

Emergency Preparedness Discussion Points for Parents' Conversations with Students

Emergency Preparedness Point – This critical emergency preparedness information was developed by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and is included on a folder all new students received in their welcome packet.

Talking Points – OEM is asking parents to assist with making sure your child accomplishes each of the “Emergency Preparedness Points.”

#1 - GET INFORMED

- Ensure your cell phone is entered in CaneLink as “mobile”
- Follow @UMiamiENN on Social Media:
Facebook.com/UMiamiENN
Twitter.com/UMiamiENN

Talking Points for #1

- Critical life safety information is distributed via the Emergency Notification Network (ENN), and to receive that information, your child must enter their cell phone number in CaneLink.
- OEM is very conscious of not inundating our community with unnecessary information. If an emergency is received alert, it must be taken seriously.
- Follow the Office of Emergency Management on Facebook and/or Twitter. Social media is used to communicate additional information that may not be sent through the ENN.

#2 - GET THE GUIDE

- Download the UM App containing the UM Emergency Guide

Talking Points for #2

- Download the University of Miami App and make sure you know how to access the Emergency Guide – Specific Action Guidelines via the “Emergency” section within the app.
- The “Specific Action Guidelines” provide basic instructions and/or actions on how to respond to different types of emergencies.

#3 - GET A PLAN

- Identify where you will go if ordered to evacuate before a major hurricane.
- Enter evacuation location in Canelink

Talking Points for #3

- If you are living on the Coral Gables Campus, you will be ordered to self-evacuate if a Category 3 or greater hurricane is expected to impact South Florida.
- All classes and events will be canceled, and students will be directed to self-evacuate approximately 72 hours before landfall.
- Develop an evacuation plan and ensure your intended evacuation location is in CaneLink.
- Students experiencing difficulty making travel arrangements will be asked to self-identify to Housing and Residential Life staff for additional guidance.

#4 - GET INVOLVED

- If You See Something, Say Something
- Always report suspicious/unusual activity to UM Police or Public Safety

Talking Points for #4

- Request all students enter UMPD (305-284-6666) as a contact in their cell phones
- Explain that UMPD is eager to work with the University community to respond to any report of suspicious or unusual activity.
- When in doubt never hesitate to call UMPD for police assistance.