#### WESTERN NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# **Board of Governors' Policy**

**TITLE:** Student Code of Conduct

**DIVISION:** Student Services

**CATEGORY:** Student Rights and Responsibilities

**REFERENCE:** Nebraska Revised Statute §85-1511(11)

**NUMBER:** BP-560

**APPROVAL/DATE:** F. Lynne Klemke, President, WCCA Board of Governors

Date: February 17, 2021

### **Purpose**

To establish a standard code of conduct for students.

### Scope

This policy applies to all Western Nebraska Community College students regardless of department, division, status, classification, type, or location.

As an educational institution of higher education, Western Nebraska Community College seeks to provide the best educational environment for its students, faculty, and staff. The purpose of this Student Code of Conduct is to help ensure a safe and educationally productive environment for students, employees, and visitors. Conduct that adversely affects a student's responsible membership in the academic community shall result in appropriate disciplinary action.

To carry out its goal, the WNCC requires each student to obey the rules and regulations established by the College and all local, state, and federal laws. The College will not tolerate deliberately disruptive words, actions, violence, or physical interference with the rights of any member of our College community or with any of the facilities of the College, or with any authorized functions being carried out on the College campus or at any College-sponsored event.

Therefore, in furthering the educational aims of the College and in compliance with state and federal law, the College President is empowered to establish, publish, and disseminate Student Code of Conduct procedures establishing the rules and regulations concerning conduct, the means of enforcement, and penalties for any violations thereof.

The College will have jurisdiction over misconduct that occurs on the College campus and/or premises, at College-sponsored activities (on or off campus), with the use of College property, and may also address off-campus behavior if the College determines that the student's conduct, or the

continued presence of the student, adversely affects the educational environment, processes or functions of the College.

# **Revising this Policy**

This Board Policy supersedes any prior WNCC policy, procedure, guideline, or handbook on this subject matter.

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**Prior Policy/Procedure Number:** 

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**Schedule for Review:** 

**Divisions/Department Responsible for Review and Update:** Student Services **Sponsoring Division/Department:** Student Services

Repeal Date and Board of Governors' Minute Item Number:

**Cross Reference:** 

**Procedure(s) for Policy:** 

PP-560 (Student Code of Conduct)

**Related Policies/References:**