

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: SWCC Police Department, Faculty, and Staff From: Dr. Ervin Seamster, President & CEO

Date: September 10, 2025

Subject: Heightened Security Alert

Earlier today, we learned of the tragic shooting of Conservative Activist Charlie Kirk at Utah Valley University. In light of this event, we are anticipating the potential for backlash against African American institutions, particularly HBCUs and Black churches. Out of an abundance of caution, Southwestern Christian College is instituting a heightened security alert effective immediately.

All Faculty, Staff, and Members of the SwCC Police Department are asked to observe the following:

- 1. **Heightened Vigilance**: Be alert and immediately report any suspicious activity, unfamiliar vehicles, or guests on campus who appear to be acting strangely.
- 2. **Campus Security**: Ensure that all doors and entry ways are closed and secured at all times.
- 3. **Travel Safety**: If leaving campus, please do not travel alone. Whenever possible, travel in groups for your safety.
- 4. **Reporting Protocol**: Any suspicious behavior or safety concerns should be reported at once to the SwCC Police Department.

We are committed to maintaining a safe and secure environment for our campus community. Your cooperation and attentiveness are essential during this time. Please remain calm, vigilant, and prayerful as we continue to prioritize the safety and well-being of our Students, Faculty, and Staff.

Thank you for your partnership in keeping Southwestern Christian College safe.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ervin Seamster President & CEO

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