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

The procedures shall clearly define the conduct that is subject to discipline, and shall identify potential disciplinary actions, including but not limited to the removal, suspension, or expulsion of a student. The Superintendent/President shall provide due process to students prior to suspension or expulsion.

The Governing Board shall consider any recommendation for expulsion from the Superintendent/President. The Governing Board shall consider an expulsion recommendation in closed session unless the student requests that the matter be considered in a public meeting. Final action by the Governing Board on the expulsion shall be taken at a public meeting.

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

Students are expected to behave in an ethical and moral fashion, respecting the human dignity of all members of the Chaffey College community and resisting behavior that may cause danger or harm to others which shall include, but not be limited to, violence, theft or bigotry. Students are expected to observe established standards of scholarship and academic freedom by respecting the intellectual property of others and by honoring the right of all students to pursue their education in an environment free from harassment and intimidation.

Grievance Process

The Grievance Process is an important part of our legal system that protects every member of the community against laws and actions that could be classified as capricious, arbitrary, or unreasonable. The student should be protected against professionally inappropriate evaluations by a faculty member. Students who make false or malicious charges against Chaffey College personnel could be subject to disciplinary actions. It is imperative therefore, that fair and equitable grievance procedures for Chaffey College students regarding course grades are established.

The Superintendent/President shall provide a grievance process to those students who believe that they have not been accorded a reasonable interpretation of their rights, and inform students about the process.

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The following conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student:

- Causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person.
- Possession, sale, or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student has obtained written permission to possess the item from a District employee, which is concurred in by the Superintendent/President.
- Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell, or furnishing, or being under the
 influence of, any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with
 Section 11053) of Division 10 of the California Health and Safety Code, an
 alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind; or unlawful possession of, or
 offering, arranging or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia, as defined
 in California Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.
- Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.
- Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private property on campus.
- Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus, or knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus.
- Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law or by regulation of the college or the District.
- Committing sexual harassment as defined by law or by District policies and procedures.
- Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by law.
- Engaging in intimidating conduct or bullying against another student through words or actions, including direct physical contact; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-calling; social isolation or manipulation; and cyberbullying.
- Willful misconduct which results in injury or death to a student or to college
 personnel or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or
 personal property owned by the District or on campus.

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- Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the open and persistent defiance of the authority of, or persistent abuse of, college personnel.
- Cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism in a student publication), or engaging in other academic dishonesty.
- Dishonesty, forgery, alteration or misuse of college documents, records or identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District.
- Unauthorized entry upon or use of college facilities.
- Lewd, indecent, or obscene conduct on District-owned or controlled property or at District-sponsored or supervised functions.
- Engaging in expression which is obscene; libelous, or slanderous; 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 administrative
 procedures, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the District.
- Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.
- Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any Board policy or administrative procedure.
- Engaging in an act of bullying against anyone, including but not limited through means of an electronic act through use of Chaffey College facilities, Chaffey College electronic communication equipment, or Chaffey College email/websites/portals/forums.
- Engaging in any act of bullying by means of any electronic act, whether off or on campus and whether or not through use of the user's personal electronic equipment/device(s) or non-Chaffey College e-mail/websites/communications/ forums, when directed toward a student, employee, or representative of Chaffey College, or when directed against any individual and when the act has a nexus to school attendance/activities by posing a threat or danger to the safety of students, staff, or property of Chaffey College, or if it materially and substantially disrupts the school environment.





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References: Education Code Sections 66300 and 66301;

WASC/ACCJC Accreditation Standard II.A.7.b

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