

September 4, 2019

As you are aware, the annual Oktoberfest festival will occur in the City of La Crosse from September 26th-29th. This festival brings many guests from across the country to our door steps. In years past some of these guests, along with some of our students, participated in a variety of disruptive and embarrassing events. Thus, in order to protect the safety of our student body and provide support for the positive behavior of UWL students, stricter safety and security measures have been put in place by the city and the three Higher Educational Institutions: Viterbo University, Western Technical College, and UWL.

Our goal is to create a safe environment in our residence halls, for UWL students.

As done in the past, the following measures will be implemented for our residence halls during Oktoberfest (9/26-9/29):

- Only UWL Students** will be allowed in the residence halls from 10pm Thursday-11am Sunday. No guests will be permitted to enter or stay in the residence halls (except parents/guardians).
- Side and back doors** will be locked and alarmed at 10pm Thursday and will remain alarmed until 11am on Sunday (ID card access will be prohibited during these hours). To gain access to your residence hall you will need to use the front door.
- Front doors** will be locked from 10pm Thursday-11am Sunday and hall access will only be permitted with your student ID card (**carry your ID card for hall access**).

We will have increased staff availability to provide safety and security throughout the weekend and to provide assistance as needed. In addition, many activities are being provided throughout campus for your enjoyment. Regardless which activities you choose to participate in, be safe, walk with friends, take care of one another, and represent yourself and UWL well!

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