



## The Parent/Guardian Checklist

Use this checklist to evaluate the college or university your student attends or is thinking about attending:

- How involved are they in the lives of their students?**
  - What assistance do they provide freshmen students in transitioning to college?
  - How do they support transfer students, international students, upperclassmen, and graduate students?
  
- How do they respond to substance abuse?**
  - What prevention programs do they have in place to educate students, staff, and faculty about alcohol and other drugs?
  - How do they intervene if a student is found intoxicated on-campus?
  - What programs or services do they provide for students struggling with substance abuse?
  
- Are students who live on-campus safe?**
  - How are connecting dorm rooms set up?**
    - If they are connected by a bathroom, are there locks on both sides of the door to protect students?

- If they are connected by a common living space, can students lock the doors to their own rooms?
- If not, how do they keep these students safe?
- How are residence halls secured?**
  - Is traffic into and out of the building monitored 24/7?
  - Do all entries and exits that are not monitored remain locked?
- What is the guest policy?**
  - Are there visitation hours that guests must adhere to?
  - Do guests have to sign-in when they enter the residence hall and sign-out when they leave?
  - Are guests allowed to stay over night?
  - Do students need the permission of their roommates and suitemates in order to have guests in their dorm room, suite, or apartment?
- Are students who live off-campus safe?**
  - Is transportation provided to and from campus, day and night?
  - Are public safety escorts available 24/7?
- Do they feel responsible for their students' safety?**
  - When a student's guest assaults a student?
  - When a staff or faculty member assaults a student?
  - A student assaults another student?
- How do they respond to sexual assault and its related forms of violence?**
  - What prevention programs do they have to educate students, staff, and faculty about sexual assault, domestic violence, and stalking?
  - How can students report a sexual assault to the college or university, whether or not domestic violence or stalking was

involved?

- How do they accommodate survivors, before and after the results of their perpetrator's disciplinary process?
- Do they support survivors throughout the reporting, disciplinary, legal, and healing processes, checking-in with them regularly?

**What health services do they provide for survivors?**

- Do they provide sexual assault forensic exams and STI/STD testing?
- Do they have a 24-hour mental health hotline and other crisis services?
- Do they offer individual counseling and group counseling or support groups?
- Do they provide psychological screening and psychiatric evaluation on-campus?
- Is there a pharmacy on-campus?
- How long can students access these services?
- Are these services free?

**How do they protect the scholarships, financial aid, or financial investment of a survivor?**

- When the survivor has to medically withdraw from some or all of their classes?
- The survivor needs to retake courses, complete summer school, or attend extra semesters of college?

