OU-Tulsa Severe Weather Tornado Shelter Policy Spring 2022

In the case of severe weather, prepare to seek refuge at home

You are highly encouraged to create a plan and prepare your home environment for a tornado threat. Identify safe refuge-in-home options utilizing the “get in - get down - cover up” strategy. Specifically, select an interior room away from doors and windows on the lowest level of your residence and prepare to use a bicycle helmet, pillows and blankets to protect yourself from possible debris.

If you are on campus during a tornado event:

Place of Refuge Protocol

If a tornado warning is issued during a time when you are already on campus, students, staff, and faculty should take refuge using the building’s designated severe weather refuge areas. The locations of each campus building’s severe weather refuge areas are listed in the OU Emergency Preparedness brochures.

This policy will be in place for the remainder of the Spring Semester 2022 and is subject to change.