



2023 Annual Security Report

Crime Statistics Calendar Years 2020 - 2021 - 2022



This report is meant to provide the College community with security and safety information and campus crime statistics in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure Act.

For additional safety and security information, please
Visit the College Police website at:
www.middlesexcc.edu/campuspolice

Clery Act and Crime Reporting

The Clery Act was enacted by Congress to advance campus security and safety. It is named after Jeanne Clery, a 19 year old Lehigh University freshman who was assaulted and murdered in her dormroom in April 1986. The Clery Act provides students at postsecondary institutions with a safer environment and keeps campus communities informed of security and safety issues that can prevent campus victimization.

The Act requires institutions of higher education to:

1. Make public its campus security policies.
2. Collect, report and disseminate to the campus community and the U.S. Department of Education certain crime data.
3. Give timely warning of crimes that represent a threat to the safety of students or employees.
4. Create, maintain and make available for public inspection a daily crime log.

The law requires colleges and universities receiving federal funding to prepare, publish, and distribute by October first of each year, a campus security policy and statistics.

Middlesex College's report is available online at <https://www.middlesexcc.edu/campus-police/wp-content/uploads/sites/26/2021/2021-annual-campus-security-report.pdf> for by going to the Middlesex College Police website

The majority of the cases handled by Middlesex College Police Department are non-criminal matters such as medical emergencies, motor vehicle accidents, traffic control, fire alarms, property loss, and other public service calls.

Information on public safety matters, including any crimes, is reported to the Police Department by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure Act.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to ask questions. Any questions about safety on campus can be directed to the College Police Department at 548-5000 x3500.

To report an emergency or incident while on campus, dial extension 2500 or 9-1-1. From off campus or using a cell phone, dial 732-2500. Emergency Call Boxes are located in classroom building hallways and can also be found in the following parking lots: Parking Lot #1, #2, #4, #5, #6#6A, and in front of the Johnson Learning Center. The emergency call boxes are dialed directly to Police Headquarters.

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College Police Department

Education ~ Service ~ Protection

Middlesex College one of the oldest and largest community colleges in New Jersey opened its first class of students in 1966. The campus consists of 25 buildings situated on 210 acres and has a current enrollment of more than 2000 students. As in virtually any setting today, people are understandably concerned about their safety, crime prevention and crime statistics. The Middlesex College Department of Police is responsible for the protection of life and property on campus.

The College Police are professional law enforcement officers with full police powers under Title 18A, State of New Jersey. Each officer must complete a rigorous training course approved by the Police Training Commission before being assigned to active duty. Officers continue their

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Emergency Procedures

In an emergency, dial 9-1-1 or extension 2500 from any on-campus telephone or from cell phone by dialing 732-906-2500 or from any of the emergency call boxes which are located in the lobbies and/or corridors of all major classroom buildings. Outdoor emergency call boxes are located in front of West Hall/Lot #1, the Johnson Learning Center and in Parking lots #2, #4, #5, #6 and #6A. For non-emergencies, dial extension 3500 from any campus telephone.

Criminal Activity Reporting

If you observe a crime in progress or behavior that you suspect is criminal, notify the College Police at 732-906-2500 immediately. Report as much information as possible including:

- What the person(s) is doing
- Where it is happening
- Physical and clothing description of those involved
- Weapons involved and, if so, what type
- Description of car and license plate number, if appropriate
- Direction of travel

Do not approach or attempt to apprehend the person(s) involved. Stay on the telephone with the dispatcher and provide additional information as changes occur in the situation until a police officer arrives at your location.

We encourage you to report any crime regardless of how insignificant it may seem.

The Middlesex College Police Department has in place procedures for reporting crimes confidentially on its website. If you have personal knowledge or hear of a crime or incident that occurs on or off Middlesex College property, we need you to report it. This site is not intended for use with crimes that are in progress. You may access Anonymous Tips by going to <http://www.middlesexcc.edu/campuspolice/forms/>.

All information is kept strictly confidential. Police cannot trace the origin of the email. If you would like for us to contact you, there is a section at the bottom of the page where you may provide contact information. Your identity is revealed only with your consent. ALL INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

Police Department Response

The Police Department operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year in order to protect and serve all members of the College community and is ready to respond to a wide range of situations including all medical emergencies, fires, traffic accidents, violations of alcohol beverage regulations, the use, possession and/or sale of controlled dangerous substances and all other police-related matters. Civil or criminal charges may also be filed where warranted. In addition, student violations of College regulations are pursued through the Code of Student Conduct procedures which can be found at <https://www.middlesexcc.edu/studentlife/code-of-student-conduct/>

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The Police Department is responsible for conducting all criminal investigations on campus. A police officer will either be dispatched to your location or a report may be made at Police Headquarters.

All New Brunswick Center and Perth Amboy Center emergency situations should be reported to Center staff who will in turn contact the proper authorities. If the staff is unavailable, emergency calls should be placed to 911. Other individuals seeking to contact the College Police from off campus should dial 732-625-0000.

Timely Warning Policy

Middlesex College President or his/her designee is responsible for issuing timely warnings in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1092 (f) et. seq.

Campuswide timely warnings are provided to give students, faculty and staff timely notification of crimes and other events that may represent a serious or ongoing threat to the campus community.

The decision to issue a timely warning shall be decided on a case by case basis and in an effort to prevent similar crimes from occurring.

Timely warnings are usually addressed for serious or continuing crimes and may also be issued for other crimes, as deemed necessary. Receipt of all relevant information, such warning will, as circumstances warrant, be issued in a manner to best protect the campus community. The College issues/posts crime alerts for the following incidents:

1. Murder
2. Aggravated Assault cases involving assault among known parties

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Always lock lockers, never leave personal belongings in unlocked lockers.
Carry only a small amount of cash.
Engrave with personal I.D. nu

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The College's policy prohibits the sale of narcotics, hallucinogenic agents and abusive drugs (and the) unauthorized consumption and/or possession of these substances by students. This policy also prohibits student conduct at Middlesex College.

Employees are subject to appropriate action for legal and policy violations up to and including termination.

Preventing the Abuse of Alcohol and Drugs

The College offers numerous educational programs regarding drug and alcohol abuse. These programs are designed to provide students with the information and skills necessary to make responsible choices. The College's commitment to the whole person.

The College's comprehensive program includes a peer education and prevention organization that makes in-class presentations, plus distribution of substance abuse policies and procedures information to all students enrolled in credit courses. The College also offers student

Sex Offenses

Middlesex College has a policy and procedure for handling sexual harassment incidents. Sexual harassment becomes criminal if the perpetrator uses force, coercion, or threats to obtain sexual acts. Middlesex College policy that this behavior will not be tolerated.

Sex offenses, as all criminal acts, should be reported to the Department of Police. The victim will be transported to Roosevelt Hospital Rape Crisis Intervention Center, 827-3280, where medical attention and counseling will be provided.

Additional resources in Middlesex County include the Middlesex County Mental Health Center in Piscataway and the Raritan Bay Community Mental Health Center in Perth Amboy.

Counseling is available at the Middlesex College Counseling and Career Services Department in Edison Hall. Medical facilities are available at JFK Medical Center in Edison and Raritan Bay Medical Center in Perth Amboy.

The College Code of Student Conduct outlines disciplinary procedures and possible sanctions for violations of criminal statutes. Information on Code of Student Conduct can be found at <https://www.middlesexcc.edu/studentlife/code-of-student-conduct/>.

Sexual and Gender Harassment

Sexual harassment is prohibited by both federal and state law and violation of Middlesex College policy. It is objectionable and offensive behavior which cannot be condoned and is

In all instances of alleged sexual assault, the College shall respect the rights of the victim. However, refusal, however, does not relieve the College of the obligation to report the incident to the Campus Police.

Be an Active Bystander

Bystanders are the largest group of people involved in violence (sexual, dating and domestic). They greatly outnumber the perpetrators and the victims. Some bystanders know that a specific assault is happening or will happen. Some bystanders see an assault or a potential assault in progress. Bystanders have the power to stop assaults from occurring and to get help for people who have been victimized.

Take for example, the typical perpetrator of college sexual assaults. The person may be outwardly charming, have a lot of friends, and do not consider the actions to be wrong. People who know this person (bystanders) and might be friends with this person, often do not want women they care about (sisters, friends, etc.) to date or hang around this person. But when the behavior is directed at other women whom they are not close to, they often do not think they need to get involved. It might seem potentially illegal, but they do not know what they can do to make a difference.

As opposed to being the bystander who stands by and does nothing, we want to create a culture of bystanders who are actively engaged in the prevention of violence.

Safe and Positive Options for Bystander Interventions:

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Introduction

A college or university in a free society must be devoted to the pursuit of truth and knowledge through reason and open communication among its members. Academic communities acknowledge the necessity of being intellectually stimulating where the diversity of ideas is valued. Its rules must be conceived for the purpose of furthering and protecting the rights of all members of the College community in achieving these ends.

The boundaries of personal freedom are limited by applicable state and federal laws and institutional rules and regulations governing interpersonal behavior. In creating a community free from violence, sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact, respect for the individual and human dignity is of paramount importance.

The State of New Jersey recognizes that the impact of violence on its victims and the surrounding community can be severe and long lasting. Thus, it has established this Bill of Rights to articulate requirements for policies, procedures and services designed to ensure that the needs of victims are met and the colleges and universities in New Jersey create and maintain communities that support human dignity.

To have access to campus counseling under the terms and conditions as apply to other students in their institution seeking such counseling

To be informed of and assisted in exercising

Any rights to confidential or anonymous testing for sexually transmitted diseases, human immunodeficiency virus and/or pregnancy

Any rights that may be provided by law to compel and disclose the results of testing of sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases.

Campus Judicial Rights

To be afforded the same access to legal assistance as the accused.

To be afforded the same opportunity to have others present during any campus disciplinary proceeding that is allowed the accused.

To be notified of the outcome of the sexual assault disciplinary proceeding against the accused.

Legal Rights

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Informal Resolution

The hearing panel will generally have three members drawn from a small group of specially trained College administrators. In certain matters, the College may include retired judges, lawyers or other individuals with relevant experience and special training. Panelists will not be from the department of either the complainant or the respondent. All panelists will receive training from experts in the field at least once a year. In addition to training on how the adjudicatory process works, the training will include specific instruction about how to approach students about sensitive issues that may arise in the context of off-campus misconduct. The process begins.

Written Submissions

Both the complainant and respondent will have the opportunity to submit written responses to the investigation report and other relevant information to the hearing panel. Each of the complainant and respondent will have the opportunity to review any written submissions by the other. The hearing panel may set reasonable parameters for these written submissions. The hearing panel will review the investigation report and written submissions. The panel may determine that a hearing is not necessary when all three panel members agree that the information in the investigation report and the written submissions (if any) is sufficient to make a determination (for example, where the complainant and the respondent do not disagree about the relevant facts). If the panel decides that a hearing is not necessary, the panel will proceed directly to make

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The College Emergency Management Plan has been modeled after the New Jersey Emergency Management Operational Plan, which conforms to the Federal Emergency Management Agency regulation. The College is continuously working with our local, county and state partners in efforts to identify areas where we can make improvements in our plan.

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Although the plan is not available for public dissemination due to security reasons, any member of the public may contact us for further information.

How the Incident Command System works

The Incident Command System (ICS) structure is a flexible one that allows it to expand and contract as determined by the scope of the event. An example might be a fire with injuries. The initial command will rest with the responding police, who will turn over command to the fire department upon their arrival. The fire department will then turn over their command to EMS when the fire is under control for the care of the injured. The command may change again if the fire is considered to be suspicious in nature and be taken over by investigators. After that the command goes to those in charge with mitigating the site and returning campus back to its normal operation. Therein lays the plan and the hazards approach to disaster planning.

Campus wide notification regarding emergencies issued via various means including but not limited to text messaging, campus wide telephone messaging, college home web page and campus wide email. In order to receive text messaging

- < Personal Safety
- < Diversity Awareness
- < Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention
- < Alcohol and Safety

HOW DO I COMPLIMENT AN OFFICER?

If you feel an officer has performed his/her duties in a courteous, helpful or competent manner, you may express your appreciation in a number of ways:

- < Write a letter directly to the officer or to:
Acting Chief Michael Ambroziak
Middlesex College Police Department
2600 Woodbridge Avenue
Edison, NJ 08813050
- < To get help to report a crime or to report a safety hazard, visit <https://www.middlesexcc.edu/campus-police/forms/>
- < Contact any supervisor by telephone or in person at Police Headquarters.

HOW DO I MAKE A COMPLAINT?

The Middlesex College Police Department is a highly trained professional police department. In the interest of maintaining the highest caliber of police services and improving on any oversights in order to maintain the highest quality of service, all members of the community are encouraged to bring forward any complaints against any member of the Police Department.

Complaints against any member of the Police Department may be made to anyone in the department by email, telephone, fax, letter or in person regardless of your age or citizenship status. Complaints can also be accepted anonymously and all complaints are investigated thoroughly.

Complaints can be addressed to:

Internal Affairs Officer
Middlesex College Police Department
2600 Woodbridge Avenue
Edison, NJ 08813050

What happens to a complaint after it is received?

- < All complaints received by the Department are thoroughly investigated.
- < The person making the complaint will be contacted during the investigation for additional information.
- < The complainant will be kept abreast of the progress of the investigation.
- < The complainant will be notified by mail of the final disposition.

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incapacitated due to alcohol and/or other drugs or due to a temporary or permanent mental or physical condition. Silence, passivity or the lack of active resistance is not consent. Previous sexual activity does not equal current consent. Consent to one form of sexual activity does not equal consent to other forms of sexual activity. Consent can be withdrawn at any point.

Retaliation: Intimidating, threatening, coercing, or in any way discriminating against an

Drug Violation: Violation of state and local laws related to possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs. The relevant substances include opium or cocaine and their derivatives (morphine, heroin, codeine); marijuana; synthetic narcotics (Demerol, methadone(s)); and dangerous narcotic drugs (barbiturates, Benzedrine).

Weapons Violation: The violation of laws or ordinances regulating weapons.

Disciplinary Referrals: Incidents in which a student was arrested but was referred for College disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession.

Definitions of crime categories for Hate Crimes

Larceny is defined as the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from possession or constructive possession of another.

Simple Assault

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