

JHU Security Office Prevention Tip Of the Day

Deter muggings – If you carry a purse, carry it close to your body, like a football player carries a football. Do not place the strap across your body or over your shoulder. When the robber grabs your purse, you may be pulled along with the robber until the strap breaks and you are injured.

Reduce the risk of burglary – Always lockup. Don't overlook the obvious. Doors and windows should be locked up, not only when you leave home, but when you are elsewhere in the house or the garden. Cut away camouflage. Tree, shrubs, fences and walls can provide coverage for an intruder. Keep windows, doors, pathways well lit up at night. Also, remember to lock up your sheds and garages, if there is connection door from your home to your garage ensure it is always locked.

Deter theft from your auto -- If you must leave empty boxes and briefcases inside the car, leave them open so that it is clear to someone outside the car that they contain nothing valuable. Do not leave inside your vehicle any electronic devices or their accessories in plain view. Save yourself the trouble of a broken window -- Don't leave out in plain view anything that might excite a thief's imagination.