated to external audiences is accurate, aiming to counteract the spread of rumors and misinformation.
- Information Gathering: Continuously collect detailed reports and recommendations about the status of the emergency as it evolves to inform ongoing communication strategies.

Target external audiences for emergency notifications and status reports include:

- Family and relatives of students, employees, faculty, and staff
- Board of Trustees
- Community-at-large and neighbors

## **Campus Evacuation**

KHSU-KansasCOM is prepared to evacuate the building or campus and will do so in the event of potential danger. In the event of an emergency situation requiring evacuation, designated campus officials and the assigned floor captains will begin a floor-by-floor evacuation of each affected building from the top down. Students, employees, and visitors are instructed to leave personal belongings and evacuate the building quickly. A copy of the [Building Evacuation Policy](#) is available on the KansasCOM website.

## **Annual Fire and Tornado Drills**

Each year, KHSU-KansasCOM faculty, staff, and students participate in annual fire and tornado drills. The drills are coordinated by the Campus Security Authorities and led by the Executive Director of Facilities and Security. The RAVE Emergency Alert System and KHSU-KansasCOM SAFE App are utilized for annual drill notifications. KHSU-KansasCOM fire drill and tornado drill procedures are as follows:

- Drills are both announced and unannounced.
- Floor captains assist the Executive Director of Facilities and Security and the Director of Facilities with evacuation drills, following the procedures provided in the [Building Evacuation Policy](#).
- Documentation of each drill is maintained in the Clery Compliance Toolset database.
- During this reporting period, the campus-wide fire drill was conducted on 8/31/2023, and the tornado drill on 3/7/23.

KHSU-KansasCOM is committed to maintaining a robust and effective emergency response and evacuation plan. To ensure the readiness and efficacy of these procedures, the College evaluates its emergency protocols at least annually, with additional training sessions convened as needed.

## **Recordkeeping and Documentation**

The Executive Director of Facilities and Security is responsible for maintaining detailed records of all drills and training exercises. These records include:

- Descriptions of the Drills and Training Exercises: Detailed accounts of what each session entailed.
- Dates and Times: Precise logging of when each drill and training occurred.
- Announcement Status: Documentation of whether drills were announced or unannounced to evaluate the spontaneity and preparedness of participants.

## **Communication and Awareness**

In conjunction with at least one of these tests annually, KHSU-KansasCOM will distribute information to all students and employees. This communication is designed to:

- Remind the community of the existing emergency response and evacuation procedures: Ensuring that everyone is aware of the steps to take in the event of an actual emergency.
- Reinforce the importance of preparedness: Highlighting the critical nature of understanding and adhering to the College's safety protocols.

## Crime Statistics

KHSU-KansasCOM did not start its first class until July 25, 2022, therefore, crime statistics were not requested for academic year 2021. The statistical summary of crime statistics for this College over the past three calendar years follows.

Crime	On Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022	2021	2023	2022	2021
Murder/Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Rape	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	1	0	N/A
Fondling	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Statutory Rape	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Incest	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Aggravated Assault	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	4	0	N/A
Burglary	0	0	N/A	1	0	N/A	17	0	N/A
Robbery	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	1	0	N/A
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Arson	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Arrest - Liquor Law Violation	0	0	N/A	1	0	N/A	1	0	N/A
Arrest - Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	N/A	3	0	N/A	3	0	N/A
Arrest - Weapon Violation	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Disciplinary Referral - Liquor Law Violation	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Disciplinary Referral - Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Disciplinary Referral - Weapon Violation	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Domestic Violence	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	1	0	N/A
Dating Violence	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Stalking	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A	0	0	N/A
Destruction, Damage, Vandalism of Property	0	0	N/A	10	3	N/A	15	0	N/A

\* The College does not have on-campus student housing facilities.

### Hate crimes:

2023: No hate crimes reported.

2022: No hate crimes reported.

2021: N/A

### Crimes unfounded by the College:

2023: 0 unfounded crimes.

2022: 0 unfounded crimes.

2021: N/A

### Statistics for unfounded crimes provided by law enforcement agencies:

2023: 0 unfounded crimes.

2022: 0 unfounded crimes.

2021: N/A

**Data from law enforcement:**

In October 2024, Kansas Health Science University (KHSU) received clarification about the area(s) that should be considered Clery geography. KHSU provided new geography information to the Wichita Police Department Crime Analysis Unit on December 18, 2024, and the unit returned a report on January 16, 2025. The report indicated KHSU had under reported the Clery Crimes within our geography. The crime statistics in the table above were adjusted as a result. The data was corrected and KHSU republished the ASR on March 12, 2025.