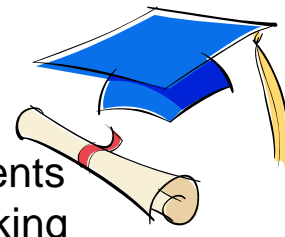




COLLEGE.



You can't wait for it. You dread it. Your parents nag you about it. Your friends can't stop talking about it. But are you ready?

Crime. Assault.

NOVA is here to help.



NOVA is the Network of Victim Assistance. Our organization supports, counsels and empowers victims of sexual assault and other serious crimes and works to eliminate violence in Bucks County through advocacy, community education and prevention programs.

Don't leave for college with only your transcript and dorm furniture. NOVA can help you prepare for the best years of your life!



10 ways to be smart at school



1. Never walk alone at night.
2. Be aware of date rape drugs. Don't accept beverages from people you don't know and don't leave your drink unattended.
3. Do not mix sexual decisions with drugs and alcohol. Your ability to make smart decisions is impaired.
4. When going out with someone new, don't feel you have to go alone. Go on a group date or meet in a public place.
5. Make sure a friend or roommate knows where you are at all times.
6. Always lock your dorm room door: it's like the front door to your house!
7. Keep the campus police phone number as a contact in your cell phone, just in case.
8. College may be the first time that you're in charge of your banking; make sure to keep your checkbook, PIN, SSN, and credit card safe—especially online.
9. Don't ever be afraid to say NO! It's your right.
10. Trust your gut! If you don't feel comfortable in a situation, leave.

If you're in Bucks County and want to contact NOVA, please call 215-343-6543 or our free 24-hour Victim Support Hotline at 1-800-675-6900.