



Campus Cops Corner

-Public Safety Tips for the PPCC Community-

Public Safety Bi-Weekly Newsletter

Our Colorado Rockies baseball team almost had their winning streak interrupted by a tornado this past weekend. There was another one near Aurora on June 7, 2009. There's no doubt about it, Colorado suffers about 60 tornados a year with annual numbers varying greatly year to year. They are particularly destructive and potentially dangerous, but there are a few measures you can take to help insure your safety

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TORNADO SEASON!

Despite the best efforts of the National Weather Service, we often get very little notice of an impending tornado. They form so suddenly that we often only get two-three minutes notice before they are upon us.

The National Weather Service does its best to mitigate this "short fuse" by first warning us of a "Tornado Watch" when conditions are favorable for the formation of a tornado, or advising us of a "Tornado Warning" when one has been spotted in our area.

If you're made aware of the presence of the tornado, you should seek shelter indoors. Flying debris is a major problem, and you're safer if you're indoors. Once indoors, you should stay away from windows and find an interior room (with no windows) at the lowest level in the building.

The Emergency Response Guides posted in every classroom and office in our college have a short bulleted list of things to do in the event of a tornado. Won't you please take a moment and peruse it, and use a pen to fill in the blank identifying your evacuation point.

For more information on tornado preparedness, go to the following web site: http://dola.colorado.gov/dem/public_information/emergency_kit.htm

Important Numbers & websites:

- 24-7 Emergency Number: 502-2911
- Emergency Alert Sign Up: www.ppcc.edu/alert

