



Official Statement

Office of Marketing and Communications



Reports of an Alleged Shooting Near Clark Atlanta's Campus Are False

Atlanta (September 5, 2008) – Reports of an alleged shooting in the vicinity of the campus of Clark Atlanta University involving University public safety officers on Thursday night (September 4th) are not true. This verification was obtained from CAU's Department of Public Safety and The City of Atlanta Police Department. We have also investigated all of the related rumors and have found them to be untrue as well.

As stated in the President's recent campus safety letter, which can be found on www.cau.edu, CAU's Police Department, The City of Atlanta Police Department, and surrounding Atlanta University Center police agencies have joined forces in the effort to maintain a safe environment for students, faculty and staff. As a part of this collective and heightened effort to address crime and, whenever possible, prevent criminal activity, we ask that you **"Think Safety First."**

Please be mindful that our location in a dynamic urban center requires all of us to be aware of our surroundings and the forces that seek to disrupt the security of our peaceful atmosphere. Our campus sprawls across public streets, and we have no control over who uses those pathways.

We are reminding you to please immediately report any suspicious person(s), behavior, or activity to Public Safety or the Atlanta Police Department. Please put these numbers in your cell phones.

You may contact Public Safety at:

- (404) 880-8623 non-emergencies (Campus Escort, etc.)**
- (404) 880-8911 emergencies (Campus Police Assistance)**
- (404) 880-8900 (Anonymous Crime Tip Line)**