

Safety Alert from UMKC Police

December 9, 2014

STATEMENT ON CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

In a delayed report filed by a UMKC student on December 8 with the UMKC Police Department, the student reported that on November 24 at 1 p.m., the below-listed suspect approached him outside the Subway Restaurant, 825 E. 24th Street, and requested a ride. The suspect mentioned to the student that he had a gun. No weapon was ever observed on the suspect. The student, with his vehicle, transported the suspect to several locations in Kansas City. The student was able to drive away from the suspect when the suspect went into a restaurant. The student was not harmed and the suspect is still at large. The student immediately reported the incident to the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department. The KC & UMKC Police are investigating.

Description:

- Suspect: African American male, approximate age 25, 5'10" tall, thin build, black hair, brown eyes, tear drop tattoo on corner of right eye, reddish orange letters tattooed on knuckles of right and left hands, long black coat, black dockers-type pants, black Nike brand shoes, dark blue beanie-type hat.

If you have any information on this incident, please don't hesitate to call the UMKC Police Department at 816-235-1515 and ask to speak with the supervisor on duty.

Safety tips:

We want to remind you to be attentive to your surroundings at all times – whether on campus, shopping or at home.

If you feel threatened or suspect someone is following you, call 911 for help.

Complying with the demands of a person who is seeking to control your movements is usually a poor idea. Anyone who attempts to control you—by moving you to another room, putting you in a car, tying you up—probably intends to harm you. Every situation is unique, so no hard and fast rules apply, but in general, it's usually safer to stay visible in a public space than to follow demands that would take you and a potential assailant out of public view.

Crime prevention tips, as well as informational workshops, may be obtained by contacting the crime prevention office of the UMKC Police Department at 816-235-1515, or visiting the UMKC Police web site, <http://www.umkc.edu/adminfinance/police/>.