# Oberlin

# **User Guide for ObieAlert Mobile Safety App**

ObieAlert is the official mobile safety app and system for Oberlin College and Conservatory. This guide explains how to use the app to stay safe on campus.



# **Before You Start**

Phone numbers and additional information can be updated on My Self Service Profile in <u>OberView</u>.
Follow this <u>User Guide</u> to add your cell-phone number to your profile then you will receive notifications text, emails, and calls from the ObieAlert App.

## Downloading the App

- 1. Download the ObieAlert app
  - a. For Apple
  - b. For <u>Android</u>
- 2. Open the app, click the Login button, and enter your Obie credentials.
- 3. Turn on the **ObieAlert app notifications** in the **system settings** on your phone.

### **App Functions**

**Emergency Contacts** 

In the Emergency Contacts section, you have three options:

- Call 911 (U.S. only)
- Call Campus Safety
- Call Suicide and Crisis Lifeline

#### **Mobile Blue Light**

- 1. Click the **Mobile Blue Light** button on the home screen.
- 2. Triggering the Mobile Blue Light function will:
  - Share your location with Campus Safety.
  - Initiate a call to dispatch.

#### **Friend Walk**

- 1. Click the Friend Walk button on the home page.
- 2. Click the Start Friend Walk button at the bottom of the screen. This will:
  - Prompt you to select a friend from your contacts.
  - Send a link with your location to that friend.
  - Allow you to pick your desired destination.

#### In Panic?

- Press the Notify Your Friend button.
- Your friend will be notified, and an emergency call will be triggered.

#### Report a Tip

If you witness a crime or harmful event, select the **Report a Tip** button on the home screen. You will have three options:

- 1. In-App Crime Tip: Fill out the fields provided to report your tip.
- 2. Call or Text a Tip: Use the call or text button to send in your report.
- 3. **Real-Time Tip Report to Dispatch:** Click **Chat Now** to communicate instantly with Campus Safety. (This chat function is available only when Campus Safety is online.)

#### Virtual Walk Home

- 1. Click the Virtual Walk Home button on the home screen.
- 2. This function shares your location with Campus Safety so they can monitor your walk home.
- Click the Start Virtual Walk Home button.
- Dispatch will be notified and will confirm they are monitoring.
- Pick your desired location on the map.
- Start your walk.

Need to Communicate an Emergency?

- Click **Emergency** for assistance.
- Click **Finish Tracking** once you safely arrive at your destination.

#### Safety Toolbox

Click the **Safety Toolbox** button on the home screen to access the following six options:

- 1. Oberlin Campus Safety Website
- 2. Chat with Oberlin Campus Safety
- 3. I'm OK!
- 4. Campus Map
- 5. Notification History
- 6. Share this App

#### Campus Map

- 1. Click the Campus Map button on the home screen.
- 2. Click the Interactive Map button to view available campus maps.

#### You can:

- View the interactive map.
- View a printable map.
- Access links to other resources, such as:
  - Directions to Campus
  - Visitor Parking
  - City of Oberlin Map
  - Lorain County Map

#### **Support Resources**

Click the **Support Resources** button on the home page to access four available support services:

#### 1. Academic Advising:

- Call for an appointment.
- Visit the website.
- Contact by email.

#### 2. Student Health:

- Call Student Health.
- Visit the website.
- Contact by email.

#### 3. Counseling & Psychological Services (CAPS):

- Provides free short-term therapy, psychiatry, group programming, consultation, and community referrals.
- Call CAPS.
- Visit the website.
- Contact by email.

#### 4. Harassment Help:

- Provides secure assistance for instances of sexual assault and campus harassment.
- Call (440) 775-844.
- Visit the Harassment website.
- Email for Sexual Assault and Harassment support.

#### Counseling

- Call Counseling & Psychological Services
- After-Hours Counseling
- Free Teletherapy
- Find a Provider