



July 22, 2019

Dear campus community,

Local, state and federal agencies will be conducting emergency preparedness exercises on Tuesday, July 23, and Thursday, July 25, at the Hearnes Center on the University of Missouri campus. The purpose of these exercises is to practice receiving evacuees as the result of a nuclear incident at the Callaway Energy Center near Fulton.

These drills are designed to ensure plans and procedures are in place to provide safe and adequate care to all affected persons in the event of an actual emergency. During these exercises, you might notice a high number of emergency personnel and emergency vehicles traveling to and around the Hearnes Center. This activity is part of the drill and is no cause for concern.

These are strictly training events and no hazardous or dangerous materials will be used during the drills. We ask that you not call 911 in regards to the drill activity near the Hearnes Center unless you are reporting an actual emergency.

The training drills will take place from:

- 4 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 23
- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 25

Agencies involved with this exercise include: MUPD, University of Missouri Health Care Ambulance Service, University of Missouri Intercollegiate Athletics, University of Missouri Environmental Health and Safety, Columbia Fire Department, Boone County Office of Emergency Management, Boone County Local Emergency Planning Committee, Columbia/Boone County Public Health and Human Services, Missouri State Emergency Management Agency, Missouri Department of Social Services, Missouri State Highway Patrol, Missouri Department of Transportation, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, The American Red Cross of Missouri-Arkansas, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Elizabeth Thompson, at ETHompson@boonecountymo.org or 573-554-7900.

Thank you for all you do to help keep our campus safe.

Sincerely,

R. Doug Schwandt, Chief
MU Police Department