Hi Phil,

Here is the one we sent out at the beginning of this semester.

Chris

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Dear Christopher:

There is no higher priority at Bakersfield College than the security of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors to our campus. With nearly 17,000 students and staff on our campuses for the Fall 2011 semester, it is imperative that you are doing your part to keep Bakersfield College safe. We strive to provide a safe and secure environment for our students, employees, and visitors. While instances of criminal activity on campus have been infrequent, as the size of a small city, Bakersfield College is not immune to the criminal elements that affect society.

So that you are aware, in addition to established emergency procedures, Bakersfield College has many safety and security measures in place, including:

- Our Department of Public Safety patrols our grounds in marked, and unmarked, police cruisers, on foot, and on bicycles. They are approachable at any time.
- Security escorts are available anywhere on the campus by calling Public Safety at 395-4555 or 395-4554.
- Emergency telephones are installed throughout the campus. They are marked by blue lights on the top of tall blue poles.
- Bakersfield College works in partnership with the Bakersfield Police Department to combat illegal activity.

In addition to these safety and security measures, each member of the Bakersfield College community contributes to the overall safety and
security of the campus. Remember to:

- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Report any suspicious activity or individual to Public Safety by calling 395-4555 or 395-4554.
- Use the safety services.
- Place your valuables in a secure location.
- Lock your vehicle.

You should always be alert and use common sense to protect yourself and others from becoming victims of crime. When you go out, keep these safety tips in mind.

- Be sure to stay aware of your surroundings when using earbuds, headphones, and anything else that might impair your hearing.
- Do not hesitate to report suspicious activity or suspicious individuals.
- Do not enter into conversation with a suspicious individual.
- Learn the best routes between the parking lots and your classes and activities. Take the safest route, not the fastest route.
- Travel in groups of two or more at night.
- Always walk in well-lighted, heavily traveled areas.
- Share your class schedule with friends and family, effectively creating a buddy system.
- When you go out, let someone know where you are going and when you plan to be back.
- Know where the emergency telephones are located.
- Wherever you are, stay alert to your surroundings and the actions of people around you.
- Follow your instincts. If something doesn’t feel right, change directions, go to an emergency phone or into a public building, or call Public Safety at 395-4555 or 395-4554.

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