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OHIO HOMELAND SECURITY PARTNERS WITH THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER AND WOOSTER LAW ENFORCEMENT ON PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR A SAFER OHIO

WOOSTER-Ohio Homeland Security joined The College of Wooster's Department of Security, and other Wooster area law enforcement to promote participation in the public awareness campaign called "**See Something, Say Something.**" The campaign, developed by Ohio Homeland Security, aims to educate Ohioans on the possible signs of terrorism and encourages the public to report suspicious activity to law enforcement.

"Ohioans can play a role in strengthening our homeland security efforts and protecting themselves and our state," said Director Morckel, who also chairs the State of Ohio Security Task Force. "Through the help of The College of Wooster, Wooster law enforcement, and our other partners, we want to make Ohioans aware about the importance of reporting suspicious activity through the *See Something* campaign."

Wooster-area partners participating in the campaign to help distribute information include:

- **The College of Wooster**
- **Wooster Police Department**
- **Wayne County Sheriff's Office**

The **See Something, Say Something** campaign provides examples of suspicious behavior and urges the public to contact local law enforcement or the Ohio Terrorism Tipline (1-877-OHS-INTEL) if suspicious activity is observed. The campaign involves informational posters and other marketing materials that will be distributed to public places across the state such as BMV locations, driver exam stations, highway rest stops, parks, schools and transportation hubs. The posters remind Ohioans to "always be alert and aware of surroundings" and to report things that seem out of the ordinary such as:

- **Unattended or abandoned bags in public places**
- **Suspicious or unusual behavior such as someone tampering with security equipment; videotaping or casing a government building; or wearing a bulky winter coat on a hot summer day**

The *See Something* materials also will be translated into Spanish, Arabic and other languages and will be distributed throughout Ohio with the help of the Ohio Homeland Security Multicultural Affairs Office and the Ohio Hispanic Coalition.

For more information regarding "**See Something, Say Something,**" please contact Lindsey Wayt at (614) 752-6585.