Students/Faculty/Staff/Visitors,

In the wake of recent school violence, it is natural to have questions and concerns about security here at Dalton State. While we cannot eliminate all risk of an incident, we can plan and prepare so that we can all respond in the most effective way possible if and when there is an emergency incident on campus. Here are a few things you need to know to keep yourself and others safe:

Memorize our phone number; program it into your phone. Public Safety is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Your call to 706-272-4461 will always be answered right away by a dispatcher or an officer.

Register with Roadrunner Alert. You will receive timely messages about emergency situations at Dalton State via text, phone, and email but only if you are registered with Roadrunner Alert: <u>https://www.daltonstate.edu/about/alert.cms</u>

The CARE Team is working. Dalton State has an interdisciplinary Campus Assessment Response and Evaluation team that investigates any instance of student, faculty, staff, or others who display dangerous, disruptive, threatening or otherwise concerning behaviors.

Public Safety officers are on the job. Dalton State Public Safety officers are armed certified peace officers highly trained to respond to emergency situations on campus. As members of the law enforcement community we maintain solid working relationships with other local first responders and communicate with them on a regular basis.

Familiarize yourself with safety plans. Our Public Safety department regularly provides training on topics including Active Shooter, Risk Reduction, and Personal Protection. The trainings are free and open to all students, faculty, and staff. In addition, multi-colored flip emergency guides are posted on bulletin boards across campus. Additional emergency information is available on the Public Safety Website:

https://www.daltonstate.edu/about/safety-overview.cms

Maintaining the safety of our students, faculty, and staff is our highest priority. It is our privilege to serve the Dalton State community. Please do not hesitate to contact us when you have questions for us or concerns about your safety.