PRIOR PLANNING IS ESSENTIAL!

- During an emergency, Deans, department heads, and supervisors have the responsibility to give instructions & provide safety measures to everyone on campus, unless otherwise directed by OU Police or other properly identified emergency personnel.

- BEFORE an emergency occurs: know locations of the fire extinguishers, fire alarm pulls, at least TWO emergency exits, and severe weather refuge areas.

- Use the Blue Emergency Phones located strategically around the campus, if necessary, which are connected directly to the OU Police Department.

- Dial 9-1-1 for ALL EMERGENCIES.

- 9-1-1 calls made with a cell phone may go to either the OU Police Department or the Norman Police Department.

- Tell the 9-1-1 operator you are on campus and your location.

GENERAL INFORMATION
LIGHTNING SAFETY:
• Postpone activities immediately if you see lightning/hear thunder
• Go to a safe shelter immediately
• Get out of water
• Do NOT stand in puddles of water (even if wearing rubber boots)
• Avoid metal, sheds, picnic shelters, baseball dugouts, bleachers, trees, golf clubs, fishing rods, tools, fences
• Crouch in open area
• Stay away from elevated objects/trees
• Coaches and leaders: monitor weather during practice
• Stay several yards away from other people
• Do NOT share a bleacher bench or huddle in a group

SEVERE WEATHER AND TORNADO SAFETY:
Go to http://account.ou.edu/ and ensure your mobile number is listed under Emergency Alert Information tab
In the event of a tornado warning you will receive an OU Alert text informing you of weather danger
The City of Norman maintains a citywide civil defense warning siren that may be sounded in the event of a tornado warning
Severe weather is imminent, you are outdoors: move indoors as quickly as possible
• Consider obtaining an emergency kit and weather radio for your department
• Shut off equipment that might be affected by a temporary loss of electricity
• Close hallway doors as you leave to shield corridors from flying debris
• Move to severe weather refuge area in building
• Become familiar with location of severe weather refuge area in your building before a storm occurs
• http://ou.edu/campussafety/university-meteorologist/weather
• Off campus or in buildings with no designated shelters: move to small room on lower levels, interior hallway/basement

GET IN, GET DOWN, COVER UP:
• Avoid: upper floors, large glassed areas, auditoriums, windows, parking garages, exterior walkways, electrical appliances
• Use telephone for emergency calls ONLY

STAY CALM AND ALERT:
• Call 9-1-1 to report any damage
• An “All Clear” OU Alert will be issued after weather danger has passed
• There will not be an “All clear” signal from the City of Norman siren system

LOCATION OF SEVERE WEATHER REFUGE AREA: ________________________________