

RESPONSIBLE TIGER PROTOCOL

Towson University expects you to act responsibly when you see a friend or fellow student who is overly intoxicated and whose health or safety is at risk. The following steps are required:

CALL, REMAIN, and COOPERATE

CALL 911, TUPD and/or notify a University staff member (including Resident Assistants) of a student in need of medical attention.

REMAIN with the student in need until help arrives. Cooperate fully with the staff or agency responding to the situation.

COOPERATE with the appropriate University officials following the incident.

Taking action in these situations may save a student's life and minimize harmful consequences. Additionally, if you were drinking at the time you assisted another student, you may be granted consideration in the University's student conduct process. While the University upholds federal and state law and University policy regarding underage drinking, the University also recognizes the importance of encouraging students to act responsibly for each other. For that reason, students who assist others at risk from consequences due to overconsumption of alcohol may be granted consideration. For more information on this protocol see <http://www.towson.edu/studentaffairs/policies/>

Be a Responsible Tiger: Following the Responsible Tiger Protocol may work in your favor AND the favor of student whose health is at risk!

Process:

Students or student groups allegedly involved in a violation of the Code of Student Conduct will be required to meet with a staff member in the Office of Student Conduct & Civility Education. During this meeting, a staff member will discuss the Responsible Tiger Protocol and any mitigating factors that may impact disciplinary action. As student safety is paramount, students who acted in accordance with the steps listed above may be subject to the following action:

a. All students who are responsible for a violation of an applicable alcohol policy will be subject to some type of educational sanction and/or assessment & completion of a program through the Counseling Center.

b. The University reserves the right to notify parents/guardians of students who are under 21 years of age for violations of policies involving the possession/use of alcohol.

c. If a student completes all educational sanctions (see item a. above) in accordance with the guidelines and dates set forth by the Office of Student Conduct & Civility Education, the following may apply:

1. The Office of Student Conduct & Civility Education may waive any monetary fine and any university probation typically issued for this type of violation.

2. Upon successful completion of the educational sanction, the Office of Student Conduct & Civility Education will note the student's record as "for information only" and it will not be considered a disciplinary record.

d. If the student fails to complete the educational sanction as outlined by the Office of Student Conduct & Civility Education, then the student is subject to additional disciplinary action including, but not limited to fines and university probation.