

## Missing Person Information for Students

In accordance with the Higher Education Act of 2008, all students who reside in on-campus housing may identify an individual who will be contacted by University or law enforcement personnel within 24 hours after it has been determined that the student is missing. Only authorized campus officials and law enforcement officers in furtherance of a missing person investigation may have access to this information.

The individual identified by a student can be a parent or guardian but that is not required. The person identified, called a confidential contact, will be the primary contact with Missouri State University or law enforcement officials.

If the student is under 18 years of age and is not an emancipated individual (by court order, no longer under the control or responsibility of parents), Missouri State University or law enforcement officials are required to notify a custodial parent or guardian within 24 hours after the student is determined missing.

If you are interested in selecting a confidential contact, please complete the form being handed out by your RA. Once you have completed the form, you can submit it to staff members at the front desk. You can change the information on this form at any time by asking for a new form at the front desk.

Even if you choose not to complete the form and identify a confidential contact person, local law enforcement will be notified that you are missing if the situation arises.