

Responding to Emergencies on Campus

FIRE, TORNADO, EARTHQUAKE, WARNING SYSTEMS



Preparedness

Indiana University strives to maintain a culture of preparedness that results in a safe and resilient university environment in which students, faculty, staff, and visitors feel secure in their pursuit of individual and institutional goals. IU Emergency Management and Continuity is dedicated to providing students, staff and faculty the information they need to respond to an emergency.

Fire:

- Activate nearest fire alarm (pull station).
- Immediately evacuate the building.
- DO NOT use elevators.
- Once outside, call 911 to report the fire.
- Move well away from the building.
- Obey all emergency personnel.
- Alert emergency personnel if someone is in the building and where they are located.
- Do not re-enter the building until all clear is given by emergency personnel.



Tornado:

- Outdoor sirens and weather radios will sound.
- If you are outside, take immediate shelter in nearest building.
- If you are inside, take shelter in the basement OR the building's lowest floor and most interior room, away from glass windows and exit doors.
- Take a weather radio, laptop or AM/FM radio with you.
- Do not leave shelter until the tornado warning has expired, or an all clear is given.



Earthquake:

- If inside, take shelter under a sturdy piece of furniture.
- Stay away from windows, hanging objects and heavy furniture
- Stay where you are until shaking stops.
- After shaking stops, evacuate the building.
- DO NOT use elevators.
- If you are outside during the quake, if possible move to a clear area away from trees, poles and buildings.

Warning Systems:

- **Tornado Sirens:** Loud outdoor sirens that sound with a steady wail.
- **NOAA Weather Radios:** Sound when there is a weather event such as severe thunderstorm watch or warning, tornado watch or warning, flash flood watch or warning. Residence halls have weather radios in the office area.
- **IU-Notify:** An IU alert system that sends out emergency notifications via cell phone, text message, email or land line phone.

FOR MORE EMERGENCY AND PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION:
<http://protect.iu.edu> or iuemc@iu.edu

IU-Notify



IU-Notify is the mass notification system used by IU to inform students, faculty, and staff of any emergencies or urgent situations requiring immediate attention and action. Individuals need to take steps to verify that their phone, email, and text message (SMS) information for notifications is correct. Follow the steps below to check your information in the IU-Notify message system and update your contact info if necessary. Then make a point of checking it once a semester and updating it immediately after any of your contact information has changed. Make sure to enter your cell phone number into the text message field.

Give Us Contact Information

From any internet connected computer:

Go to <http://onestart.iu.edu/> and login using your IU User Name and Passphrase.

Click on the black tab that says "Notifications" at the top of the window.

In the left side of the window, click on "IU-Notify".

You should see your contact phone numbers and email addresses. If anything is incorrect, correct it, then click on the "Save" button below the information.

If you have any questions or problems, please call 317-274-8152.

Types of Alerts from IU-Notify

Emergency

An incident or condition that threatens life or safety and requires immediate action, such as, but not limited to:

- ◆ Tornado Warning
- ◆ Active Shooter
- ◆ Chemical Spill

Urgent Situation

An incident or condition that does not pose an immediate threat to life or safety, but is of a nature where timely receipt of information or instructions may directly affect the well-being of the recipient, such as, but not limited to:

- ◆ Campus Closed/Classes Cancelled
- ◆ Civil Disturbance

IU-Notify Important Information

- ▶ This system is only for emergency and urgent notifications. You will not receive messages through the system to remind you to pay your Bursar account or that the Hoosiers just won a basketball game.
- ▶ Information can reach you quickest from IU-Notify via a text (SMS) message to your phone.
- ▶ Your phone company may charge you approximately 20 cents if you receive an IU-Notify text message, depending on your plan.
- ▶ Your life is worth more than 20 cents.
- ▶ Registering will not sign you up for anything other than IU-Notify.
- ▶ Your contact information will not be given out.

More Information:

<http://protect.iu.edu/> – IU Emergency Management and Continuity home page. Look here for IU emergency information, including what resources are available and actions you can take in an emergency.

<http://www.ehs.indiana.edu> – IU Environmental Health and Safety home page. Information on health and safety hazards can be found here.

<http://www.indiana.edu/~iupd/> – IU Police Department home page. Contains information on safety and crime issues and how to keep yourself and your family safe, on campus and at home.