Clark Atlanta University continues to place the safety and security of its students, faculty, staff and the entire CAU community as our top priority during this year’s Homecoming 2023 activities.

Homecoming is a time of celebration and bringing together alumni, family, and friends to celebrate the University’s history, accomplishments, and future. We want to make sure we continue our tradition in a safe environment.

Clark Atlanta University’s Public Safety Department has proactively taken the following safety measures:

- CAU public safety officers will be stationed 24 hours 7 days a week at the James P. Brawley security booths
- Increased police visibility
- Access to tailgating area from the stands will be restricted
- Everyone attending a homecoming event will be subject to security screenings
- The City of Atlanta has approved the closing of several surrounding streets to restrict traffic flow around the stadium
- Hosted a series of Emergency Drills and Active Shooters Training for the campus community
- In addition, we are committed to the ongoing safety of our campus. Earlier this fall we added hundreds of new lights along the promenade as well as additional security cameras all across our campus.

The following streets will be closed from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

- Beckwith St. from Pashals St. to Vine St.
- Parsons St. from SNCC Drive to Lawshe St.

Students and guests attending the homecoming concert on Wednesday evening October 18, 2023, must enter the venue through the main entrance and are subject to security screenings. Additionally, there will be increased security in and surrounding the venue. CAU authorities will be enforcing the University’s Clear Bag Policy; all are expected to adhere to this requirement.

We encourage all students, faculty, staff, members of the Clark Atlanta University community and guests to partner with CAU Public Safety to help keep our environment safe. Please see the following safety tips below:

- Program emergency phones numbers into your personal cell phone
- CAU Public Safety Department: 404-880-8911 (emergency) or 404-880-8623 (non-emergency)
- Ensure that your information is up to date on Banner Web to receive emergency notifications
- Familiarize yourself with the layout of the campus. Survey the campus while classes are in session and after dark to see which academic buildings, walkways, facilities, and parking lots are adequately secured and well-lit
- Plan the safest route to and from your destination; choose well-lighted, busy pathways and streets; avoid alleyways or "short cuts" through isolated areas
- If you observe subjects involved in a verbal or physical altercation, please report it immediately to a CAU Police Officer or Public Safety Officer

Click Here for a comprehensive listing of safety tips for you to follow and download the Panther Safe App to your cellular devices. Lastly, If You See something, Say Something! It is more than a slogan, it’s a mindset for all people to work together to ensure the safety of our communities. Together, we will have a safe and joyful Homecoming!

Clark Atlanta University Department of Public Safety