

American Baptist College

Annual Security & Fire Safety Report

2024

The Office of the Executive Vice President at American Baptist College is responsible for preparing and distributing this report. In collaboration with other internal units and external agencies/resources, the information contained and/or referenced herein is compiled annually.

We encourage members of the campus community to use this federally mandated report as a guide for safe practices on and off campus. This report will be available on the College's website at <http://www.abcnash.edu/about/college-policies> on or before October 15, 2024. Each member of the college community receives notification that describes the report and provides its Web address. **American Baptist College is extremely proud that its campus community has experienced no reportable crime or fire events for the relevant reporting period (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024)**

Located at 1800 Baptist World Center Drive, on the second floor of the Flakes Administration Building, the Office of the Director, Campus Operations and Facilities is open 8 hours each weekday, during the school year. However, security personnel overseen by this office can be reached 24 hours a day.

Following are telephone numbers to utilize in the event law enforcement or security assistance is needed:

- Metropolitan Nashville Police Department - **911 (emergency assistance)**
- Metropolitan Nashville Police Department - **615-862-8600** (non-emergency assistance)
- ABC Director of Campus Facilities and Operations – **615-687-6926** or **615-512-1833** (oversight of on-campus security personnel)
- ABC Campus Security Station – **615-687-6927** (on-campus security assistance)

The telephone number for routine business calls seeking the assistance of the Office of the Director, Campus Operations and Facilities is x-6926 (off campus it is 615-687-6926). A notice of these important numbers is placed in each residential facility on campus.

Campus security is provided by Security Personnel, Utility Personnel and contracted security personnel dedicated to providing best-in-class service to the American Baptist College community. Security personnel are on duty or on call 24 hours a day. The Director of Campus Operations and Facilities also answers calls for service, dispatches officers and other emergency services to incidents, and fire alarms. The safety of the campus is also supported by personnel who serve as Residence Life staff and carry out a variety of roles, including oversight for residential students and units.

The mission of every person involved in supporting campus security is to enhance the living, learning, and working experience at American Baptist College by protecting life, maintaining order, and safeguarding property. This purpose is fulfilled by providing our campus community with a range of services that meet the highest professional standards of campus public safety.

American Baptist College is committed to campus safety and security. Exterior lighting and landscape control are critical parts of that commitment. Representatives from various departments continually conduct security surveys to ensure campus lighting is adequate and that the landscaping is appropriately

controlled. We encourage community members to report any deficiency in lighting or other unsafe conditions to the office of the Director of Campus Operations and Facilities at x-6926. Any community member who has a concern about physical security may also contact the Office of the Chief of Staff.

Security and Utility Personnel also work together with the campus community to identify inoperative locking mechanisms. We encourage community members to promptly report any locking mechanism deficiency to the Director of Campus Operations and Facilities at Ex-6926, or to any Security or Utility Personnel.

Utility Personnel are available to respond to calls for service regarding unsafe facility conditions or for personal safety and property protection. These conditions also may include unsafe steps or handrails, unsafe roadways on campus, and unsecured equipment.

Several departments/units at American Baptist College provide educational programming to bring awareness to the entire community on safety; on and off campus. **Academic Affairs** provides a course on Sexuality and the Black Church to enlighten the student body on the relationship between spirituality and sexuality in general and sexual misconduct and abuse in particular. The Office of **Student Success** plans social activities that seek to enlighten the campus community such as a Drug and Alcohol abuse prevention programs; Trivia nights that highlight safety and security on campus; as well as live and on-line Sexual Assault seminars and trainings. **Residence Life** provides meetings to discuss the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, the Robby Nottingham Campus Crime Scene Investigation Act of 2004 and fire safety awareness and drills.