

## FAQ: Classroom Security System



### What is the primary objective of the Classroom Security System?

- The primary objective is to provide immediate classroom security (i.e., locking the entry doors) and restricting access to Police only.
- Immediately alert the CU Anschutz Police Department (CUPD) of an incident requiring police assistance.

### How does the alarm process work upon initiation of a classroom alarm?

- Upon initiation of a classroom alarm, the system will:
  - Display a critical message at the Police Dispatcher console including building and room number.
  - Dispatch will announce the emergency for Police Officer response.
  - Lock all doors in all classrooms in the building, and all security doors in other areas of the building.
  - Change door access clearance to “Police Officers Only.”
  - Turn on blue strobe lights in the corridor outside the initiating classroom and inside all other classrooms in the building.

### When should I push the button?

- When an event or incident causes you to fear for your safety.
- Any time you think, “Should I push it?” **JUST PUSH IT.**

### What happens if I push the button?

- This will notify CUPD Dispatch and lock down the building.
- Police officers will be dispatched to the room where the button was pushed.

**What do I do if the lights start to flash?**

- If the incident is not in your space, remain where you are. Contact CUPD by calling 303-724-4444 or through the safe zone app.

**After I push the button, what should I do?**

- If the threat is still active in/near your space RUN, HIDE, or FIGHT.
  - Run- All the way out of the building
  - Hide- If safe, stay where you are, silence your cell phone
  - Fight- If able, fight as hard as possible

**What are the key components in each classroom and large conference area?**

- The key components include:
  - Locking hardware on each entry door set.
  - One or more wall-mounted covered panic alarms.
  - Ceiling-mounted blue strobe lights outside/inside classrooms.
  - Opaque light-permitting laminate over side-light and in-door glass.

**What are the occupant options for action during an active assailant event?**

- Occupants should:
  - Run away from the threat if possible.
  - Hide if you cannot run.
  - Fight as a last resort.
  - Know your exits and movement options.
  - Communicate with Police when safe.

**What is the purpose of the blue strobe lights?**

- The blue strobe lights facilitate a coordinated, rapid police response while alerting other building occupants.
- The blue strobe lights outside the room alert and signal the location where the panic alarm has been activated.
- The blue strobe lights inside the classrooms, notify occupants that an alarm has been activated in another classroom(s) in that building.