Counseling Services Talking Points with Students Regarding Campus Safety

- This campus is generally a very safe campus. We have never had a mass shooting incident on campus.

- There have been threats over the years, and campus takes these threats very seriously, working with others to conduct thorough investigations and follow-up.

- It is normal to feel concerned, especially at times when there may be a campus safety alert, and it is OK to seek support from others.

- Campus takes all threats seriously and as appropriate will institute increased security measures, and put campus on heightened alert. UW-River Falls is a caring community, and there are many persons working regularly to keep campus as safe and healthy as possible.

- We all play a role in keeping our campus safe, and as always, the campus and University Police ask persons to report anything that they find unusual, suspicious, or concerning to University Police.

- This campus and University Police take threats very seriously, no matter how much information that they get, even if they feel that the threat of violence is extremely low, they will take appropriate precautions, including sending out a campus safety alert if appropriate.

- If any student is particularly concerned and wishes to speak with a counselor about ways to help reduce their anxiety, students can contact Counseling Services at 715-425-3884 or stop by our office at 211 Hagestad to make an appointment.

Counseling Services reminds students that if students feel concerned about their safety that sometimes it helps to walk around campus with a friend or someone that they trust; it also helps to talk about it with others, but it’s also very helpful to get a break from thinking and talking about it too-so encourage students to make plans to do something fun to distract themselves, especially if perhaps they can get off campus for a while.