Awareness Around Campus

Whether you drive a vehicle, run, jog, walk, ride a bicycle, or “board” on campus, we want you to be aware of some important “guiding principles” when participating in these activities at Messiah College.

General Awareness
- Abide by the rules of the road
- Watch for vehicular traffic in parking lots and on roadways
- Watch for pedestrian and other forms of “people” traffic on roadways
- Avoid high traffic times (weekdays between 7:15-8:00am and afternoons between 4:30-5:15pm) in and around employee parking lots and academic buildings
- Be aware of vehicles backing out of parking spots and lots; especially large type vehicles like the box trucks; if the vehicle is “beeping”, please do not walk behind it
- Report unsafe activity to Dispatch Services, ext. 6005 or 691-6005

Runners/Joggers/Walkers
- Remember to run/jog/walk AGAINST traffic; this is so you can see what is coming toward you
- Please exercise on the sides of the roadway or on sidewalks, rather than the middle of the road
- Be aware of vehicular traffic and follow the rules of the road
- When jogging on off campus roadways, please jog single file, especially when vehicular traffic is on the roads
- If out after dark, wear some type of reflective or bright colored clothing so that you can be seen

Bicyclist
- Remember you are to bike WITH traffic (going the same direction)
- If you are riding after dark, you MUST have a front light AND reflectors on your bike
- You MUST abide by the rules of the road; stop at all “Stop” signs, yield to pedestrians, etc.
- If out after dark, wear some type of reflective or bright colored clothing so you can be seen
- Ride on the sides of the roadway
- You are strongly encouraged to wear a bicycle helmet
- Please do not ride in the middle of the roads and be aware of vehicular traffic, especially in parking lots and those backing out of parking spots

“Boarders”: pertains to all skateboarders, longboarders, and scooter riders (Messiah students only, all other boarders will be asked to leave)
- Remember you are to “board” WITH traffic (going the same direction)
- You MUST abide by the rules of the road; stop at all “Stop” signs, yield to pedestrians, etc.
- If out after dark, wear some type of reflective or bright colored clothing so you can be seen
- “Board” on the sides of the roadway or sidewalks
- You are strongly encouraged to wear a safety helmet
- Please do not “board” in the middle of the roads and be aware of vehicular traffic, especially in parking lots and those backing out of parking spots
- Refrain from “boarding” in areas that are dangerous; i.e. areas with gravel, steep hills, etc.

Vehicles
- Speed limit on campus is 15mph
- Vehicles are to yield to all pedestrians
- Be aware of other activity in and around roadways, crosswalks, and parking lots; i.e. walkers, joggers, runners, bicyclists, and “boarders”
- Abide by the rules of the road; stop at all “Stop” signs, yield to pedestrians, etc.
- Wear your seatbelt; it’s the law!

We hope the above “guiding principles” help everyone be more safety conscious when out on campus. Safety awareness on campus is EVERYONE’S responsibility; help us keep each other safe. Thank you for your cooperation and partnership with this safety awareness campaign!

Department of Safety