

March 27, 2009

To the FIT Community

I am pleased to inform you that FIT is launching the Kaufman Hall Walk as of today, March 27, 2009. This walk is designed to enhance our students' sense of comfort when commuting after dark between our main campus on West 27th Street and Kaufman Hall on West 31st Street. It is an escorted walk which offers a structure for groups of students along with an FIT security guard to walk together between the two locations.

Here is how the walk will work:

Effective tonight, March 27, 2009, FIT Security will begin to escort students who are walking to and from Kaufman Hall after dark during the week and on weekends.

Students who are ready to leave the main campus to go to Kaufman Hall will meet in front of the Marvin Feldman Center (C Building) at two times during each hour after sunset and before sunrise. Meeting times will be as follows:

7:00 PM	7:30 PM
8:00 PM	8:30 PM
9:00 PM	9:30 PM
10:00 PM	10:30 PM
11:00 PM	11:30 PM
12:00 AM	12:30 AM
1:00 AM	1:30 AM
2:00 AM	2:30 AM
3:00 AM	3:30 AM
4:00 AM	4:30 AM
5:00 AM	5:30 AM

At each of these designated times, an FIT Security Guard will escort all students who have assembled to Kaufman Hall.

After the group arrives at Kaufman Hall, FIT Security will similarly escort all students who would like to return to West 27th Street. There will be two trips each hour through the night returning to the campus. Estimated times for departing Kaufman Hall are on the quarter hour (e.g.: 7:15 PM, 8:15 PM) and on the three-quarter hour (e.g.: 7:45 PM, 8:45 PM).

This service will continue through the end of exams and will resume again at the beginning of the fall semester. We hope it will provide added safety for students who make this commute and welcome comments and ideas from all members of the community as we go forward.

Sincerely,

Sherry F. Brabham