

Our Mission Statement:

We, members of the Sewanee Police Department, are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life on the University of the South Campus by providing a safe, secure environment in which to live, learn, work, and grow. Our mission will be accomplished by partnering with members of our community, students, and employees. Through these partnerships, we will preserve a learning environment that supports academic freedom, fair and equal treatment, respect for diversity, and an open exchange of ideas.

Many of you have heard the words “protect and serve” and if you look around you will see at this very moment Sewanee Police Officers doing just that! This march is being escorted by police officers that without hesitation are committed to doing whatever it takes to keep members of this community safe. Know that we, members of the Sewanee Police Department, care about you and we believe in our mission. We are thankful for the relationships we have and for those that we continue to build. Over the past few years our partnerships with students and community members have been tested; each time we have stood together with open minds and resolved our issues. Without you our mission cannot be accomplished! We are fortunate to live and work in place where the opportunity to form positive and lasting relationships is abundant. I’m reminded of this daily through interactions with students and community members.

ALL LIVES DO MATTER! Regardless of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, or disability! Our pledge to you: Members of the Sewanee Police Department will continue to police fairly without bias or prejudice. Nothing less is acceptable!

Chief Marie Eldridge