

This RIT Ready Newsletter focuses on responding to armed intruder incidents.

An armed intruder incident is one where a person (or persons) is actively trying to injure or kill others. These incidents are generally random, with no specific person targeted. They can happen anywhere – in a mall, a school, a movie theater.

If you happen to be in an area where there is an armed intruder incident happening, remembering "Run, Hide, Fight" can help save your life.

View the <u>"Run, Hide, Fight"</u> video produced by the City of Houston police department that demonstrates these actions.

**RUN** - If there is a safe way out of the area, then take it. Don't wait if others won't leave.

- Don't delay to get your belongings
- Encourage others to evacuate as you leave
- Contact Public Safety (585-475-3333 voice or 585-205-8333 text) or 9-1-1 (phone call or text) when you are safe
- Follow instructions of law enforcement officers

**HIDE** - Your hiding place should be out of the armed intruder's view and provide protection if shots are fired in your direction.

- Lock the door if possible. If not, block the door with heavy furniture
- Hide behind large items (cabinets, desks)
- Silence cell phones and/or pager and turn off sources of noise (radio, television)
- Stay quiet

**FIGHT -** Only if your life is in imminent danger and there is no other alternative, attempt to disrupt or incapacitate the intruder by:

- Acting as aggressively as possible toward him/her
- Throwing items or improvising weapons
- Yelling at the intruder
- Committing to your actions

Report any emergency by contacting RIT Public Safety at 585-475-3333 (v/tty), text to 585-205-8333 or instant message to RITPUBLICSAFETY on AIM. You can also download the TigerSafe app from either <u>Google Play</u> or the <u>App Store</u>.



Make sure your mobile phone number is in the <u>RIT Alert</u> system.

- Faculty and Staff go to <u>myinfo.rit.edu</u> and add in the phone numbers emergency notification information area
- Students go to SIS and enter in the Cell/Mobile phone field of the Personal Information area