The Safety of Our Campus is Everyone's Responsibility Training for Catawba College Faculty and Staff

How to Recognize Suspicious Circumstances

- Persons monitoring areas, entrances to buildings or buildings.
- Persons pacing back and forth who appear to be dazed or confused
- Persons speaking incoherently
- Persons wandering in residence halls or buildings that appear to have no legitimate purpose.
- Unauthorized persons in restricted or sensitive areas.
- Persons requesting sensitive information, building/HVAC plans, water, electrical, telecommunications locations, etc.
- Persons wearing clothing not consistent with weather conditions (i.e. person(s) wearing full length trench coats with boots in 70 degree weather).
- Persons abandoning packages, backpacks, briefcases in unusual areas, such as high traffic/high populated areas, i.e.: sporting events, lectures, common areas, etc.
- Persons attempting to access utility rooms.
- Multiple persons who appear to be working in consort, committing any of the above.
- Unusual powders or liquids/droplets/mists/clouds, especially found near intake/HVAC systems or enclosed spaces.
- Dead animals/birds, fish, insects.
- Unexplained/unusual odors. Smells may range from fruity/flowers to sharp/pungent, garlic/horseradish-like, bitter almonds, peach kernels, and newly mown grass/hay. Unusual/unscheduled spraying or discovery of spray devices or bottles.

Suspicious Vehicles:

- Abandoned vehicles, or unfamiliar parked vehicles, especially near sensitive areas, high traffic/populated areas, common areas, etc.
- Unexpected/unfamiliar delivery trucks.
- Vehicles containing suspicious persons, parcels or materials.
- A group of individuals sitting in a parked vehicle that appears to monitoring pedestrian behavior.
- Vehicles arriving and being left at odd hours, at odd locations.
- Unusual powders or liquids/droplets/mists/clouds leaking or spilling from vehicles.