



## Policy Directory

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## **Emergency Alerts**

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### **Campus Emergency Notification System/Connect-ED**

Students, faculty and staff can be enrolled in Alcorn State University's state-of-the-art emergency notification system, Connect-Ed. It is the quickest way to ensure that our campus community receives critical university notifications on safety issues, school closings, weather alerts, and any other emergency or police matter.

The system sends simultaneous messages to all registered recipients: via text-message capable phones, PDAs, and computer e-mail in order to alert registrants of information critical to their safety and well-being.

It is crucial that we are able to notify our campus-community quickly in time-sensitive situations because up-to-date communication helps minimize the spread of misinformation, restore order, provide direction, and even save lives or injury.

The system can be used to notify entire student populations, faculty and staff members of school closures and contingency plans due to unforeseen incidents.

**It is imperative that you register to receive Connect-ED alerts if you are a part of the Alcorn Community.**

The Connect-ED service has been successfully used for communication by schools across the country during events, such as the wildfires in Southern California, Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Ernesto, school evacuations, campus notifications required by the Clery Act, and to help locate missing persons. [Click here for more information about Connect-ED](#)

- [\\*Click here to register for Connect-ED and receive emergency alerts](#)
- **Faculty and Staff** use full email address \*(to register)
- **Students** use only name that appears before the @alcorn.edu \*(to register)

For information about the Connect-ED service for post-secondary educators visit:  
[www.blackboardconnect.com](http://www.blackboardconnect.com)