

Suspicious Activity Examples

Suspicious activity can sometimes be hard to identify. Is the person you don't recognize a new student or faculty? Is the person behaving oddly just having a bad day? Is the person loitering by the door just waiting for their friend? Often when someone sees something suspicious or hears something concerning, they do not report it because they aren't 100 percent certain. So, what is suspicious activity and how can we feel comfortable identifying and reporting it?

Suspicious activity is any behavior or incident that deviates from the norm and that may indicate a future crime or security incident. Within your community, you know what is normal and can identify when something or someone is out of place. When you notice something suspicious, feel empowered to confidently report your concern so that to the right people can look into it.

LiveSafe makes it easy to report suspicious behavior with only a few clicks on your smartphone (LiveSafe Mobile Platform) or computer (LiveSafe Web Tip Submit). When you report an incident of suspicious activity using LiveSafe, it automatically routes the information to relevant campus or school safety officials. They can then look into the concern, collect additional information if needed, and respond accordingly to keep your community safe.

See the next page for examples of suspicious activity that will resonate with your community. Sharing these examples will help inform your community about what suspicious activity looks or sounds like so they feel more confident about reporting unusual behavior or incidents.

1. Loitering outside of campus buildings or in dormitory hallways

See someone nervously waiting outside a dorm hall entrance, looking like they are trying to get into the building? Report your concern.

2. Trying to gain access to a building or other secure space

See someone snooping around a building or looking for unlocked doors or windows? Report your concern.

3. Wearing winter clothes when its warm

See someone wearing a puffy jacket or trench coat when it's warm outside? Report your concern.

4. Having a threatening conversation

Overhear two people arguing and threatening to harm themselves or others? Report your concern.

5. Acting odd in the common spaces on campus

See someone unfamiliar in the library looking at people's laptops and bags? Report your concern.

6. Toggling dorm room doors

*See someone walking down the dorm hallway toggling door handles to see if they are unlocked?
Report your concern.*

7. Leaving a bag behind

See someone walk into the student center or a popular building, leave their bag, and walk out of the building? Report your concern.