

# THE CHIEF'S *Brief*

MAY 2023



## Safety Tips:

UPD is trying to see how we can better serve our community. We have compiled a short anonymous survey. Please click on the following link and let us know how we did in the 2022-2023 academic year and what we can do better in the future:

<https://forms.gle/xWWWDxzBX7QojYzz5>

Stay safe this summer and we will see you in the fall.

Most of all, have a safe and fun break!

If you see something, say something! If you see suspicious persons or activity, call your University Police Department immediately at 985-549-2222. We are available 24-7/365. We are physically located on the 1st floor of Pride Hall.

Send any questions or comments to [police@southeastern.edu](mailto:police@southeastern.edu).

We will see you around campus! LION UP!

*Chief Beckner*

Southeastern Louisiana University Police Department



# POLICE

## What we've been up to:

Welcome to this month's Chief's Brief. This is a monthly feature to let you, the Lion Community, know what has been happening on campus, where you can meet an officer, answer any questions you have about your University Police Department (UPD), and to offer a monthly safety tip.

Along with the members of UPD, I would like to congratulate all of our graduates! Your hard work and perseverance are paying off. On May 13th, you will celebrate a great personal achievement with family and friends. Faculty and staff, you should applaud yourselves as well. You have played a valuable role in each and every one of these graduates' success and continue to do so every semester.

As we celebrate commencement, UPD will continue to be visible, from directing traffic to patrolling inside the University Center. I want to remind all those planning to attend to arrive early as there will be heavy traffic. Pay attention to the officers directing you to the designated parking areas. Entry into the UC will follow Southeastern's clear bag policy, with medical and childcare exceptions.

I would also like to congratulate all the award recipients at the Division of Student Affairs Convocation that was held on April 25th. Lastly, I would like to congratulate our President, Dr. Crain for his many successful years serving the Southeastern Community. Enjoy your retirement.

## Upcoming UPD Events:

With the end of the school year quickly approaching, we are already planning for some new and exciting events for the fall.

I would like to talk about an event that just took place. On April 19th, University Police took part in the first Guns -N- Hoses Basketball game benefiting autism awareness. Your Southeastern Police Department partnered with the Hammond Police, Hammond Fire, and Independence Fire to help raise awareness of autism. The turnout at the UC was amazing with an attendance size was just north of 500.

Now, you may ask, "how did UPD do?" Even with our Officer for a day, Dr. Willis (your Dean of Students), we got beat by a young spirited team from the Hammond Fire Department. They did eventually beat Hammond PD for the championship, so we can say we lost to the best team. Our Officers did great and had a great time... the office did have that icy hot smell the next day. Thanks for all that came out and we look forward to a future rematch.

A big thank you to Athletic Director Artigues, Coach Guzzardo, and Coach Kiefer from Southeastern who refereed, along with Parish President Miller, City Court Judge Sledge, and Lathan Williams known as the "Umpire Kid". If I left anyone out, I apologize, and say thanks for giving your time to such a worthy cause.