

ALICE® Active Shooter Response

SVCC implements the versatile ALICE Active Shooter Response plan on campus, detailed below:

ALERT – This is how notice will be broadcast throughout the campus. A key element to this is our Emergency Intercom System that will broadcast both audio and visual signals alerting you to the event, as well as any pertinent real time information. Other forms of alerts come through text messages, email notification, and directions from key personnel at the college.

LOCKDOWN – If Lockdown is determined to be the best course of action, proceed to barricade and take shelter in the room you occupy. Take note of all entry and exit points, as well as windows, and begin to secure them appropriately. Think critically and utilize the items at your disposal. Some examples include the use of desks, chairs, and bookshelves as barricades or neckties, belts, and cables as tie down points.

INFORM – This will go hand in hand with the Alert phase, with an emphasis on informing Emergency Response personnel like Police, Medical, and Security about any relevant information you may have.

COUNTER – As a last resort countering the shooter's attack can be a valid option. However, you should never leave a safe space to do, and is only utilized if you are in immediate danger and lockdown or evacuate are not an option. The goals here are to stress, distract, and disorient the aggressor. Keep in mind you may have numbers on your side, so swarming the shooter and controlling limbs and appendages can be effective.

EVACUATE – The primary goal of Evacuation is to clear the building in a SAFE manner. If the situation allows it, exiting through one of the many exterior doors is a useful option. The secondary goal of Evacuate is to clear the building in ANY manner. Again thinking critically to find alternate exit routes, utilizing options like windows or panels to evacuate and evade the shooter.

The ultimate success of the ALICE Response Plan is derived from its adaptability. The phases of ALICE are not meant to be sequential, but rather tactfully selected. This allows each individual to take the information present to determine the best course of action.

If you would like to review plans specific to your area of operation, or have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Campus Safety & Security:

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