

Shawnee State University

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1.0 PURPOSE

Shawnee State University is committed to the health and wellbeing of its students, faculty and staff. The purpose of this policy is to provide programs for advising and for providing information to students, faculty and staff of the resources available on and off the campus of Shawnee State University for the prevention of suicide. This policy serves to further the University's commitment in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3345.37.

2.0 SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAMMING

2.1 The Vice President for Academic & Student Affairs (Provost), whose division includes Counseling Services, and the Vice President for Finance and Administration, whose division includes Human Resources, shall be responsible for establishing and identifying avenues for students, faculty, and staff of available on-campus and off-campus programming and other resources for suicide prevention. Such programming and other resources shall include, but not be limited to:

2.1.1 Crisis intervention access that includes information for national, state and local suicide prevention hotlines;

2.1.2 Mental health program access that includes information on the availability of local mental health clinics, and student health and counseling services;

2.1.3 Multimedia application access that includes crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs, resources offered, and free-of-cost applications;

2.1.4 Student communication plans that include educational and outreach activities on suicide prevention;

2.1.5 Postvention plans that include a strategic plan to effectively communicate with students, staff, and parents following the loss of a person to suicide.

3.0 MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION

The Provost shall ensure that all incoming students are provided with information about mental health topics, including depression and suicide prevention resources available to students. The information provided to students shall include available mental health services and other support services, including student-run organizations for individuals at risk of or affected by suicide.

4.0 UNIVERSITY WEB PAGE

University web pages shall be established for students, faculty and staff that provide information on suicide prevention as described in this policy.

Related Links:

[Counseling & Psychological Services](#)

[When to Refer a Student](#)

[Traumatic Event Information](#)

[Student Resources](#)

[Employee Assistance Program](#)

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