

A Parent's 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 upperclassmen 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 coed residence halls setup?**
 - Do men and women share the same dorm room, suite, or apartment?
 - Are men and women separated by floor or wing?
 - 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 of the opposite sex allowed to stay in a student's dorm room, suite, or apartment overnight?
 - 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?

- 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 mental health services do they provide for survivors?**
 - Do they have a 24-hour 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?

