

SUSPICIOUS PERSON/BEHAVIOR

In order to maintain a safe campus environment, all members of the John Carroll community have a responsibility to be aware of and contribute to our collective safety. One way to do this is by knowing what to do if you witness behavior that seems suspicious to you.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

1. Generally, you should not engage a person who is acting suspiciously. However if others are around, and you feel comfortable doing so, you can approach the person and ask “can I help you.” If this person legitimately needs help, they will appreciate the offer. If not, then he/she will know that they have been noticed, which may prevent potential criminal activity.
2. To report suspicious behavior, call John Carroll police as soon as you have some basic information. Be ready to give the dispatcher the following information:
 - a.) Your name, current location, and phone number where you can be reached.
 - b.) A description of the person(s) acting suspiciously to include:
 - Gender
 - Race
 - Approximate age
 - Approximate height and weight
 - Build (heavy-set, thin, medium build)
 - Hair color and length
 - Facial hair
 - Clothing type and color (hat, coat, shirt, pants/skirt or dress, shoes, gloves)
 - Other noticed features (glasses, jewelry, scars, tattoos, dental features, accent, etc.)
 - If a vehicle is involved, the make, model, color, and license plate.
 - c.) A description of the behavior that caused you to be suspicious.
 - d.) Where the suspicious person was last seen and direction of travel.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN

1. On campus, John Carroll police will respond, speak with you, and look for the suspicious person.
2. If this occurs off campus, police officers from the agency with jurisdiction will respond, speak with you, and look for the suspicious person.