



# THOMAS JEFFERSON UNIVERSITY

## SECURITY DEPARTMENT

# SECURITY ALERT

Recently there have been several incidents in Philadelphia that our campus community should be aware of. Though none of these incidents involved Jefferson employees or students, all of us should take appropriate personal safety precautions whenever possible.

- Avoid walking or jogging alone and try not to walk or jog after dark.
- Avoid dark or vacant areas.
- Walk along well-lit routes.
- Be alert to your surroundings.
- Walk in groups whenever possible.
- If you suspect you are being followed, run in a different direction, go to the other side of the street and yell for help

For additional safety tips visit: [http://www.jefferson.edu/security/crime\\_prevention.html](http://www.jefferson.edu/security/crime_prevention.html)

### **Woman Sexually Assaulted in Center City**

On November 14, 2013 at approximately 11:00 p.m. a 29-year-old woman left a South 12th Street bar. As she walked towards her car she was approached from behind and pulled into an alley, then sexually and physically assaulted. Police believe the incident occurred on the 1200 block of St. James Street. The suspect is described as a dark-skinned male standing 5-foot-8 with braided hair, a tattoo on his neck, wearing a blue shirt, khaki pants as well as a chain with a cross. Anyone with information on the incident may call the Special Victims Unit at 215-685-3251.

- <http://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local/Woman-Raped-Beaten-Robbed-in-Center-City-232596141.html>

### **Alleged “Knockout Game” Incidents in Philadelphia**

“Knockout” attacks have been reported in several states around the country and now investigators believe three people have been attacked in the Philadelphia area. Attackers are calling their crimes a game with the goal being to knock out the victim with one punch.

SEPTA police are interviewing “a person of interest” in the November 15, 2013 attack on a female Temple medical student at the Erie station on the Broad Street Line, allegedly committed by the same person who attacked a woman at Broad and Arch Streets. Both attacks happened in broad daylight and nothing was stolen. The attacker punched the victims and ran away.

- <http://www.phillymag.com/news/2013/11/20/video-knockout-game-philadelphia/>

### **Robbery of Wawa Store**

On October 23, 2013, at 5:36 a.m., an unknown male entered the WAWA store at 912 Walnut Street wearing sunglasses and a green towel around his head and demanding money from the cash register. The suspect fled the store without taking any money. The suspect is described as a white male, 40-50 years-of-age, 6’1”-6’3”, 280-300 pounds, short brown hair with a mustache.

- <http://www.phillypolice.com/news/wanted-suspect-for-attempted-robbery-in-the-6th-district-video/>

**EMERGENCIES** (from campus phones)

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ALL OTHER CALLS

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