Denmark Technical College
Department of Public Safety

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In the event of an emergency
Dial: 911

To receive emergency notifications, please do the following:
1. On DTC Home page Click on “View latest Updates”.
2. Scroll down to Panther Notification System (PNS)
   Click Learn More to get to PNS
   Click Access Portal
3. Sign-in or Sign-up

Below are some recommendations to help you through this process:
1. When establishing an account your College Username may be easier for you to remember.
2. Sign-up for both types of notification (text and email). If you don’t have a cellular phone choose two different email addresses.

Denmark Tech Department of Public Safety’s Active Shooter Response.

♦ One DTC Police Officer is trained and certified as a National/State Active Shooter Instructor.

♦ All sworn officers have been trained in rapid deployment/active shooter tactics.

♦ Training is updated and improved as new techniques are developed so that officers are abreast of current trends and tactics.

Community Response to an Active Shooter
Law Enforcement Response
In response to active shooter incidents, DTC Department of Public Safety has developed and trained in rapid deployment tactics to deal with these threats.

What is an active shooter?
Active shooter attacks are dynamic incidents that vary greatly from one attack to another. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) defines an active shooter as "an individual actively engaged in killing or attempting to kill people in a confined and populated area."

What is Rapid Deployment?
"The swift and immediate deployment of law enforcement resources to on-going, life-threatening situations where delayed deployment could otherwise result in death or great bodily harm to innocent persons." - National Tactical Officers Association (1999)

Recommended Actions
How you respond must be determined by your specific circumstances.

Remember,
There may be more than one shooter.

If an active shooter is OUTSIDE your building
- Proceed to a room that can be locked.
- Close, lock, and barricade windows and doors.
- Turn off the lights.
- Get down low ensuring that you are not visible from the outside.
- Silence all cellular phones and remain quiet.
- Have one person call 911.
- Do not unlock the door or respond to voices unless you are absolutely certain it is the police.

If an active shooter is INSIDE your building
- Determine whether the room can be locked.
- If so, follow the instructions above.
- If not, determine if there is a nearby room that can be locked and whether it's safe to proceed there or whether it's safe to escape outside.

If an active shooter enters your room
- Try to remain calm.
- If possible, dial 911. If you cannot speak, leave the line open to allow the dispatcher to hear what is going on.
- If you are unable to escape or hide, act within your abilities, but do not do anything to further jeopardize your safety.
- If the shooter leaves, proceed immediately to a safer location.

What to expect from the Police
Responding officers are trained to proceed immediately to the shooter. Depending on the circumstances they may pass you by in an attempt to reach the shooter. If you can direct them to the shooter, do so, but do NOT attempt to halt their movement.
Responding officers may not know the identity of the shooter and may therefore treat anyone they encounter as a possible suspect. If you encounter police, keep your hands visible and follow all commands given. Keep in mind that you may be told to get on the ground and you may be restrained until officers are able to resolve the situation.

What to Report
The police will need specific information:
- Building name/room number
- Number of suspects, detailed descriptions (age, race, gender, clothing, physical features, etc.)
- Type of weapons (handgun, long gun, explosives, etc.)
- Number of victims and types of injuries.