What to report to police:
Call the Capitol Police Emergency number: **296-1111**

Give your name, phone number, specific location of the event, floor, and room number. Be sure to including the location of the active shooter and the number of shooters, and last known direction of travel.

If you can safely identify suspects, start from head to toe and give all identifiable features that you can recognize, including:

- Gender
- Race
- Hair color
- Build
- Clothing description
- Number and type of weapon(s)
- Number of victims

**Points to consider:**

- The shooter will not stop until engaged by law enforcement.
- Attempt to rescue others only if it can be accomplished without further endangering yourself or others.
- Be cautious when evacuating due to a fire alarm, it may draw people to the active shooter.
- As soon as safety corridors are established you will be searched, and escorted out of the danger by armed officers.
- Avoid making quick movements towards officers, such as attempting to hold onto them for safety.
- Keep your hands visible, raise and spread your fingers, and follow instructions given by any police officers you encounter. Avoid pointing.
- Remain at the designated assembly point. Do not drive away or leave the area until told it is safe to do so by police.
- The entire area becomes a crime scene. You will not be allowed to enter to retrieve items or access the crime scene. You will be taken to a holding area to assess medical care, interviewing and counseling.

**Text Alerts**

Capitol Police (Kansas Highway Patrol - Troop K) is a participating agency with Nixle. Nixle is a free service that allows you to receive text alerts from public safety agencies. To sign up or learn more, go to [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com).
What is an active shooter?

An active shooter is an armed suspect or assailant who has used deadly force on other persons.

Active shooters have a desire to kill without concern for their safety or threat of capture.

They normally have an intended victim, and will search them out. They will also accept targets of opportunity. They will continue to move throughout a building or area killing until stopped by law enforcement, suicide, or other intervention.

Historically the shooter’s main goal is not escape, but rather to kill as many people as possible.

Officers’ objectives are to locate, contain and stop the shooter immediately. Police officers are trained to proceed immediately to the area where the shots were last heard. Their purpose is to stop the shooting as quickly as possible.

Officers will not stop to help injured persons or begin evacuation until the threat has been neutralized.

In the event of an active shooter

You should have a plan to assist with the following:

- Recognize gunshots
- React quickly when gunshots are heard
- Know who to call
- Know where to go
- Know how to survive

Evacuating the area

- Have an escape route(s) in mind
- If you can safely escape, do so quickly
- If you can help others escape, do so quickly
- Do not escape through the area where the active shooter may cross your path
- Leave your belongings behind
- Keep your hands visible
- Don’t give aid to wounded
- Follow the police instructions

Hiding out

- Get out of shooter’s view
- Provide coverage or protection if possible
- Do not trap or restrict your movement
- Lock the door
- Barricade the door (most doors open inward)
- Turn off cell phone ringers
- Stay quiet

Taking action (fight)

- When your options of running or hiding are gone, attacking the shooter needs to become a reality
- Throwing things at the shooter or using weapons to disrupt or incapacitate the shooter when practical
- Pre-plan if there is more than one of you and commit to your actions

To report an active shooter situation, call:

785-296-1111