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For the protection and safety of ESF students, faculty, staff and neighbors, the Department of Public Safety releases the following alert:

OFF CAMPUS ROBBERY – SPD Case # 14-483965

Tuesday, October 7, 2014 at approximately 11:45 a.m. – 900 block of Comstock Ave.

A student reported being robbed by three unknown males in the 900 block of Comstock Ave. The student reports he was walking alone on the west sidewalk on Comstock Ave. when he was approached from behind by the suspects. One of the suspects punched the victim on the side of the face knocking him to the ground. The other suspects grabbed the victim's backpack containing identification cards and electronic devices and then all three suspects ran westerly, last seen running through Oakwood Cemetery. The victim sustained a minor injury. The victim's backpack was located in Oakwood Cemetery minus the identification cards and electronic devices.

DPS asks your help in identifying the suspects if you were in the vicinity at the time of the incident. For this purpose, the following is the description of the suspects:

Three males, one approximately 6' 2", thin build one approximately 5' 10", heavy set build, one no description available.

For an interactive map of the incident location, refer to the Campus Alerts 2014 Google Map link at:

<https://www.google.com/maps/ms?msid=214595437229051476012.0004ef76644f4d8bf394c&msa=0>

If anyone has any information regarding this incident or others, please contact the Syracuse Police Department at 315-442-5222 or the Syracuse University Department of Public Safety at 315-443-2224. If you would like to anonymously report NON-EMERGENCY information for DPS, you can use the Silent Witness tool, available at:

http://publicsafety.syr.edu/html/silent_witness.html

FOR YOUR SAFETY, PLEASE REMEMBER:

--After dark, take advantage of the free safety escort services available through the Department of Public Safety. Both walking and shuttle services are available to students, staff, and faculty at SU or SUNY-ESF. Call 443-SAFE (7233) for more information about these services.

--Take advantage of the CENTRO and Ultimate Arrival bus services. Taxi services are also available.

--Walk, bike or jog in groups of three or more, away from bushes, cars, and other objects a suspect could hide behind.

--Plan your walking travel times by avoiding late to early morning hours.

--Be aware of your surroundings: look and listen. Headphones and cell phones can create tunnel vision.

--Travel in well-lit and populated areas.

--Keep porch lights on at night.

--Don't approach strangers or let them get close to you.

--If you think someone is following you, switch directions or cross the street. Go toward an open business or lighted house.

--Have your house or car keys in hand before you reach your door.

--Know where campus blue light alarms are and how to use them.

--If someone tries to rob you, don't resist. Give up your property, not your life.

--If you are in a safe place to do so, attempt to get a description of the suspect(s) and any associated vehicles or license plate numbers.

IMMEDIATELY report emergencies or suspicious activities, persons and vehicles.

For Public Safety dial 315-443-2224 or #78 (from a cell phone); if you are in a situation where you cannot safely make a phone call, send a text message to 711@syr.edu; for Syracuse Police dial 911.

Your quick reporting may help prevent others from becoming victims.

This Public Safety Notice is issued for your safety in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act.

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