The University of Kentucky has developed an online system called "Student Alert" that allows individuals to make a report when they develop a concern about the welfare of a student. Once a "Student Alert" has been submitted, the Students of Concern (SOC) Case Manager is automatically notified and along with the SOC Committee can begin to take the appropriate action.

* The "Student Alert" system and the SOC Committee are NOT resources to be used for emergencies!

  If you are in an emergency situation that requires medical, psychological or police services, call 911 from a campus phone.
  Off-campus and cell phones, 859-257-UKPD (8573).

  Do not use the Student Alert system if an immediate response is required.
  Once the situation is safe, you should submit a "Student Alert".

The "Student Alert" report system is accessed via the myUK portal*.

* (Currently online access to the "Student Alert" reporting system is limited to certain UK faculty and staff. See below for information on how to report if you don’t have access to the form.)

Once logged in to the myUK portal you:

1. Select the "Student Administration" tab and then
2. Select "Student Alert."
3. Enter the Student name or ID and click "Search."
4. Review the search result(s) and click your intended selection.
5. Fill out the form* as completely as possible and click "submit."

If you do not have access to the Student Alert form via myUK, you may phone the SOC Case Manager directly at 859-257-5134. After regular business hours, you may call the after-hours cell at 859-576-0871.

The SOC Committee meets weekly during the fall and spring semesters and as needed at other times of the year. The Committee reviews the submitted alerts, discusses and determines appropriate outreach/intervention. Referrals are then made to the appropriate department or agency. The SOC Case Manager provides liaison and follow-up as needed and maintains documentation of alert submissions, outreach, and referrals.

*The Student Alert system and SOC process is not meant to replace individual interventions by faculty and staff and The SOC process should only be used if other direct methods have been tried and failed!
What are examples of appropriate times to notify the SOC via the Student Alert system? Examples:

1. If a Resident Advisor or Hall Director becomes aware that a student is skipping class, sleeping much of the day and is in general withdrawn from campus life, and repeated attempts to contact the student are unsuccessful, we recommend that the RA or HD complete a Student Alert. We also recommend that the RA or HD inform the student that due to behavior and academic concerns, the information has been shared with the SOC Committee.

2. When assessing midterm grades, a faculty member realizes a student is in danger of failing the class and therefore schedules a meeting with the student. When meeting with his professor, the student reveals personal details that are affecting the student's academic progress. The faculty member offers information on UK resources available to the student (i.e., the Counseling Center, the Violence Intervention and Prevention Center). After a few weeks, the faculty member notices that the student's academic status is not improving and the situation may be getting worse. The faculty member is now encouraged to engage the SOC for assistance. The faculty member should also inform the student that the SOC Committee is being alerted.