Tornado Procedure for MGA Residence Halls

Residential staff and students need to <u>update your contact information for Knight Alerts</u> and download the <u>MGA Guardian</u> app. If dangerous weather conditions develop or if any campus closures occur as a result of the weather, students and employees will be notified through these channels.

When a tornado warning is issued, Res Life staff will attempt to go door-to-door in their building and/or other assigned areas informing the residents of the tornado warning and the following instructions:

- Leave any room with a window.
- Shut the room door.
- Do not use elevators. Do not use fire alarms.
- Move as quickly as possible to the appropriate evacuation location listed below.
- Sit quietly and wait for the all clear to be announced.
- When instructed, students may return to their room if no damage has been sustained. If there has been damage to the hall, wait for further instructions.

Cochran Residence Halls

- First floor residents shelter in bathroom away from windows with all doors shut.
- Second floor residents evacuate to first floor hallway away from lobby & windows.
- Third floor residents evacuate to first floor hallway away from lobby & windows.
- Second & Third floor residents should shelter in bathrooms away from windows with all doors shut if they cannot safely make their way to the first floor hallways

Eastman Residence Hall

- First floor residents shelter in bathroom away from windows with all doors shut.
- Second floor residents evacuate to first floor hallway away from lobby & windows.
- Third floor residents evacuate to first floor hallway away from lobby & windows.
- Second & Third floor residents should shelter in bathrooms away from windows with all doors shut if they cannot safely make their way to the first floor hallways

Macon Residence Halls

• Shelter in bathrooms away from windows with all doors shut.

When severe weather occurs, listen to the radio or monitor the TV news for important weather alerts and warnings.

<u>Stay away from glass as much as possible.</u> Crouch with your knees on the floor, cover your head with your hands, and bend forward until your chin touches your knees.

Remain sheltered until the warning has been cancelled or the tornado has passed.