

Rocky Vista University Emergency Mass Notification Policy

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Category: 3.0, 2.0 Responsible Office/Dept.: Security

Policy Categories: 1.0 – Academic Programs; 2.0 – Operations; 3.0 – Administration and Governance; 4.0 Students and Student Affairs; 5.0 – Utah Campus Specific; 6.0 – Committees and Councils; 7.0 – Archived Policies; 8.0 – Forms

- **Policy Statement:** It is the responsibility of the University to ensure the safety and security of all students and employees. Therefore, without exception, a designated employee of the University will immediately notify the campus community upon confirmation of a significant emergency, unforeseen inclement weather event, or dangerous situation occurring on campus involving an immediate threat to the health and safety of students and employees.
- **II. Purpose and Scope:** The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines and provide protocols regarding the dissemination of emergency information utilizing the University's two mass notification communications systems to all University employees and students following state and federal guidelines.

The University has implemented emergency mass notification systems, called **Alertus** and **RAVE** that will send alerts via e-mail, SMS, and desk top messages to student and employee cell phone numbers and any personal computers connected to the RVU network. These systems are used in order for RVU to quickly provide accurate information and instructions to the entire University community during a significant emergency, unforeseen inclement weather event, or dangerous situation.

III. Procedures: Please refer to the University's Emergency Response and Communications Plan below:

Colorado Campus

Utah Campus

Montana Campus add link

We urge you to familiarize yourself with the emergency and evacuation procedures for your campus.

Footnote: In accordance with the Higher Education Act of 1965, the Jeanne CLERY Act of 1990, and OSHA Standard 1910.165(b)(1), the University has implemented a comprehensive communications system to provide prompt warning notifications and alerts of immediate threats to the health and safety of members of the campus community.

* Nothing in this Policy limits the authority of the university to issue, amend, or withdraw a policy.