A Message from the Chief

The Department of Public Safety is responsible for providing security and customer service on and around campus. We continuously strive to enhance the quality of life on campus by working with the college community. Public Safety believes in the dignity and worth of all people, and we place the highest value on preserving human life. The department utilizes the best practices in professional security and law enforcement that can be implemented in a community-policing model within a campus environment. The strength of our department lies in our officers’ ability to communicate with the college community. Open and constructive dialogue is encouraged to inspire confidence and trust in our department and profession. Service, Integrity, and Pride is our motto.

September is National Campus Safety Awareness Month

Raising awareness is a major part of keeping our students and campus safe. Bronx Community College Department of Public Safety strives to increase student awareness via a series of crime prevention events held during the month of September, which is National Campus Safety Awareness Month, and throughout the academic year. As part of the awareness program, Public Safety provides a series of pamphlets that offer information on personal safety, tips on protecting your home, and advice on how to plan and prepare for emergencies.

Don’t be a victim of cell phone theft - Cell phones are favorite new targets of thieves. In order to reduce your chances of being a victim of cell phone theft, Bronx Community College Department of Public Safety offers you the following safety tips:

- Always be aware of your surroundings. Thieves may be watching you.
- Use your cell phone security lock.
- Avoid becoming distracted by your cell phone conversation when walking on the street.
- Keep your cell phone out of sight.
- If your phone is lost or stolen, report the loss immediately to your cell phone service provider and the Department of Public Safety.
- Register any electronic device you may have with Public Safety/Operation ID.
- Download tracking apps for your cell phone.
- Program into your phone’s speed dial the Public Safety emergency number.
- Be aware of what is going on around you. Wearing headphones while walking or running will eliminate one of your greatest safety assets: listening.
- Most of all, trust your instincts. If you feel like something is wrong, it probably is.

For more information on what you can do to safeguard your property, please contact Public Safety at 718-289-5390.

PC Phone-Home Software

We will introduce our PC phone-home software, which has made it easier for law enforcement agencies to locate lost or stolen computers or laptops. This software has a GPS tracker that will give coordinates on where the laptop/computer is located. The software is available free of charge to all members of the college community.