

Police • Fire • Medical
Emergency

Important Numbers

Emergency	9•1•1
University Police	292-2121
Student Safety & Escort Services	292-3322
Parking Services.....	292-9341
Shuttle Bus.....	271-2892
University Transportation	292-6122
Handi-Van	292-6202
Student Health Center	292-2112
Columbus Police	645-4545
Community Crime Patrol	299-2279
University Public Safety.....	247-6300



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (Buckeye Alert)
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What is Buckeye Alert?

Buckeye Alert is just one tool that OSU Public Safety can use to notify the campus community of an ongoing emergency. Other forms of notification may include OSU email, OSU cable system, local media outlets such as WOSU and campus telephones are a few examples. One or all of these tools may be used depending on the situation.

How will OSU use the information I enter to register for the Buckeye Alert system?

Your information will be used only for emergency notifications. Up to 4 times a year, OSU may send out an email to the email address you supply to confirm that you wish to remain in the system. Your subscription information will never be sold to a third party nor will it be used for anything other than the Buckeye Alert system.

What information is required to register for Buckeye Alert?

The following information is required for registration to the Buckeye Alert system:

- Name
- Email address
- Cell phone number
- Cell phone provider (i.e. Sprint, AT&T, Verizon, etc.)
- University status (i.e. Student, Faculty, Staff, Parent, etc.)

If your information ever changes, you will need to notify us of the change by emailing your old and new information to: emergencymanagement@dps.ohio-state.edu

Will OSU be testing the Buckeye Alert system?

OSU Public Safety expects to test the system at least once or twice a year. We will make every effort to notify the campus community in advance of the test via email and the local media.

As with all text message alerts, each subscriber is responsible for any charges from their cellular provider associated with receiving text messages.

When will you deactivate my subscription to the Buckeye Alert System?

Your subscription will remain active indefinitely. You may choose to unsubscribe at any time via our website. Also, if any of our test messages are returned as undeliverable, we will attempt to notify you via email. If we are unable to make contact, your information may be deleted from the system.

What happens if I choose not to subscribe to the Buckeye Alerts?

You will not receive an emergency alert via text message. You will continue to receive alerts via our other methods such as campus email, campus cable system and campus telephones.

You are not required to register for Buckeye Alert. However, we strongly encourage you take a few minutes to sign up at <http://www.buckeyealert.osu.edu>.

Will I be notified if my subscription to the Buckeye Alert system is deactivated?

We will make every effort to notify you if your subscription is deactivated. Your subscription will only be deactivated for 2 reasons:

- You request to be unsubscribed by going to the Buckeye Alert website and completing the required information.
- During periodic tests, the text message is returned as undeliverable. If this happens, we will attempt to contact you via email to request the correct information. If we are unable to contact you, we will automatically deactivate your subscription.

Is there a charge for subscribing to the Buckeye Alert system?

The Ohio State University will not charge the subscriber a fee. However, please check with your cellular provider to determine what, if any, charges they may charge you for receiving text messages.

When will OSU use the Buckeye Alert system information?

The Buckeye Alert notification system will **ONLY** be used when an emergency situation is ongoing and the campus community should take immediate action to ensure their own personal safety & security. This system will **ONLY** be activated if you need to take immediate action to remain safe & secure.

If you wish to be notified of other situations and events that generally do not require immediate action, you may want to sign up for Crime Alerts. You can find additional information on this program at: http://www.ps.ohio-state.edu/police/crime_alerts/.