

Free App for Students and Staff Turns Your Phone Into a Personal Safety Resource

As part of Oklahoma State University's commitment to safety, the campus has adopted Rave Guardian, a free mobile app that turns any smartphone into a personal safety resource.

The Rave Guardian app can be downloaded in the <u>Apple</u> or <u>Google Play</u> app stores by searching for "Rave Guardian." You can also learn more at <u>www.raveguardian.com</u>.

- Add and message guardians: By adding roommates, friends and family to their network, users can feel safer when walking alone, on or off campus.
- Set a safety timer: Set a timer with your current location, where you're going and when you should arrive. If you do not make it there and de-active the timer, your guardians or campus safety will be alerted.
- Send anonymous tips: See something, say something. The app allows users to anonymously text suspicious activity to campus police, including photos. The chat feature is also useful to request help getting your car unlocked or your vehicle jump-started.
- Request a SafeWalk.
- While the app provides valuable resources, in the event of an emergency, dial 911.

## **SafeWalk**

Oklahoma State University's SafeWalk program employs and trains students as public service officers to escort anyone from one campus location to another from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., seven days a week.

If you would like a SafeWalk outside the hours of 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., request one. The OSUPD has officers on duty around the clock. They'll be happy to walk with you to your next on-campus destination or Greek housing, but the timing could depend on the call volume at the time. To request a SafeWalk, call 405-744-6523 or use the Rave Guardian app, your personal safety resource.

## R.A.D. Training

The Rape Aggression Defense System or R.A.D. is a female-only program of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques. The system is a comprehensive 12-hour course that teaches awareness, prevention, risk reduction and avoidance, as well as basic hands-on self-defense training. Get more information about an upcoming R.A.D. course by submitting an <u>online request</u>, emailing <u>osupd@okstate.edu</u> or calling 405-744-6523.