



Safe Celebrations

“Going outside that night was one of the worst decisions I could have made, and to this day my friends and I are still dealing with the consequences of that night.”

— L.S., CLASS OF 2009

arrested for taking part in a destructive celebratory disturbance

WHAT can I do to celebrate?

You can sing, cheer, and enjoy other responsible forms of celebrating. You can participate in activities that are legal and that do not disturb the comfort and peace of others in their homes or residence halls.

HOW should I respond to a dispersal order?

Students should follow any directions given by the police and immediately leave the area once a dispersal order is given. There is no such thing as “just standing around and watching.”

WHAT behaviors incite crowds and lead to police intervention?

- Climbing trees, lamp poles, signs, or anything else to get above a crowd and draw attention to oneself.
- Blocking access or safe passage of persons, objects, or vehicles.
- Committing, in the presence of others, any illegal behavior, including but not limited to disorderly conduct, malicious destruction of property, or endangering the safety of others.