BIKE THEFT PREVENTION

Prevention of bicycle theft: Though these are not fool-proof methods they may help to deter a thief.

- Invest in a high-quality, high-grade, heavy duty U-Lock or high-security padlock with a heavy duty, case hardened coated cable or chain. Look for locks that have “hardened” stamped on the shackle. Locks should have a 7/16 hardened alloy steel shackle. If a chain is being used try for as heavy as a chain as you can carry on your bike such as a 3/8” (or greater) alloy steel or a 9/32” (or greater) boron steel.

- Lock the bicycle to bike stands that are in well-lit, highly populated areas. Both wheels and the frame should be secured to the immovable bike stand. The seat should be secured or removed.

- Consider engraving identification numbers on all metal parts of the bicycle. Be sure to properly seal engraved areas to prevent rust.

- Register your bicycle with a Bicycle Registration Program.

- Ensure that your bicycle is covered in your insurance policy.

CAMPUS SAFETY DEPARTMENT

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24 Hours/7 Days

Wayne County Community College District
The Harder We Ride...
The Better We Serve
The Wayne County Community College District’s Campus Safety Department’s Bicycle Unit was established in 2001. The officers volunteered for this unit, and through the Downriver Emergency Training Complex have successfully completed a 40-hour basic mountain bike officer course, and have obtained national certification from the law Enforcement Bicycle Association.

Bicycle patrol has emerged as an effective way to patrol today’s communities and provides the following benefits:

- Allows an officer to cover more territory
- Provides increased visibility creating a greater sense of security for students, faculty, and staff
- Provides less of a barrier than an automobile while improving community relations, and serving our students, faculty, and staff
- Allows officers to get into areas that normally are not easily accessible by patrol vehicles
- Allows the officers to approach suspicious activity inconspicuously
- Bicycle patrols are cost effective

**BE A SAFE CYCLIST**

- Protect your head—always wear a helmet
- See and be seen. Wear clothes that make you more visible, like light colors or reflective materials.
- Avoid riding at night. If you have to ride after dark, wear reflective clothing so you are more visible.
- Ride with traffic. Always be aware of the traffic around you and be prepared to stop.

Always use hand signals to tell other cars and bicyclists what you intend to do.

**Left turn**—left hand and arm extended straight out to the side of the bike.

**Right turn**—left hand and arm extended upward from your elbow out to the side of the bike.

**Stopping or slowing down**—left hand and arm extended down out to the side of the bike.