

Illinois State University Police Department

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When a hostile person(s) is actively causing death or serious physical injury or the threat of imminent death or serious physical injury to person(s) on the campus, we recommend the following procedures be implemented:

- Run away from the threat if you can, as fast as you can.
- Contact University Police at 9-1-1 or 8-8631.
- Do not run in a straight line.
- Keep vehicles, bushes, trees, and anything that could possibly block your view from the hostile person(s) while you are running.
- If you can get away from the immediate area of danger, summon help and warn others.
- If you decide to hide, take into consideration the area in which you are hiding. Will I be found here? Is this really a good spot to remain hidden?
- If the person(s) is causing death or serious physical injury to others and you are unable to run or hide you may choose to play dead if other victims are around you.
- The last option you have if caught in an open area outside may be to fight back. This is dangerous, but depending on your situation, this could be your last option.
- If you are caught by the intruder and you are not going to fight back, do not look the intruder in the eyes, and obey all commands. Do not appear to pose a challenge—be submissive.
- Once the police arrive, obey all commands. This may involve your being handcuffed or made to put your hands in the air. This is done for safety reasons, and once circumstances are evaluated by the police, they will give you further directions to follow.

Note: The above information was taken from the **Campus Emergency Operations Planning Guidelines** from the *International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators (IACLEA)*