

## Fraternity and Sorority Life

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Fellow Blue Raiders,

On September 19, 2014, young men were challenged by President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden to take a stand against sexual violence and work to stop it wherever it occurs. On October 8, 2014, the Interfraternity Council at Middle Tennessee State University committed to take a stand against sexual assault by endorsing the ["It's On Us"](#) campaign.

This pledge is a personal commitment to help keep women and men safe from sexual assault. It is a promise not to be a bystander to the problem, but to be a part of the solution. MTSU's IFC is proud to endorse this.

It's On Us is a cultural movement aimed at fundamentally shifting the way we think about sexual assault. It's On Us is a rallying cry inviting everyone to step up and realize that the solution begins with us. It's a declaration that sexual assault is not only a crime committed by a perpetrator against a victim, but a societal problem in which all of us have a role to play. We are reframing sexual assault in a way that inspires everyone to see it as their responsibility to do something, big or small, to prevent it.

Everyone is asked to create an environment, be it a dorm room, a party, a club or a sports team, or the greater college campus, where sexual assault is unacceptable and survivors are supported.

IT'S ON US: all members of the MTSU community.

As a member of the MTSU community, IFC asks that you take the [pledge](#):

- To [recognize](#) that non-consensual sex is sexual assault.
- To [identify](#) situations in which sexual assault may occur.
- To [intervene](#) in situations where consent has not or cannot be given.
- To [create](#) an environment in which sexual assault is unacceptable and survivors are supported.

If you have any questions or need assistance educating a friend, please contact IFC's Vice President of Member Development, Mitch Denning at [mitch.denning1@gmail.com](mailto:mitch.denning1@gmail.com) or the Coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Life, Donald Abels at [Donald.Abels@mtsu.edu](mailto:Donald.Abels@mtsu.edu).

Go Blue,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitch Denning".

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