Fall 2021 Federal Compliance and Student Consumer Notification

In compliance with federal law, the following notification is sent each semester to all students and employees. This notice contains information the University is legally required to convey to you; you are strongly encouraged to read it. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

1. Baylor University Annual Fire Safety and Security Report
2. Baylor University Equity, Civil Rights, and Title IX
3. Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA)
4. Ethics Reporting
5. Student Rights Related to Educational Records (FERPA)
6. Availability of Institutional and Financial Aid Information
7. Notification of Penalty for Making a False Alarm or Report
8. Criminal History and Occupational License Notice
9. Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA)
10. Student Right to Know Data
11. Success Data
12. Textbook Information
13. Higher Education Opportunity Act Required Disclosures

1. Baylor University Annual Fire Safety and Security Report

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act or Clery Act requires colleges and universities across the United States to disclose information about crime on or around their campuses on Clery geography and produce an annual report available to the public on October 1.
Baylor University’s 2021 Annual Fire Safety and Security Report includes crime statistics that have been reported over the past three years and have occurred on Baylor owned or controlled properties.

This report also serves as an important guide and resource to the Baylor community regarding:

- Access to Campus Property
- Alcohol and Drugs
- Campus Security
- Crime Prevention
- Crime Reporting
- Emergency Notifications, Timely Warnings and Safety Alerts
- Safety Tips
- Response to Sexual Violence, Domestic/Dating Violence and Stalking
- Student Discipline
- Victim’s Assistance Programs

All enrolled students, campus employees, prospective students and prospective employees are entitled to request a copy of the Baylor University Annual Fire Safety and Security Report. This year’s report is available online at [www.baylor.edu/annualcleryreport/](http://www.baylor.edu/annualcleryreport/). Printed copies may also be requested via e-mail to Clery@baylor.edu or in person from the Baylor University Police Department and by calling 254-710-2211.

2. **Baylor University Equity, Civil Rights, and Title IX**

   **Civil Rights Policy** and **Sexual and Interpersonal Misconduct Policy**

   Baylor University does not tolerate unlawful harassment or discrimination on the basis of sex, gender, race, color, disability, national origin, ancestry, age (over 40), citizenship, genetic information or the refusal to submit to a genetic test, past, current, or prospective service in the uniformed services, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal, Texas, or local law (collectively referred to as Protected Characteristics). To report:
a. Sexual or gender-based harassment, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, intimate partner violence, or retaliation for reporting one of these types of prohibited conduct, please visit www.baylor.edu/titleix, or contact us at 254-710-8454, or TitleIX_Coordinator@baylor.edu.

b. Harassment (excluding those issues listed in A) or discrimination based on Protected Characteristics, or retaliation for reporting one of these types of prohibited conduct, please visit www.baylor.edu/civilrights, or contact us at 254-710-8454, or Civil_Rights@baylor.edu.

3. **Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA)**

   The Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) requires that Baylor notify each student and employee of its programs to prevent the illicit use of drugs and the abuse of alcohol by students and employees. Baylor University has several programs to combat the misuse and abuse of alcohol and other chemical substances. Please visit www.baylor.edu/risk/index.php?id=977865 or contact University Compliance and Risk Services at 254-710-2900 or risk@baylor.edu.

4. **Ethics Reporting**

   Baylor University has selected EthicsPoint to provide individuals with a simple, risk-free anonymous and/or confidential way to report activities that may involve criminal, unethical, or otherwise inappropriate behavior in violation of Baylor University's policies. You may report via EthicsPoint by phone at 866-384-4277 or online at bayloruniversity.ethicspoint.com.

5. **Student Rights Related to Educational Records (FERPA)**

   The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of, and limits access to, student education records. The law affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. The full text of the annual notification can be found at www.baylor.edu/registrar/index.php?id=90356 or by calling the Registrar’s Office at 254-710-1181.
6. **Availability of Institutional and Financial Aid Information**

The Student Financial Aid Office provides a comprehensive program that includes academic-based scholarships and need-based scholarships, as well as grants, loans, and part-time campus employment designed to help eligible students meet expenses while enrolled at Baylor University. Additional information can be found at the Student Financial Services website at [www.baylor.edu/sfs/index.php?id=936989](http://www.baylor.edu/sfs/index.php?id=936989).

7. **Notification of Penalty for Making a False Alarm or Report**

Pursuant to Texas Education Code 51.219 ([texas.public.law/statutes/tex._educ._code_section_51.219](http://texas.public.law/statutes/tex._educ._code_section_51.219)), Baylor University is notifying you of the penalty for the offense of making a false alarm or report involving a public or private institution of higher education.

**Penal Code Sec. 42.06. FALSE ALARM OR REPORT.** [texas.public.law/statutes/tex._penal_code_section_42.06](http://texas.public.law/statutes/tex._penal_code_section_42.06)

a. A person commits an offense if he knowingly initiates, communicates or circulates a report of a present, past, or future bombing, fire, offense, or other emergency that he knows is false or baseless and that would ordinarily:

1. cause action by an official or volunteer agency organized to deal with emergencies;
2. place a person in fear of imminent serious bodily injury; or
3. prevent or interrupt the occupation of a building, room, place of assembly, place to which the public has access, or aircraft, automobile, or other mode of conveyance.

b. An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor unless the false report is of an emergency involving a public or private institution of higher education or involving a public primary or secondary school, public communications, public transportation, public water, gas, or power supply or other public service, in which event the offense is a state jail felony.
Education Code Sec. 51.219. NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY FOR FALSE ALARM OR REPORT.
(texas.public.law/statutes/tex._educ._code_section_51.219)

a. In this section, "institution of higher education" and "private or independent institution of higher education" have the meanings assigned by Texas Education Code Section 61.003 statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/ED/htm/ED.61.htm#61.003

b. Each institution of higher education and private or independent institution of higher education shall notify all incoming students, as soon as practicable, of the penalty for the offense under Section 42.06 texas.public.law/statutes/tex._penal_code_section_42.06, Penal Code, of making a false alarm or report involving a public or private institution of higher education.

More information can be obtained by calling Baylor University Police Department at 254-710-2211.

8. Criminal History and Occupational License Notice

If you are applying for admission to a program that may prepare you for an occupational license and/or if you later decide to change to such a program, Texas law requires that Baylor notify you of your potential ineligibility to obtain a license due to prior criminal convictions. Additional information can be found in Baylor’s Undergraduate Admission page at www.baylor.edu/admissions/index.php?id=948617 or the Texas.Gov site at statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/OC/htm/OC.53.htm.

Relocating or moving to another state during a professional licensure program may impact whether you can remain in the program, meet the state licensure requirements, and/or continue to receive financial aid funding. Additional information can be found at www.baylor.edu/professionaleducation/index.php?id=970287, www.baylor.edu/professionaleducation/index.php?id=970522, or by calling The Office of Professional Education at 254-710-8367.
9. **Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA)**

   By December 31st of each year, each coeducational institution of higher education that participates in any federal student aid program and has an intercollegiate athletics program must prepare an Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act (EADA) report and make it available upon request to students, potential students, and the public. Printed copies may be obtained at [baylorbears.com/sports/2018/5/16/school-bio-bay-eada-html.aspx](http://baylorbears.com/sports/2018/5/16/school-bio-bay-eada-html.aspx) or by calling Baylor Athletics at 254-710-1222.

10. **Student Right to Know Data**

    Baylor University is required to report the overall graduation rate, also known as the “Student Right to Know” or IPEDS graduation rate. Graduation rates and retention rates are available through Baylor’s Office of Institutional Research. Additional information can be found at [www.baylor.edu/ir/index.php?id=84791](http://www.baylor.edu/ir/index.php?id=84791).

11. **Success Data**

    Each semester, Baylor University surveys graduating students about their post-graduation plans. Placement rates, graduate school rates, and success rates are available through Baylor’s Career Center. Additional information can be found at [www.baylor.edu/careercenter/index.php?id=967740](http://www.baylor.edu/careercenter/index.php?id=967740).

12. **Textbook Information**

    Information regarding required and recommended textbooks and supplemental material for courses can be found in the online Schedule of Classes at [www1.baylor.edu/scheduleofclasses/](http://www1.baylor.edu/scheduleofclasses/).

13. **Higher Education Opportunity Act Required Disclosures**

    In August of 2008, Congress enacted the Higher Education Opportunity Act (the “Act”) to reauthorize the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. Several of the Act’s provisions require the University to make specific information available to students and the public. Additional disclosures can be found at the Baylor Federal Compliance & Student Consumer Information webpage.
at www.baylor.edu/heoa/ or by calling University Compliance and Risk Services at 254-710-2900 or emailing risk@baylor.edu.

If you need a written copy of this entire notification, please contact University Compliance and Risk Services at 254-710-2900 or email risk@baylor.edu.