

TORNADO PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

Preparedness involves a continuous process of planning, equipping and exercising. Planning for tornadoes requires identifying a place to take shelter, being familiar with and monitoring our campus community's warning system, and establishing procedures to account for individuals in the building.

PLANNING:

Identifying Shelter Locations

An underground area, such as a basement or storm cellar, provides the best protection from a tornado. If an underground shelter is unavailable the following locations shall be used and are clearly marked with the black and white TORNADO SHELTER signs posted on the walls of the campus hallways.

- **A BUILDING THEATER**
- **B BUILDING 1ST FLOOR, (ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS OFFICE AREA)**
- **C BUILDING 1ST FLOOR EAST HALLWAY**
- **C BUILDING 105C**
- **C BUILDING 106C**
- **C BUILDING 109C THRU 114C MUSIC ROOMS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH WALL**
- **D BUILDING 107D**
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- **E BUILDING FIRST LEVEL WEST HALLWAY**

SAFETY TIPS:

- **Always seek small interior rooms on the lowest floor possible**
- **Stay away from doors, windows and outside walls**
- **Stay in the center of the room or hallway, and avoid corners because they attract debris**
- **Rooms constructed with reinforced concrete, brick or block with no windows and a heavy concrete floor or roof system overhead**
- **AVOID GYMNASIUMS or building areas that have flat, wide span roofs.**