

Crime Rates and Statistics

2023-2024

South Hills Location

https://www.neighborhoodscout.com/pa/dormont/crime

North Hills Location

https://www.neighborhoodscout.com/pa/west-view/crime

INTRODUCTION:

This document has been designed to inform all students and employees about the school's safety and security procedures and policies. The annual disclosure document is done each year by contacting the local police department and/or the building management to compile the statistics used in the report. All crimes are reported based on the calendar year in which the crime was reported to local police agencies or to the School Director/ Campus Security Coordinator. The safety of our students and employees is an important concern of the school's administration. This document explains this school's policy regarding crime and accident prevention, public safety, criminal and accident reporting procedures, and fire safety. Read this document carefully and ask questions if you are confused or uncertain.

At orientation for new students and for new employees, the school reviews the campus safety and security reports. For the purposes of reporting campus crimes, the definition of campus security report, procedures, and safety practices. We also review with students and employees the need to be responsible for their own security and safety at all times. This is also available on our website.

Definition of the school's campus includes:

South Hills Location:

Dwelling located 3269 West Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh Pa 15216 , Allegheny County. Including Front Sidewalk and Back driveway.

North Hills Location:

Dwelling located 813 West View Park Drive A & B, Pittsburgh Pa 15229, Allegheny County. Including parking lots and sidewalks surrounding the buildings. CRIME & ACCIDENT PREVENTION:

The school does not assume liability for stolen property. Therefore, students and employees should always keep their personal belongings locked in the student lockers, which have been provided. The school encourages students and staff not to bring expensive jewelry, money, or other valuables to the school. Such items should be left at home in order to reduce the chance of theft.

The school reserves the right to prosecute any student or employee to the full extent of state and United States federal law for any criminal violation committed on the school premises. The school will take into consideration the specifics of any student who may be accused of a crime on a case-by-case basis, which may include suspension or termination from school. Criminal violations may include, but may not be limited to the following:

- Murder
- Rape
- Forcible sex offenses
- Non-forcible sex offenses
- Robbery/theft

Simple or aggravated assault Further preventative measures include:

- 1. Students and/or employees shall *not* be permitted to consume illegal or controlled substances, including alcoholic beverages, during school hours or at school functions.
- 2. Students and/or employees shall *not* be permitted to have any illegal or otherwise dangerous weapons in their possession or on school property. Such a violation will result in the confiscation of the weapon, possible prosecution, and possible termination from enrollment or employment.
- 3. Students and/or employees must keep their property securely locked in the designated areas in order to prevent theft.
- 4. Students and/or employees must park in the designated areas and should always keep their cars securely locked.
- 5. Students and/or employees must never remain alone within the facility after closing without administrative approval. If approval has been given, the outside door must remain locked at **ALL** times, and the student/ employee must not allow any unauthorized individual entrance.
- 6. All employees should make certain that the offices remain securely locked at *all* times. When leaving the office, employees *must* always check the door to ensure it is secure.
- Employees should never lock the facility alone. Two people *must* always be present during locking procedures. The individuals should check to ensure that both have entered their vehicles safely upon leaving the school premises.
- 8. Students and/or employees shall report hazardous conditions (i.e., faulty or broken equipment, water leaks, chemical spills, exposed electrical wires, etc.) to the School Director for immediate attention.
- 9. The School Director shall handle all such hazards with appropriate caution and expedience. Proper procedures may require the School Director to notify the appropriate agencies (i.e., the poison control center, the fire department, the power company, etc.)
- 10. Students and/or employees shall not attempt to repair damaged electrical equipment or exposed wires. Instead, such problems should be reported to the administration.
- 11. Damaged or dangerous structural conditions shall be reported to the School Director immediately.
- 12. Students and/or employees should handle all equipment within the manufacturer's specifications. The school will not be responsible for accidents caused by the inappropriate or negligent use of any of its equipment.
- 13. Students and/or employees shall not be permitted to use unauthorized equipment. The school will not accept liability for accidents involving unapproved equipment.

- Students and/or employees with unusual or serious health conditions are encouraged to report such conditions upon admission or employment. Arrangements must be made with his or her physician for appropriate preventative measures. All such conditions *will* be kept confidential among school management.
- Unlawful consumption or possession of alcohol or other controlled or illegal substance
- Hate crime including larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, or vandalism
- Burglary There must be evidence of both trespass and intent to commit a felony or theft.
- Larceny Larceny is the illegal taking and carrying away of personal property belonging to another with the purpose of depriving the owner of its possession.

CRIMINAL & ACCIDENT REPORTING PROCEDURES:

The school does not have individual campus security. All crimes are reported to the local police department for investigation and action. We encourage all students and employees to timely report all crimes to: <u>Mary Pernatozzi, School Owner</u> who will promptly contact local authorities to address the issue. If you need to seek counseling, please contact the Pittsburgh Counseling Center

Victims and witnesses are encouraged to report crimes, but it is solely on a voluntary basis.

- In the event of a burglary or robbery:
 - Remain calm and agreeable with the culprit(s).
 - Do not attempt any heroic measures.
 - Report all burglaries to the local police.
 - When reporting a burglary or robbery:
- Indicate the name of the institution.
- Indicate your name.
- Indicate the date and time of the incident.
- Indicate any injuries if known.
- Indicate the number of suspects involved.
- Indicate any descriptive information.
- In the event of larceny:
 - Remain calm and agreeable with those involved.
 - Do not attempt to determine if any person is innocent or guilty.
 - Report all larceny to the local police department for investigation.
- Indicate the name and address of the school.
- Indicate your name.
- Indicate the date and time of the incident.
- Indicate any injuries if known.
- Indicate the name(s) of those involved or any witnesses.
- Indicate any descriptive information.
- In the event of an accident:
 - Report the event to the School Director or manager on duty.
 - The School Director or manager on duty will do the following:
- Determine if emergency help is needed. If so, he or she will call the appropriate agency.
- Complete an accident report. Include the cause, the name(s) of those involved, the date, the time, the circumstances, a
- Report all information to the management.
- If necessary, notify parents and family of the victim(s).
- In the event of a general emergency within the school's premises, please notify the school's administration

immediately and remain calm. The school personnel are trained in emergency response and evacuation procedures. The School Director will determine whether a significant emergency exists by evaluating the situation and consulting with local police authorities. If the School Director is not available, notify your Instructor or supervisor or someone in charge.

- If a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or staff occurring on campus exists in which students and staff are in danger, an immediate announcement will be made School Owner or Supervisor who will notify the student body and staff of the emergency and the steps to follow. The safety of our students and staff is of the utmost importance to us; if in the judgment of the police, it is better to postpone making the announcement in order to assist a victim, or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency, we will do so until it is determined to be safe. Police authorities will be contacted for assistance. Do not exit
- the building unless you have been directly instructed to do so. It may be safer to stay in the school premises in a lockdown mode. Please listen to all announcements from the School Owner or Supervisor and follow the directions given over the intercom; remain calm. The staff will direct you where to go in the event of an emergency in order to ensure your safety.
- The school will review its evacuation plans and procedures during the orientation on the first day of class or hire, as well as yearly with the student body and staff. The school will also conduct announced emergency response and evacuation tests annually in order for the staff and students to clearly understand the procedures.
- Students and staff are expected to be present on those days. Each test will be documented in the school's records as to the date, time, and whether it was an announced or unannounced test.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In an emergency, evacuation of the school should proceed as rapidly and safely as possible. The plan accounts for two scenarios of evacuation, which are:

1. In-place evacuation: keeping students and staff members in place but securing the location for the emergency at hand.

2. On-site evacuation: movement of students and staff members out of the building affected and relocation to another area near the school.

FIRE

1. Evacuate the area of the fire. (Always stay low as smoke and heated gasses collect near the ceiling first.)

2. Activate the fire alarm (if so equipped).

3. Call 911, indicating the need for assistance from the fire department and law enforcement. Other communication networks should be identified and utilized in the event that the fire has caused the telephone system to become out of order.

4. Evaluate the situation; determine quickly, if possible, the size, nature, and location of the fire within the facility.

5. Upon the arrival of the fire department, the School Owner or Supervisor shall establish contact with the senior fire department official and coordinate subsequent activities with him or her.

6. Make certain that all students and staff members are accounted for and safe. Move to another location as required. A fire deemed in any way to be a threat to the safety of the students or the staff calls for evacuation to the outside area, away from the building.

7. Any of the steps above may be done simultaneously as the number of staff members on duty permits. The decision not to follow any of these steps is justifiable only when there is certainty that there is no imminent danger.

8. If the fire is small, any of the facility's fire extinguishers may be used to extinguish it, if the staff

member has received proper training. Although there should be no hesitation regarding the use of fire extinguishers, the fighting of any fire by staff members should be undertaken only if there is no imminent danger.

ILLNESS OR INJURY

A. MINOR

- 1. Treat with medical supplies on hand.
- 2. Evaluate periodically to see if further medical attention is required.

B. MAJOR

- 1. Employ first aid techniques as trained, if needed.
- 2. Contact 911 if immediate medical attention is required.

3. If an illness or an injury requires a doctor's care, but emergency services are not required, the staff members should then arrange for transportation to the emergency room, clinic, or hospital.

BOMB THREATS

1. Any bomb threat should be treated as real until proven otherwise.

2. Unidentified or suspicious objects should be reported to the authorities.

3. Evacuation should be to an outdoor area as far from the building as safely possible. The area to be evacuated should be searched quickly before evacuation.

4. Upon arrival of law enforcement authorities, the facility director, or designee, will assist with the search (i.e., unlocking doors, identifying strange or suspicious objects, etc.)

5. The appropriate authorities should be consulted prior to reentry into the building.

UTILITIES AND MAINTENANCE EMERGENCIES

A. GAS LEAK

- 1. If any staff member or student smells gas, act quickly.
- 2. Open windows immediately.
- 3. Call 911 and report the possible gas leak.
- 4. Do not turn any electrical switches on OR off. Eliminate all flames.
- 5. Check all gas taps and turn them off.
- 6. If necessary, turn off the gas main. The shutoff valve is next to the meter.
- 7. If the gas odor remains strong, evacuate the area immediately.
- 8. Do not return to the building until the fire department announces it is safe.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In the event of a fire, bomb threat, electrical, chemical, or other emergency that would require the evacuation of the building, all staff members should adhere to the following:

- 1. Call 911, indicating the need for assistance from the local fire department and law enforcement.
- 2. Make certain all students and staff members are accounted for and are safe.
- 3. Evacuate all students and staff members to an area as far from the building as safely practical.

a. Adhere to predetermined evacuation routes, if possible; however, do not hesitate to adjust these routes to avoid dangerous areas.

- b. All students and staff members with special needs are to be assisted as needed.
- 4. Conduct a second head count for students and staff members.
- 5. Notify the School Owner or Supervisor as soon as possible.

6. Do not approach or reenter the building until consultation with the proper authorities.

TORNADO/SEVERE WEATHER WATCHES AND WARNING PROCEDURES

1. The safe place designated by the School owner or Supervisor: South Hills Location : Basement Lunch Break room, North Hills Location: Middle Classroom away from Windows

a. All students and staff will be moved to the designated location.

b. Maintain flashlight and voice contact among staff members at all times.

Make sure to conduct a head count before moving to a safe place, after arriving at a safe place, and after leaving the designated area.

- 2. After there is absolute certainty that the storm has passed:
 - a. The staff members should conduct a head count.
 - b. Provide any necessary first aid and call 911 for any necessary response agencies.
 - c. Check the entire building for any damages such as fire, water, or structural.
 - d. Turn on and test utilities.
- 3. Notify the School Director or Supervisor as soon as possible with an update of conditions.
- 4. Notify any agents that services are needed.

STUDENT RIGHT TO KNOW POLICY:

All criminal activity and accidents that occur on the school premises must be reported to the School Owner or Supervisor who must keep a confidential file on the circumstances surrounding each incident. The School Director or Supervisor must make the information available to the employees and students, although he or she will keep personal information, such as names, confidential. The school may withhold information if there is clear and convincing evidence that the release of the Information would jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation or the safety of an individual; cause a suspect to flee or evade detection; or result in the destruction of evidence. The school will only withhold that information that would cause the adverse effect described. The school will disclose any information withheld once the adverse effect described is no longer likely to occur. The School Director or supervisor shall use the following procedures for informing students and employees of criminal activity and accidents:

1.School will Notify student body of a general account of any criminal activity that may have occurred will be given.

2. On occurrence, the school will notify student body of a general account of any criminal incident and/or accident will be posted in the lounge for student access. Confidential information will not be available.

3. A confidential file will be kept that describes each accident and criminal incident in detail. The file must include dates, times, names, extenuating circumstances, agencies notified, etc.

4. During the announcements, emphasis will be placed on accident and crime prevention.

5. Statistics regarding the incidence of rape, burglary, drug violations, motor vehicle theft, murder, and simple or aggravated assaults that occurred within the institution will be available to any and all students and/or employees upon request.

6. Statistics concerning the number of arrests for on-campus crimes of murder, forcible and non-forcible sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, liquor law violations, drug law violations, illegal weapon possessions, arson, negligent manslaughter, and non-negligent manslaughter during the calendar years of 2020 2021 & 2022 are listed.

7. The school will identify where on campus the crime occurred, such as in the school building, in front of the school, or in the parking lot.

Type of Crime	Number of Occurrences			Number of Arrests 0		
Murder	2020 0	2021 0	2022	2020	2021 0	2022 0
		-	-		-	0
	0	0	0	0	0	
Sex Offenses (forcible)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses (non-forcible)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0
Simple or Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Drug Law Violations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illegal Weapons Possessions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Race*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Gender*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Religion*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on National Origin*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Gender Identity*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Sexual Orientation*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Ethnicity*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Disability*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Larceny**	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Theft						
(except motor vehicle)**	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Simple Assault***	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Intimidation***	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Destruction to Property**	•	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes based on Damage to Property****	0	0	0	0	0	0

ADOMESTIC VIOLENCE additional Resources

Alle-Kiski Area HOPE Center (Alle-Kiski Valley)

24/7 Hotline 724-224-1266

https://www.akhopecenter.org/

Crisis Center North (Northern Suburbs of Allegheny County)

24/7 Hotline 412-364-5556 24/7

Toll Free Hotline 1- 866-782-0911

Text (SMS) line 412-444-7660

https://www.crisiscenternorth.org/

Center for Victims (Mon-Yough Area and Allegheny County) 24/7 Hotline 1-866-644-2882

https://www.centerforvictims.org/

Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate (State of Pennsylvania) Hotline 1- 800-563-6399

https://www.ova.pa.gov/

National Domestic Violence Hotline (Nationwide) 24/7 Hotline 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

https://www.thehotline.org/

Text to 911 (Allegheny County)

If you are unable to call 911, you may text to 911 in Allegheny County.

To send a text to 911, enter "911" in the "To" field. Send a short message of no more than 160 characters, including the location of the emergency and the type of help needed. Be prepared to answer follow up questions or instructions from the 911 dispatcher.

Reminder to silence your cell phone so that message responses from 911 do not send an alert sound that may be heard by an abusive partner.

Drug and Alcohol Service Providers

- <u>Allegheny Correctional Health Services, Inc.</u> serves incarcerated adults including intervention.
- <u>Allegheny County Department of Human Services Drug and Alcohol Services</u> provides information and referral services only for residents of Allegheny County who are uninsured or underinsured.
- Alpha House provides outpatient and residential drug-free rehabilitation.
- Central Outreach Resource and Referral Center provides intervention, case management, and advocacy; (412) 471-9806.
- Community Care Behavioral Health (CCBH)- provides services for Medical Assistance (Medicaid) members.
- <u>Cove Forge Behavioral Health Services of Pittsburgh</u> provides assessment, outpatient therapy, intensive outpatient services, and partial hospitalization programs.
- **Diversified Care Management** provides intensive case management; (412) 253-1136 (no website available).
- **East End Cooperative Ministries** provides prevention services; (412) 361-5549.
- First Step Recovery Homes, Inc. provides recover support services and counseling.
- <u>Gateway Rehabilitation Center</u> provides partial hospitalization, outpatient, and intensive outpatient services.
- <u>Greenbriar Treatment Center</u> proves partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient services.
- House of the Crossroads provides non-hospital inpatient rehabilitation and outpatient services; 1 (866) 720-3784 (no website available).
- <u>Mercy Behavioral Health</u> provides outpatient, intensive outpatient, and partial hospitalization services.
- <u>Mon Yough Community Services, Inc.</u> provides crisis and intake assessments, prevention, outpatient, and intensive outpatient services.
- Next Step Foundation provides outpatient and transitional living services.
- <u>Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery (POWER)</u> provides services to mothers, pregnant women, and women caring for children. Services include residential treatment program, partial hospitalization, outpatient, and intensive outpatient.
- **<u>Persad</u>** provides outpatient services to the LGBT community, including substance abuse treatment.
- <u>Prevention Point Pittsburgh</u> provides intervention services.
- **Pyramid Health Care, Inc.** provides residential drug-free rehabilitation and detoxification, outpatient, and intensive outpatient services.
- **<u>Renewal, Inc.</u>** provides inpatient, outpatient, and residential drug-free rehabilitation.
- <u>Salvation Army Harbor Light Center</u> provides intensive outpatient, outpatient, and residential treatment services.
- <u>Sojourner House</u> provides residential drug-free rehabilitation for women and their children.
- <u>Tadiso, Inc.</u> provides methadone treatment, outpatient, and partial hospitalization services.
- <u>Turtle Creek Alternatives</u> provides prevention, intervention, outpatient, and intensive outpatient services.

- <u>University of Pittsburgh (UPMC) Addiction Medicine Services</u> provides services in a number of different areas.
 - UPMC Mercy Detoxification (412) 232-4080
 - UPMC Center for Psychiatric and Chemical Dependency (412) 246-5935
 - **UPMC WPIC Living Sober** (412) 476-4071
 - UPMC Narcotics Addiction Treatment Program (412) 363-7383
- <u>White Deer Run, Inc.</u> provides assessment, outpatient therapy, intensive outpatient services, and partial hospitalization programs

Drug and Alcohol Advocacy Services

- <u>Allegheny Healthchoices, Inc.</u> looks to assure equitable access to quality, costeffective behavioral healthcare while promoting positive clinical outcomes and recovery.
- <u>Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery</u> promotes recovery and supports those n recovery.
- <u>Consumer Action Response Team (CART)</u> records feedback about any mental health or drug/alcohol services received and reports concerns in writing to the provider.
- <u>Director's Action Line (DAL)</u> specialists will address concerns and answer questions about services provided by the Allegheny County Department of Human Services.
- Message Carriers of Pennsylvania, Inc. provides drug and alcohol networking.