TIMELY NOTIFICATION BULLETIN

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Act disclosure requirements, we are providing the following Timely Notification Bulletin concerning alleged crime/s that have occurred on the Earlham College campus.

The Department of Public Safety received a report from a student of a sexual assault that occurred during the early morning hours of January 31, 2016.

The reported incident took place at Darrell Beane Stadium and involved a non-consensual (incapacitated and unable to give consent) sexual encounter between the reporting student and two other students known to the reporting student.

The incident was reported to, and being investigated by the Richmond Police as well as campus Title IX officials.

Approximately 66% of rapes are committed by someone known to the victim. To prevent similar crimes from happening, we recommend that everyone familiarize themselves with what constitutes sexual assault and, as a community, be vigilant in stopping it:

- Always seek consent. Stop your sexual advances if the other person indicates no interest, and especially if they say "no." Engaging in any type of sexual activity without the explicit consent of your partner is sexual assault.
- The absence of a "no" is not a "yes."
- Avoid engaging in, supporting or encouraging sexual harassment.
- Do NOT use threats or coercion to engage in sexual activity.
- Call for help if you witness a violent crime.
- Do not take advantage of someone who is passed out, incoherent or otherwise incapacitated, and prevent others from doing so.

Unfortunately, although the majority of sexual assaults are perpetrated by friends, acquaintances, or partners of the victims, the majority of sexual assault prevention tips are modeled after perpetrators that are unknown to the victim. Recognizing this, and recognizing that, ultimately, it is not the responsibility of the victim to prevent their own assault, we nonetheless offer the following advice to promote general risk awareness:

- Be aware of your surroundings. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you find a way to get out of a bad situation.
- If you are consuming alcohol, ensure you have at least one friend that will help you get home safely if your decision-making ability becomes impaired.
- Make sure your cell phone is with you and charged.
• If possible, try to avoid being isolated with someone you don't trust or someone you don't know.
• Trust your instincts. If a situation or location feels unsafe or uncomfortable, it probably isn't the best place to be.
• If you feel your safety is at risk, or need assistance or an escort on campus; please contact Public Safety at 765-983-1400.
• Stay with groups of friends you know and trust.

If you have been the victim of a sexual assault, we encourage you to report it to Public Safety, Student Life or the Title IX Coordinator (Dana North).