
BP 5500 Standards of Conduct

Reference:

Education Code Section 66300

The Superintendent/President shall establish procedures for the imposition of discipline on students in accordance with the requirements for due process of federal and state laws and regulations.

The procedures shall identify potential disciplinary actions, including, but not limited to, the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student.

The procedures shall be made widely available to students through the college catalog and other means.

A. Definition of “Good Cause”

1. The following conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student. “Good Cause” includes, but is not limited to the following verifiable offenses and/or conditions:
 - a. Continued disruptive behavior, continued willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or persistent abuse of a student, college personnel or visitors to the campus.
 - b. Assault, battery, or any threat of force or violence upon a student, college personnel, or visitors to the campus.
 - c. Willful misconduct.
 - d. The use, sale, possession, or being under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs, or any other controlled substance on campus or at any college-sponsored event or activity.
 - e. Persistent smoking in non-smoking-designated areas.
 - f. Dishonesty, including cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism of a student publication), or engaging in other academic misconduct. See, Administrative Procedure 5500A, “Definition of Academic Dishonesty.”
 - g. Forgery, alteration or misuse of college documents, records, identification, or knowingly furnishing false information to the district.

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- h. Lewd, indecent or obscene conduct or expression on campus or at any college-sponsored event or activity.
- i. Unauthorized entry or use of college facilities.
- j. Possession of any weapon or explosive device on campus.
- k. Wagering and gambling.
- l. Hazing, or any act that injures, degrades, or disgraces an individual.
- m. A health condition (whether communicable or non-communicable) for which continued participation in the educational program presents a valid concern for the protection of the health and safety of the student, other students, college personnel, or members of the public.
- n. Unauthorized access or attempt to access restricted computer data.
- o. Robbery, extortion, causing or attempting to cause damage, stealing or attempting to steal district or private property on campus, or knowingly receiving stolen district or private property on campus.