



Washington University in St. Louis

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency communication system to be tested 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 4th, 2021

Washington University in St. Louis (WashU) will test its emergency communication system at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 4th, 2021. These tests ensure WashU can effectively communicate with the community in an emergency. The test will take place unless there is the potential for severe weather that day or some other emergency is occurring at that time.

During the test, WashUAlerts will send emails to @wustl.edu addresses, voice calls to campus phones and cell phones, and text messages to cell phones. Emails will come from WashUAlerts@wustl.edu and voice calls/text messages from (314) 935-9000.

The Thursday, March 4th, 2021 drill will include testing of WashU's yellow Alertus beacons, which are located in various large gathering spaces, common areas and classrooms. University computers with the proper software, indoor address systems, Voice over Fire Alarm systems, cable TV overrides (Danforth Campus only), the WUSTL app, the WashU Safe app and the RSS feed to the emergency website will also be tested.



WashU students, faculty and staff are strongly encouraged to enter or update their contact information via HRMS and WebSTAC/SIS. The university uses the information in HRMS and WebSTAC/SIS to contact individuals when necessary in an emergency.

WashU community members who have more than one cell phone or pager number are encouraged to log in and include all numbers in their HRMS or WebSTAC/SIS profile.

If you wish to opt out of certain personal methods of communications, such as personal cell phone or home phone, you can go to <https://emergency.wustl.edu/tools-resources/washu-alert-system/>. Please note that some contact methods cannot be removed. Additional information about the WashUAlert system is also included on the site.

WashU students, faculty and staff also are encouraged to visit emergency.wustl.edu and learn more about how to prepare for and respond to severe weather and other emergencies.

If you have questions about the Thursday, March 4th, 2021 drill, email Emergency Management at WashUReady@wustl.edu