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Campus Emergency Notification: Bomb Threat Targeting Campus

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Content Warning

This message contains information that you may find distressing. We recognize reports may be distressing for those who have experienced trauma, and we urge anyone who is in need of support to review the resources listed below. You are encouraged to read this message at a suitable time and place.

Emergency Notification

Bomb Threat Targeting Campus

Incident Description

On Wednesday, March 13, 2024, Admissions received an emailed threat of explosive devices on campus.

The communication was distributed to more than 100 admissions offices across the United States, alerting them to the reported presence of four fertilizer-based explosive devices: two on campus premises (with one concealed underground), one within a vehicle, and another in possession of an unidentified individual. The identity of the person who disseminated this information remains unknown.

For your safety, we urge you to remain vigilant and aware of your environment. Should you observe anything unusual or not typical of the everyday campus routine, please report it without delay to the Community Safety Department (503-788-6666). Community Safety has alerted the Portland Police Bureau of the threat, and PPB is handling the response. There may be a police presence on campus today as they investigate the matter.

While we have no reason to believe that Reed is specifically being targeted, we will take prudent steps to ensure the safety of the campus community. Campus currently remains open and operational.

Safety recommendations

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- Immediately report suspicious circumstances to Community Safety:
 - Unusual or suspicious activity
 - Unknown people in any residential space
 - Unknown people loitering near buildings or parking areas
- Avoid confronting an unknown person: leave the area if possible, or go into a room that can be locked and call for help (503-788-6666 or 911)
- If you receive any emails or other communications with threatening language to yourself or to campus, alert Community Safety immediately (503-788-6666)

Community Safety Actions

· Community Safety Officers are inspecting parking lots, facilities, and other areas

- Facilities has been notified and staff are inspecting grounds and other areas
- The construction crews have been notified and are inspecting their areas

Community Safety Emergency: 503-788-6666 Community Safety Text Line: 503-849-8678

Non-emergency: 503-517-5355 email: community-safety@reed.edu

Thank you, Gary

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