UNIVERSITY POLICE
ACTIVE SHooter SAFETY INFORMATION

WHAT IS AN ACTIVE SHOOTER?
An active shooter is an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to harm people in a confined and populated area, typically through the use of firearms.

RUN HIDE FIGHT®

Run
- Identify an escape route and safely evacuate the area.
- Leave your belongings and get as far away as you can.
- Take charge if necessary, and help others if and when possible.
- Indecision can cost lives; act quickly to remove yourself from harm.

Hide
- Lock the doors.
- Relocate to a place away from the attacker's view.
- Look for items to barricade entry points.
- Turn off the lights.
- Close blinds and curtains.
- Silence cellular devices.
- Use items such as desks and cabinets to provide cover.
- Do not huddle together.
- Maintain awareness and be prepared to fight.

Fight
- Identify items that can be used as a weapon, such as fire extinguishers, chairs, heavy bags, skateboards, hot coffee, and water bottles.
- Work together to combat the attacker and be as aggressive as possible.
- Commit to your actions until you overcome the threat.

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS
- Officers will need to identify the suspect. Keep your hands visible by raising them and spreading your fingers.
- Officers are concerned with stopping the attack rather than treating injuries.
- After the initial officers arrive, emergency responders and law enforcement officials will form rescue teams to treat injured people.
- Make sure to follow officers’ instructions.
- You may be asked to provide a physical description of the attacker(s), the number of victims, and a description of the weapon(s).

EMERGENCY ALERTS
Visit SDSU.EDU/SDSUALERt to ensure you are signed up for SDSU Alerts. Update your contact information as needed.

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WARNING SIGNS OF A POTENTIAL ACTIVE SHOOTER

People who are at risk of hurting themselves or others may show signs before committing an act of violence. Unfortunately, well-meaning bystanders may resist reporting information to police in fear of mislabeling someone. Many times, there are identifiable factors related to a violent attack.

It is important to know that one sign alone does not mean a person is planning an act of violence. Multiple signs over a period of time may reveal that someone is in need of assistance.

ASK YOURSELF:

- Is the person researching and planning an attack?
- Is there a fixation on a target?
- Has this person communicated harmful threats?
- Has this person expressed any end-of-life planning?
- Do you notice any life-pattern changes or withdraws?

REPORT A TIP OR INFORMATION

ALWAYS CALL 9-1-1 FOR EMERGENCIES

University Police Department Non-Emergency
University Police Investigations Tip Line

(619) 594-1991
(619) 594-4636

police@sdsu.edu
policeinvestigations@sdsu.edu

WHEN YOU CALL...

SDSU Police receives information

Officers respond if urgent. If non-urgent, the Investigations Unit works with the Threat Management Team.

University Police work with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies to complete the investigation.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

IN-PERSON TRAINING
Would you like an on-site, personalized safety training? We will come to your office, classroom, or facility to provide tailored training for your specific needs. Email cro.pd@sdsu.edu.

ONLINE RESOURCES
Visit police.sdsu.edu/activeshootersafety for more information.

WATCH THE VIDEO
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