



EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

In case of campus emergency, call Security at 319.399.8888 and if warranted, call Cedar Rapids Police at 911.

Red Alert (immediate or imminent danger) — a situation where Coe students, faculty and staff are in imminent danger. A life-threatening situation exists.

Examples: a gunman on campus; a bomb threat has been made targeting the campus; hazardous material (such as a chemical leak or nuclear radiation) threatens the campus.

Notification methods:

- 1) “Red Alert” in subject line from EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email account.
- 2) “Red Alert” in cell phone text message, followed by details.

Yellow Alert (caution warranted) — a situation where Coe students, faculty and staff are in potential danger and caution is warranted. If the reason for concern develops further or materializes, it could become a life-threatening situation.

Examples: a dangerous criminal is believed to be in the vicinity of campus; an industrial chemical spill or leak at a nearby factory is being monitored; a 48-hour evacuation of campus has been ordered due to pandemic flu.

Notification methods:

- 1) “Yellow Alert” in subject line from EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email account.
- 2) “Yellow Alert” in cell phone text message, followed by details.

Security Bulletin (notification) — a security situation where Coe students, faculty and staff would benefit from general information regarding a security concern.

Examples: notification of car break-ins; a crime has occurred near campus, but the police believe it poses no danger to the Coe community; notification of campus sexual misconduct incidents.

Notification method:

- 1) “Security Bulletin” in subject line from CAMPUS SECURITY@COE.EDU email account.

Coe Update (latest information) — provided to communicate the latest information concerning an emergency situation as it unfolds.

Examples: an announcement of when students can return to campus following an evacuation; information on when power will be restored to campus.

Notification methods (one or more of the following):

- 1) “Coe Update” in subject line from EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email account.
- 2) “Coe Update” in cell phone text message, followed by details

In case of emergency, please check your Coe email account where detailed official information and instructions will be provided from the EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email address. In the case of an extended emergency or evacuation from campus, official information and instructions will be provided via the EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email address and the Coe website at www.coe.edu. If the college's email system and/or website are not operational, please refer to the text messages you will receive from Coe and go to www.coecollege1851.org for official information.

The Coe Emergency Alert System will be tested the first Wednesday of each month at 8:45 a.m. from September through April, in conjunction with the testing of the Linn County Civil Defense sirens. At these times, you will receive test messages stating “Coe Emergency Alert System test” from EMERGENCY@COE.EDU email address and through cell phone text messaging.