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Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure students, faculty, and staff at Northwest are educated regarding the suicide prevention programs available to them, both on and off campus.

Policy

Northwest Missouri State University (Northwest) will provide information regarding mental health and suicide prevention resources available on and off-campus to all students, faculty, and staff. In particular, incoming students will receive this information upon matriculation, which will include information pertaining to student-run organizations that may benefit individuals at risk of or affected by suicide. The information provided will include procedures for identifying and addressing the needs of students exhibiting suicidal tendencies or behavior and will explain the training opportunities/programs that are available. A comprehensive list of these resources, trainings, and programs is available within the Wellness Services website at .

Northwest will also maintain methods of reporting, with the option to be anonymous, unsafe, potentially harmful, dangerous, violent, or criminal activities, or the threat of such activities. Northwest's University Police Department monitors reports 24/7 through the Maxient system .

The University Police Department is also available by phone on a 24/7 basis, at (660) 562-1254. **In the case of an emergent situation, please contact University Police or call 911 immediately.**

This policy will be housed online in Northwest's Policy Library <https://www.nwmissouri.edu/policies>.