UAH Emergency Lock Down Drill Notice

UAH will conduct a campus-wide lockdown drill on August 7, 2013, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The drill is designed to help students, faculty, and staff practice the steps they would take during a lockdown situation.

The campus-wide drill on August 7th will involve four steps. Everyone on campus is encouraged to participate in the drill.

Step 1: UAlert Activation

The drill will start at 10:00 a.m. with a UAlert announcement that the lockdown drill is underway. You must be registered with UAlert and provide valid voice and/or text message numbers in order to receive emergency messages by phone or text. If you have not already done so, please register your contact information with UAlert / Blackboard Connect now. Registration instructions may be found at <u>UALERT.UAH.EDU</u>.

Step 2: Building lock down

Electronic door locks on buildings so equipped will be engaged by the UAH Police Department.

During the drill, persons attempting to gain entry with their Charger ID cards to buildings with electronic access controls will not be able to enter. We will work quickly to return buildings to normal operations.

Step 3: Individuals seek shelter

When the drill begins, move to the nearest interior room and lock the door if possible. While in your shelter area, consider how you might improvise a barricade during an actual emergency if the door has no lock. Additional guidelines can be found here: http://www.uah.edu/emergency/procedures/lockdown. We encourage you to review and be familiar with these guidelines prior to the drill.

If you are outside a campus building when the drill begins, look around your location to see where you might take immediate cover if this were an actual emergency.

Step 4: After-action feedback and drill evaluation

Please take a moment at the conclusion of the lockdown drill to complete a brief survey: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/UAHLockdown. The survey will allow you to provide feedback on your experience during the drill. UAH officials will review the survey data along with other information collected during the drill to help identify ways for improving the overall safety of our campus.

For information on guidelines to follow in other campus emergencies, please consult the Emergency Action Guidelines handbook prominently displayed at many campus locations or visit the Emergency Information Website at EMERGENCY. UAH. EDU.

Additional information and instructional videos on lock-down procedures and active shooter situations are available through these links:

- Run, Hide, Fight http://www.homelandsecurity.alabama.gov/activeshooter.aspx
- Active Shooter Preparedness http://www.dhs.gov/active-shooter-preparedness
- Active Shooter: What You Can Do (online course): http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=is-907
- Active Shooter: How to Respond http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/active-shooter-booklet.pdf

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