

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY



Off-Campus Incident of Assault – HPD CFS # 2012-012877

TIMELY NOTIFICATION BULLETIN

Possible Threat to the Community "Your Right to Know" February 19, 2012

OFFENSE: Aggravated Assault

LOCATION: 700 Block of Port Republic Road, in the City of Harrisonburg

TIME: Early morning hours of Sunday, February 19, 2012 before 4:00 AM.

SUSPECT(s): (1) Light skinned male wearing jeans and a dark polo shirt (2) Unidentified Hispanic male

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In compliance with the "Timely Notice" provisions of the federal *Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1998* the University Police are giving notice of a incident reported to the Harrisonburg Police Department involving an alleged incident of Assault that occurred off-campus.

The Harrisonburg Police Department advises that they are investigating an incident that reportedly occurred Sunday morning, February 19, 2012. The victim (an 18-year-old male) reported that he got into an argument with an unknown male in the 700 block of Port Republic Road sometime before 4:00 AM. As the argument was taking place, the victim was approached by two other males. He was struck in the face and cut with an unknown object during the assault. After the assault, the victim left the area and later had a friend take him to RMH with non-life threatening injuries.

The case is still being actively investigated by law enforcement. Members of the University community are urged to be vigilant and report any unusual circumstances and/or suspicious activities/persons.

Anyone with information on this incident should text "HPD" plus the tip to 274637 (Crimes) or call Harrisonburg Crime Solvers at 540.574.5050 or the Harrisonburg Police Department Criminal Investigations Division at 540.437.2640, or contact the James Madison University Police by telephone at 540.568.6911; in person at the Public Safety Office in Anthony Seeger Hall, located at the intersection of West Grace and South Main Streets; or by e-mail to publicsafety@jmu.edu.

JMU and the City of Harrisonburg want to encourage everyone in the Community to exercise good crime prevention strategies all the time and to make these good daily habits. Close and lock all exterior doors and windows at night and anytime the area is left unattended whether it be for 5 minutes or 5 days to go to class, go to the store, visit a friend or leave town for the holiday. Be particularly cautious about leaving ground level doors and windows unsecured and even individual room and office doors in complexes where multiple occupants have access to common areas inside the perimeter of the residential, administrative and academic facilities. This warning also extends to vehicles. Car windows should be up, car doors should be locked and valuable contents should be secured out of sight.

The poster version of this message suitable for posting on bulletin boards in your area will be available in PDF or HTML versions at: <u>http://www.jmu.edu/pubsafety/IncidentListings.shtml</u>. Be careful to reconcile the case number and date on the poster version selected with that found at the head of this message.

Thank You and Stay Safe!