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Ready for Hurricane Season
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Hurricane season is underway and USF St. Petersburg has worked diligently to ensure that the campus is prepared for the season.

The Office of Campus Computing has set in place several modular, mobile and redundant communication methods to make certain students, faculty, staff and the campus community are kept informed in the event of a campus emergency.

During emergency situations the offices of University Relations and Campus Computing will be responsible for sending out communication messages informing the campus community of the current state of affairs on campus. In between communications, faculty, staff and students will be able to access information pertinent to campus closings, and re-openings through WUSF (channel 89.7 FM), the USFSP homepage and by calling the USFSP emergency phone line at 727-553-4USF.

Here is a synopsis of the services available at USFSP:

**Reverse 911**— USF St. Petersburg is a reverse 911 certified site. The notification system can contact approximately 48 students every 30 seconds, up to a maximum of 5,760 calls per hour. Students can receive a voicemail message to their home, on-campus and cellular phones, according to their phone number on record in OASIS, to notify them of an emergency.

Students who would like to have text messages sent to their mobile phones should include their mobile contact in the "Address 3" field of their contact information in OASIS. Additionally, reverse 911 can send email messages to email addresses recorded in OASIS.

**Enhanced 911**—Enhanced 911 (e911) is available on residence hall and office phone networks and is registered with the Pinellas County e911 system. This service allows the e911 system to access the physical location where the call was placed.

**Voicemail**—In the event of an emergency Campus Computing and University Relations can send a voicemail message instantly to your office phone using the Cisco Unity voicemail system.

**Email**—University Relations and Campus Computing can use the Bayflash Emergency Notification System to send emails to USFSP students via the address recorded in their OASIS profile, or to faculty, staff and students using the USF email directory. USFSP's email system can also distribute text message notification to students’ mobile phones if their mobile number is provided in the "Address 3" line of their OASIS record.

**Building Access Control**—USFSP has an electronic Building Access Control locking system installed on more than 90 exterior or interior doors. When in "lockdown" mode, all users, including access card users, are restricted from entering buildings, offices or storage rooms.

**Video Surveillance**—USFSP has video surveillance and CCTV system installed in multiple buildings. There are more than 50 cameras, all of which are viewed at the USFSP police dispatch room.

**VPN Remote Access**—USFSP Campus Computing provides remote access to the campus network through a Virtual Private Network. The VPN allows your home or mobile computer to appear on the campus network, as if it were connected on campus. In the event of an emergency, faculty and staff will be able to retrieve files, connect to personal drives and access on-campus Web sites.

For more information on USFSP's emergency notification services, visit [www.stpt.usf.edu/computing/emergency_notification.htm](http://www.stpt.usf.edu/computing/emergency_notification.htm).

For information on hurricane preparedness, including how to prepare your office during a hurricane, visit [www.stpt.usf.edu/police/emergency.htm](http://www.stpt.usf.edu/police/emergency.htm).