

## 1.0 Student Rights

### 1.1 Student Publications

1.1.1 In preparing student publications, the editorial staff and faculty advisors shall be free from censorship and advance copy approval except as provided by published District policy, statutes, or campus regulation. Student publications shall:

1.1.1.1 Adhere to canons of responsible journalism, such as avoidance of libel, obscenity, undocumented allegations, attacks on personal integrity, and the techniques of harassment and innuendo;

1.1.1.2 state on the editorial page that the opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the College or the student body.

### 1.2 Support Causes

1.2.1 Students shall have the right to take stands on issues, the right to examine and discuss questions of interest to them, and the right to support causes by orderly means which are in harmony with the regular functioning of the institution.

### 1.3 Free Assembly

1.3.1 Students shall have the right to hear speakers on any subject and on-campus recognized student organizations shall have the right to present speakers on any subject. In addition, students shall have the right of free assembly on each campus subject to regulations that assure the regular functioning of the institution.

1.3.2 The policies and regulations shall include reasonable provisions for the time, place and manner of conducting these activities, but shall not prohibit the right of students to exercise free expression including, but not limited to, the use of bulletin boards, the distribution of printed materials or petitions, and the wearing of buttons, badges and other insignia. (Education Code § 76120)

1.3.2.1 Expression which is obscene, libelous or slanderous according to current legal standards, or which so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on college premises, or the violation of lawful District or college regulations, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the college, shall be prohibited. (Education Code § 76120)

1.3.2.2 These regulations shall be published in the college catalog, the student handbook, and by any other means designed to notify and inform affected persons.

#### 1.4 Free to Organize

1.4.1 Students shall have the right to form an organization around any particular interest; this right will include the freedom to organize and to join student organizations subject to published campus and District regulations.

#### 1.5 Voice in Decision Making

1.5.1 Students shall have the right to be informed and participate on all campus matters that can be shown to be directly relevant to them with the exception of staff appointment, evaluation, termination and tenure.

1.5.2 In case of conflict in determining what campus matters are relevant to students, the determination will be made by a campus-designated student, faculty, administrative committee.

1.5.3 In addition, student representatives shall be members of all faculty and administrative committees related to students' concerns; such student representatives shall have a vote as committee members.

#### 1.6 Confidentiality

1.6.1 Students' records will be released only on the written consent of the students or as provided by law. (Education Code §§ 76242 and 76243)

#### 1.7 Academic Evaluation

1.7.1 Students shall have the right of protection against prejudiced or capricious academic evaluation. At the same time, however, students are responsible for maintaining standards of academic performance established in advance for each course in which they are enrolled.

#### 1.8 Grievance Procedure

1.8.1 Students shall have the right to file a grievance, as outlined in the procedures of the District Student Grievance Policy and Regulations (P/R-2412), in the event of an alleged violation of their rights.

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