**Tornado Locations inside of Campus Buildings**

**Residence Halls:**

* Campus Ministry – SW corner of the basement
* Ferncliff – First floor hallway with doors closed (away from lounge windows)
* Firestine – First floor hallway with doors closed and campus radio station area and offices.
* Keller Place Apartments – Bathrooms in all apartments
* Myers – Basement laundry room and room 111 and the interior adjacent
* New Hall – First floor bathrooms
* Polis – Laundry room
* Sprecher Place Apartments – Bathrooms in all apartments
* Tower – Basement hallway by elevator
* Woodlawn – First floor hallway between student rooms with hallway doors shut

**Administrative And Academic buildings:**

* 49 & 51 E. College St. – Interior hallway away from windows
* Barbara Deer Kuss Science Center – Basement hallway in old building
* Bayley Alumni House – Basement interior storage rooms (copier room)
* Bayley-Diehl House – Basement away from windows
* Benham-Prince Student Center – Basement hallway by mechanical rooms
* Benjamin Prince House – Basement
* Blair Hall – Basement hallway with all doors shut
* Carnegie Hall – Basement hallway north and south sides not in front of main entrance
* Center for the Arts (Art Center) – Restrooms and/or East to West hallway between lobby and loading dock
* Center for Civic and Urban Engagement (Hagen Center) - Basement
* Chakeres Memorial Theatre – Truck storage room and hallway near elevators
* Edwards-Maurer field – HPE practice football field
* Health, Physical Education and recreation Center – Hallway near pool
* Hollenbeck Hall – Basement storage area
* Koch Hall – Basement hallway
* Krieg Hall – Basement hallways
* Matthies Honors House – Main floor restroom under the stairs/ storage room directly across from the main floor restroom
* Morris J. Knauss Greens Student residences (Faculty Court) – Basement
* Peace Center –SW corner of basement
* Physical Plant building – Basement south east corner
* Recitation Hall – Basement with all doors shut
* Shouvlin Center – Lowest level hallway
* Student Development House – Basement away from windows
* Synod Hall – Basement hallway near restrooms
* Thomas Library – Basement computer area
* Weaver Chapel – Basement near stairway
* Weaver Observatory – Basement away from all windows (ammonal storage room)
* William A. McClain Center for Diversity – Basement away from windows
* Zimmerman Hall – Basement hallway near lab/restroom area

**Non- Residence Hall Locations**

In all cases, move to the center of the building, on the lowest floor, and stay away from glass.

**In a house with a basement:** Avoid windows. Get in the basement and under some kind of sturdy protection (heavy table or workbench), or cover yourself with a [mattress](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/mattress.jpg) or sleeping bag. Know where very heavy objects rest on the floor above (pianos, refrigerators, waterbeds, etc.) and do not go under them. They may fall down through a weakened floor and crush you. Head protection, such as a helmet, can offer some protection also.

**In a house with no basement, a residence hall, or an apartment:** Avoid windows. Go to the lowest floor, small center room (like a bathroom or closet), [under a stairwell](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/stairs.jpg), or in an interior hallway with no windows. Crouch as low as possible to the floor, facing down; and cover your head with your hands. A [bathtub](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/bathtub.jpg) may offer a shell of partial protection. Even in an interior room, you should cover yourself with some sort of thick padding ([mattress](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/mattress.jpg), blankets, etc.), to protect against [falling debris](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/bathroom.jpg) in case the roof and ceiling fail. A helmet can offer some protection against head injury.

**In an office building:** Go directly to an enclosed, windowless area in the center of the building -- *away from glass* and on the lowest floor possible. Then, crouch down and cover your head. Interior stairwells are usually good places to take shelter, and if not crowded, allow you to get to a lower level quickly. Stay off the elevators; you could be trapped in them if the power is lost.

**At school:** Follow the drill! Go to the interior hall or windowless room in an orderly way as you are told. Crouch low, head down, and protect the back of your head with your arms. Stay away from windows and large open rooms like gyms and auditoriums.

**In a car or truck:** Vehicles are [extremely risky](http://www.spc.noaa.gov/faq/tornado/tor_faq/car.jpg) in a tornado. There is no safe option when caught in a tornado in a car, just slightly less-dangerous ones. If the tornado is visible, far away, and the traffic is light, you may be able to drive out of its path by moving at right angles to the tornado. Seek shelter in a sturdy building, or underground if possible. If you are caught by extreme winds or flying debris, park the car as quickly and safely as possible -- out of the traffic lanes. Stay in the car with the seat belt on. Put your head down below the windows; cover your head with your hands and a blanket, coat, or other cushion if possible. If you can safely get noticeably lower than the level of the roadway, leave your car and lie in that area, covering your head with your hands. [Avoid seeking shelter under bridges](http://www.srh.noaa.gov/oun/?n=safety-overpass), which can create deadly traffic hazards while offering little protection against flying debris.

**In the open outdoors:** If possible, seek shelter in a sturdy building. If not, lay flat and face down on low ground, protecting the back of your head with your arms. Get as far away from trees and cars as you can; they may be blown onto you in a tornado.