The Otterbein University CAMPUS SAFETY BULLETIN is intended to provide safety and security information to students, faculty and staff in order to help the campus community be aware of security concerns and assist in maintaining a safe and secure campus environment. If students, faculty, or staff have information to be distributed for urgent dissemination, contact the Otterbein University Police Department at 614-823-1222 or via e-mail at police@otterbein.edu.

CAMPUS SAFETY BULLETIN

Subject: Carrying Concealed Weapons - Firearms

Purpose: To publicize the Otterbein University policy concerning the carrying of concealed weapons.

Ohio State Law:
- Carrying a concealed firearm is prohibited and is classified as a fourth degree felony violation.
- However, Ohio law permits a properly licensed individual to carry a concealed firearm.
- In addition, these licensed individuals are not permitted to carry a concealed firearm into many prohibited places or any other place that is properly posted to prohibit concealed firearms.

Otterbein Policy:
- Otterbein University prohibits the possession, transport and storage of dangerous weapons on University owned or leased property including personal vehicles, or at any University sponsored function, regardless of whether or not the person is legally licensed to carry a weapon.
- **This policy applies to everyone** except law enforcement personnel engaging in official duties.
- The University reserves the right to search for weapons in accordance with legal search procedures.
- “Dangerous weapons” include, but are not limited to, handguns, firearms, explosives, knives and other weapons defined by federal, state or local laws and ordinances.
- All students and employees shall immediately report any suspected violation of this policy or be subject to disciplinary action. Violations will result in prompt action up to and including expulsion or termination.
- No one should risk confronting anyone carrying a weapon. Immediately contact law enforcement.

Otterbein Police are always working to keep the campus safe. Please do not hesitate to contact the Otterbein Police Department at (614) 823-1222 should you have any questions about this issue. We encourage your assistance in keeping your neighborhood, our campus, and the City of Westerville a safe environment for all.

If You See Something, Say Something and Say It Now! Otterbein Police are available 24-hours a day at 614-823-1222. All emergencies should be reported to 911 for an immediate police or life-saving response. Information on criminal activity not of an immediate nature can also be submitted anonymously on the Otterbein University website at www.Otterbein.edu. Select the tabs to Campus Life/Health & Safety/Campus Police. See the link to “Report a Crime Anonymously” which will take you to the “Silent Witness” form.