



# Aquinas College, Department of Campus Safety

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## CAMPUS CRIME ALERT BULLETIN

The Department of Campus Safety today received information from the Grand Rapids Police Department regarding increased reports of vehicle break-ins and one vehicle theft in the areas surrounding Aquinas College. This is in addition to multiple vehicle break-ins on Aquinas College property. Due to the ongoing investigations surrounding these incidents, more detailed information is not available at this time.

This bulletin is intended to serve as a reminder to all that we as individuals can help prevent many of the crimes that occur.

### Crime Prevention Tips:

- Pre-program the Aquinas College Department of Campus Safety phone number into your cell phone (616) 632-2462.
- DO NOT leave anything of value such as purses, car stereos, wallets, jewelry, books, navigation systems, laptops, CDs, cell phones or other electronic devices in plain sight in your vehicle. **ALWAYS** lock your car doors and close all windows.
- Immediately report any suspicious activities and/or person(s) loitering around any Aquinas College facilities and parking lots to the Department of Campus Safety.
- Be cognizant of your surroundings at all times... Walk in pairs, with a group of people or utilize the Aquinas College escort service.
- Lock your residence room whenever you are away... Even if you are gone for just a few moments. Residence rooms should also be locked when you sleep.
- DO NOT prop any exterior doors to residence halls/apartments/houses!
- Avoid leaving any valuables such as purses, wallets, keys, jewelry, coats, books, bikes, MP3 players or other electronic devices unattended for any length of time.
- Inspect all first-floor security screens/windows to ensure they properly close and lock; promptly submit a maintenance request for any security screens/windows requiring service.
- **Be a responsible member of the community**... To report a crime in progress, suspicious activity, fire or medical emergency off campus, dial 9-1-1. For on campus situations contact the Department of Campus Safety at x3333. Direct dial emergency call stations (red phones or blue call boxes) are located in parking areas and on the perimeter of campus and can be used to summon emergency assistance. For non-emergency assistance on campus, contact the Department of Campus Safety at (616) 632-2462.