As we begin a new semester, the Yale Public Safety team has a few important reminders and safety tips [1] for the Yale Community. See the message below that was sent by Chief Ronnell Higgins.

“Dear Yale Community Members,

As we begin a new semester, I would like to welcome you to campus.

For my team and me, public safety is a higher purpose. Keeping you and our shared community safe is our only priority. We take it personally.

That said, public safety is also a partnership. Here are four things you can do to help keep yourself and the community safe:
1. **Download the LiveSafe app** [2] to turn your mobile device into a safety device. It is loaded with practical features.

2. Don't walk alone at night; look for well-lit areas and use the shuttle bus [3] and walking escort services [4], which are available to the campus community.

3. Always be aware of your surroundings and stay alert when listening to headphones, texting, or talking on the phone. Street crimes can occur when individuals are distracted by these activities.

4. Recognize we have a lot of pedestrian and bicycle traffic in our community—and that’s a great thing. So please stay extra alert when you are driving and always yield to pedestrians in crosswalks. When you are walking or riding your bike, make sure others can see you, especially as we move later into the semester and the days get shorter.

You can [find more resources here](https://your.yale.edu/community/public-safety/stay-safe-yale-campus) [5].

Interested in how we approach public safety at Yale? I invite you to check out the Campus Roll Call podcast. With my co-host, Assistant Chief Anthony Campbell ’09 M.Div., ’95 B.A, we invite guests for candid conversations about race, equality, policing, leadership, and community. You can [find it on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUOLLNVBJGPiWcZ8yqkNvGw/featured) [6] or wherever you listen to podcasts.

Best wishes for a great fall semester.

Ronnell A. Higgins

Director of Public Safety & Chief of Police

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**Links:**

[1] https://view.message.yale.edu/?qs=bf76b4ca146c0653fe7178d1f1e3bf885ecb48c9118b168ecf1dca3540e86f7c5db9cc54c72a8bcb77d1317b2e745834082181d1fca4a9a49c4fd2c31ec169a3df14b1402d7f1e0594b9da9863f150


[6] https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUOLLNVBJGPiWcZ8yqkNvGw/featured