

Category: Operations

Policy Title: Weather Emergency – Tornado

Policy Statement: GCCC Police Department will make every effort to keep those on campus informed of severe weather and open available shelters. Weather notifications will be sent out via Busermail and the college emergency notification system. An emergency communications system has been developed with a Building Emergency Leader in each campus building.

Procedures:

Tornado Watch and Warning

o In the event that a **Tornado Watch** is issued for our area, the following will happen: A global e-mail message via Busermail will be sent.

You should continue with your daily routine; however, you should remain alert to the possibility of severe weather and be prepared to act accordingly.

o If a **Tornado Warning** is issued for our area, the following will happen: External City warning sirens will be activated.

Stay away from windows and exterior doors.

You should promptly move to your designated **Tornado Shelter**.

Remain in your designated shelter until a warning expiration message is announced.

Note: If the facility is damaged, evacuate the area after the storm passes (following the direction of emergency building personnel) and stay clear of the damaged area. Be aware of fallen debris, downed power lines and gas leaks. Report any injuries to the GCCC Department of Campus Safety and emergency responders.

Contacts: GCCC Chief of Police

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