



SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Student Code of Conduct

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Acknowledgement

The Southeast Community College *Student Code of Conduct* is adapted from The NCHERM Group Model Developmental Code of Student Conduct and is used here with permission. (The NCHERM Group Model Code Project, 2013.)

Preface

The mission of Southeast Community College is to empower and transform the diverse learners and communities of southeast Nebraska through accessible lifelong educational opportunities. The College provides dynamic and responsive pathways to career and technical, academic transfer, and continuing education programs that contribute to personal, community, and workforce development.

SCC Philosophy of Student Conduct

The mission of SCC Student Conduct is to provide students with clear expectations of conduct and community standards; consistent processes when expectations are not met; and interventions and programming that promotes the development of moral and social growth as well as ethical decision-making skills. This aligns with the SCC's commitment to transform and empower its diverse learners for fulfilling careers, life-long learning, and community and societal advancement.

A community exists based on shared values and principles. At SCC, all students enrolled are expected to conduct themselves as good citizens of an educational community. Students are expected to follow the laws of the local and state jurisdiction as well as the college rules and standards. These standards are rooted in a set of core values that include demonstrating accountability, integrity and respect for others; pursuing excellence in fulfilling responsibilities; being honest, kind and compassionate; and adhering to the principles of diversity.

There are times when violations occur and, in these situations, students responsible for the violation will receive instruction that is fair and consistent. Due process allows all students the right to be heard and for appeal and is intended to provide clear guidance to students who violate conduct expectations, to protect the interests of the SCC college community and to provide opportunities for growth and development. Sanctions are educational in nature, intended to challenge students' moral and ethical decision-making and designed to help students develop and engage in behavior that aligns with our community expectations and standards.

Southeast Community College considers the whole student in our approach to student conduct and applies restorative practices in the resolution of many concerns. While student conduct procedures are conducted with fairness to all, they do not include the same protections of due process afforded by the courts, and the process is quite different from criminal and civil court proceedings. No student will be found in violation of College policy without indication that it is more likely than not that a policy

violation occurred, and any response or sanction will be proportionate to the severity of the violation and to the cumulative conduct history of the student.

We encourage all students who are found in violation of the Code of Conduct to actively engage in the restorative justice process by identifying the harm that was caused and identifying strategies to repair or remedy the harm with the Dean of Students, Associate Dean of Students or designee. It is our belief that engaging in the restorative justice process positively impacts student growth and development by providing the student the opportunity to engage in critical thinking, perspective-taking, and solution generation. Additionally, students who participate in student conduct processes that utilize restorative practices report feeling higher levels of personal responsibility, belonging, empowerment, empathy and fairness (Karp & Sacks, 2014). By engaging students in a process that feels equitable, fair and encourages active accountability, the student's SPIRE (spiritual, physical, intellectual, relational, and emotional well-being) is enhanced.

Definitions

Administrator – college officials responsible for administration of the *Student Code of Conduct*.

Administrative Resolution – determination by the assigned Administrator whether the student conduct matter can be resolved by mutual consent of the parties in a manner acceptable to the Dean of Students or designee.

Conduct Committee – a group of College faculty and staff authorized by the Dean of Students or designee to determine whether a student has violated the *Student Code of Conduct* and/or to recommend sanctions that may be imposed when a violation(s) has been committed.

Dean of Students team – a group comprised of the college Deans of Students and Associate Deans of Students.

Conduct Resolution Meeting - provides an opportunity for the responding student to share his/her insight into the alleged incident and misconduct with the assigned Administrator and to determine incident outcome.

Interim Sanctions - consequences assigned to students due to their disciplinary and safety-related charges pending Student Code of Conduct proceedings.

Investigator – individual who presents the allegations and shares evidence that the College has obtained regarding the allegations during Formal Conduct proceedings.

Party Bringing Complaint/Complainant – any person or group who submits a charge alleging that a student violated the *Student Code of Conduct*.

Preliminary Review – initial collection of information and initial fact-finding to determine if a *Student Code of Conduct* violation occurred which warrant further investigation.

Preponderance of evidence – the standards of proof governing the student conduct system and means that “more likely than not,” a violation of the *Student Code of Conduct* has occurred.

Responding Student or Respondent – any student accused of allegedly violating this *Student Code of Conduct*.

Official with Authority (OWA)– any College employee who has responsibility to implement corrective measures for harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation on behalf of the College.

Sanctions - consequences assigned to students because of their disciplinary charges.

Sexual Harassment – an umbrella category, which includes the offenses of sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, is defined as any conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following: (1) an employee of the College conditioning the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of the College on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct; or (2) unwelcome conduct determined by a reasonable person to be so severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that it effectively denies a person equal access to the College's education program or activity. (See *Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation Policy* (E-18) for further information).

Title IX – Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (www.justice.gov/crt/title-ix-education-amendments-1972) protects individuals from discrimination based on sex in any educational program or activity operated by recipients of federal financial assistance. Sexual harassment is a form of sex discrimination prohibited by Title IX. It applies to all forms of sexual discrimination, including sexual harassment, sexual abuse, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking, collectively referred to as sexual misconduct by the college. It also applies to all forms of gender-based harassment*. Title IX applies equally to students, college employees, and non-employee third parties.

****The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights enforces Title IX's prohibition on discrimination based on sex to also include discrimination based on gender identity.***

Scope

Students at SCC are provided information about the *Student Code of Conduct* during New Student Orientation and in the SCC Student Planner. [The Student Code of Conduct](https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/student-code-of-conduct/index.php) can also be found at <https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/student-code-of-conduct/index.php>. Printed copies are available upon request from the Dean of Students. Students are responsible for having read and following the *Student Code of Conduct*.

The *Student Code of Conduct* and the student conduct process applies to the conduct of individual students at all college-owned or controlled property and all College-affiliated student organizations, events and activities on or off campus. The SCC *Student Code of Conduct* applies to any individual enrolled in any credit or non-credit course and as long as the student has a continuing educational interest in the College.

The *Student Code of Conduct* applies to guests of SCC students may be held accountable for the misconduct of their guests. The Code may also be applied to resident non-students, campers and high school bridge/extension/partner/dual-credit and continuing education programs by contractual agreements. Students, visitors to and guests of the College may seek resolution of violations of the *Student Code of Conduct* committed against them by members of College community by submitting a report via the [SCC Complaints and Concerns Reporting \(SCC CCR\)](https://www.southeast.edu/student-life/safe-campuses/complaints-concerns-file-a-report.php) process (<https://www.southeast.edu/student-life/safe-campuses/complaints-concerns-file-a-report.php>) or to a College Administrator.

The *Student Code of Conduct* may also apply off-campus when the Dean of Students or designee determines that the student's conduct presents a danger or threat to the health or safety of him/herself or others.

The *Student Code of Conduct* may be applied to behavior conducted online, via email or other electronic mediums. Students should also be aware that online postings such as blogs, web postings, chats and social networking sites are in the public sphere and are not private. These postings can subject a student to allegations of conduct violations if evidence of policy violations is posted online. The College does not regularly search for this information but may act if such information is brought to the attention of College officials. However, most online speech by students not involving SCC networks or technology will be protected as free expression and not subject to this Code, with two notable exceptions:

- A true threat, defined as “a threat a reasonable person would interpret as a serious expression of intent to inflict bodily harm upon specific individuals” is made by a student;
- Speech posted online about the College or its community members by a student causes a significant on-campus disruption.

The College retains conduct jurisdiction over students who choose to take a leave of absence, withdraw or have graduated for any misconduct that occurred prior to the leave, withdrawal or graduation. If sanctioned, a hold may be placed on the student's ability to re-enroll and/or obtain official transcripts and/or graduate. All sanctions must be completed to an acceptable level prior to reviewing re-enrollment eligibility.

There is no time limit on reporting violations of the *Student Code of Conduct*; however, the longer someone waits to report an offense, the harder it may become for College officials to obtain information and witness statements and to make determinations regarding alleged violations.

Though anonymous complaints and reports are permitted, doing so may limit the College's ability to investigate and respond to a complaint. Those who are aware of misconduct are encouraged to report it as quickly as possible via the online Complaints and Concerns reporting system, CCR, or directly to the Dean of Students or Campus Security.

Allegations of sexual harassment, including but not limited to sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking will be referred to the Title IX Administrator for review and investigation (See *Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation* policy (E-18) for further information).

Violations of the Law

Alleged violations of federal, state and local laws may be investigated and addressed under the *Student Code of Conduct*. When an offense occurs over which the College has jurisdiction, the College *Student Code of Conduct* process will usually go forward independent of any criminal complaint that may arise from the same incident.

Investigation Delays

SCC may be delayed or prevented from conducting its own investigation and resolving the allegation because of a criminal investigation. In such cases, the College will only delay its hearing until it can conduct an internal investigation or obtain sufficient information independently or from law enforcement on which to proceed. Where the allegation involves a threat to safety, the college may

initiate protective action and/or interim sanctions to ensure the safety of others despite an ongoing criminal investigation.

Attempted Violations

In most circumstances, the College will treat attempts to commit any of the violations listed in the *Student Code of Conduct* as if those attempts had been completed.

False Reports

It is a violation of the *Student Code of Conduct* to make an intentionally false report of any policy violation.

Amnesty

SCC provides amnesty to individuals who may be hesitant to report to College officials because they fear that they themselves may be accused of minor policy violations, such as underage drinking, at the time of the incident. Educational options will be explored, but no conduct proceedings or conduct sanctions will result.

1. For Those Who Help

To encourage students to offer help and assistance to others, SCC pursues a policy of amnesty for minor violations when students offer help to others in need. At the Dean of Students' discretion, amnesty may also be extended case-by-case to the person receiving assistance. Educational options may be explored in lieu of conduct proceedings or sanctions.

To be eligible for consideration, students must follow the following protocol: 1) Call for help. Students must contact police or other college staff to request help for themselves or another person. 2) Remain on the scene and with the person who needs help. 3) Cooperate with the first responders and with staff following the incident.

2. For Those Who Report Serious Violations

Students who are engaged in minor violations but who choose to bring related serious violations by others to the attention of the College may be offered amnesty for their minor violations. Educational options may be explored instead of conduct proceedings or sanctions.

Abuse of amnesty requests can result in a decision by the Dean of Students or designee not to extend amnesty to the same person repeatedly.

3. Drug and/or Alcohol Use

SCC believes that students who have a drug and/or alcohol dependency problem are deserving of help. If any College student brings their own use, addiction, or dependency to the attention of College officials **independent of** the threat of drug tests or conduct sanctions and seeks assistance; a conduct complaint will not be pursued. A written action plan may be used to track

cooperation with the assistance plan by the student. Failure to follow the action plan may revoke the amnesty protection and campus conduct processes may be initiated.

Standards of Conduct

ARTICLE 1. Honesty and Integrity

Students should act in a manner that demonstrates honesty and integrity. Violations include:

1. **Falsification.** Knowingly furnishing or possessing false, falsified or forged materials, documents, accounts, records, identification or financial instruments.
2. **Academic Dishonesty.** Engaging in acts of academic dishonesty as outlined in the Academic Integrity guidelines.
3. **Unauthorized Access or Entry.** Unauthorized access to any College building; unauthorized possession, duplication or use of means of access to any college/university building (i.e., keys, cards, etc.); failing to timely report a lost College identification card or key; or unauthorized entry to or use of buildings, including trespassing, propping or unauthorized use of alarmed doors for entry into or exit from an SCC building.
4. **Collusion.** Action or inaction with another or others to violate the Student Code of Conduct.
5. **Taking of Property.** Intentional and unauthorized taking of College-owned or controlled property or the personal property of another, including goods, services and other valuables.
6. **Damage and Destruction.** Intentional, reckless and/or unauthorized damage, defacing, vandalizing or destruction of College-owned or controlled property or the personal property of another. Information Technology and Acceptable Use.
7. **Unacceptable Use of Information Technology** (See [SCC Information Technology Procedure](#) (A-19a) for additional information.

ARTICLE 2. Accountability and Respect for Others

Students should act in a manner that demonstrates accountability and respect for others. Violations include:

1. **Disruptive Behavior.** Creation of a substantial disruption of College operations including obstruction of teaching, research, administration; other College activities both on and off campus; and/or other authorized non- College activities which occur on campus. Examples of disruptive behavior that impact the teaching and learning environment, both in and out of the classroom include:
 - a. Dominating conversations, digressing excessively from subject matter and interrupting faculty and/or students.
 - b. Inappropriate or unauthorized use of electronic devices, cell phones, or pagers (such as repeatedly allowing cell phones to ring, answering cell phones or allowing pagers to beep).
 - c. Sleeping in class that caused a disturbance.
 - d. Persistent tardiness or leaving early (without permission, if timeliness is an expectation).
 - e. Repeatedly leaving and entering the classroom without appropriate rationale or authorization if such permission is required.
 - f. Eating/drinking in class when such behavior is not permitted.
 - g. Persistent speaking outside of classroom expectations.

- h. Making loud and distracting noises.
 - i. Poor personal hygiene and offensive body odor.
 - j. Use of profanity.
 - k. Intoxication.
2. **Weapons.** Possession, use, or distribution of explosives, guns, or other weapons or objects intended to be used to cause damage to property or harm to persons including the storage of any item that falls within the category of a weapon in a vehicle parked on College-owned or controlled property. Definitions and examples of prohibited items include:
- a. Firearms – Any weapons designed or readily converted to expel any projectile by the action of an explosive. Examples include: pistol, revolver, starter gun, rifle, shotgun, short rifle, and short shotgun.
 - b. Weapons – Any knife with a blade over three and one-half inches in length. Examples include: daggers, dirks, knives, and stilettos, or other dangerous instrument capable of inflicting cutting, stabbing, or tearing wounds.
 - c. Fireworks and Explosive Materials – Any composition or device designed to produce a visible or audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation. Examples include: common fireworks (firecrackers, bottle rockets, sparklers, ground/ aerial/whistling devices); ammunition; black powder; gun powder, other explosive or combustible articles.
 - d. Dangerous Instruments – Any air or gas-powered pistol or rifle, including paintball/ BB/pellet or tranquilizer guns/rifles; knuckles and brass or iron knuckles; bow and arrow, or any other projectile weapon or device; atomic, radiological, chemical, bacteriological, or biological materials.

Exceptions: These prohibitions apply to everyone (i.e., employees, students, invitees, and visitors) except:

- a. Law Enforcement Officials carrying or using weapons in conjunction with their official duties; and
 - b. Use of prohibited items is permitted if/when an approved part of the regular course of instruction or college- approved activity.
3. **Complicity.** Complicity (participation in or knowledge of) with or failure of any student to address known or obvious violations of the Student Code of Conduct or law; or complicity with or failure of any organized group to address known or obvious violations of the Student Code of Conduct or law by its members.
4. **Fire Safety.** Violation of local, state, federal or campus fire policies including, but not limited to:
- a. Intentionally or recklessly causing a fire which damages College or personal property or which causes injury.
 - b. Failure to evacuate a College-owned or controlled building during a fire alarm;
 - c. Improper use of College fire safety equipment; or
 - d. Tampering with or improperly engaging a fire alarm or fire detection/control equipment while on College property. Such action may result in a local fine in addition to College sanctions;

ARTICLE 3. Kindness and Compassion

Students should act in a manner that demonstrates kindness and compassion. Violations include:

1. **Harm to Persons.** Physical, mental or verbal abuse to others or self on College owned or controlled property or at College sponsored or supervised functions, or conduct which threatens or endangers the health and safety of such persons.
2. **Threatening Behaviors:**
 - a) **Threat.** Written or verbal conduct that causes a reasonable expectation of injury to the health or safety of any person or damage to any property.
 - b) **Intimidation.** Intimidation defined as implied threats or acts that cause a reasonable fear of harm in another.
3. **Bullying and Cyberbullying.** Bullying and cyberbullying are repeated and/or severe aggressive behaviors that intimidate or intentionally harm or control another person physically or emotionally, and are not protected by freedom of expression.
4. **Dating Violence.** Violence or abuse on the basis of sex by a person in a romantic or intimate relationship with another which includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse (See *Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation* policy (E-18) for further information, including applicable definitions as used in Title IX).
5. **Domestic Violence.** Violence or abuse on the basis of sex by a current or former spouse or intimate partner with another which includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse (See *Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation* policy (E-18) for further information, including applicable definitions as used in Title IX).
6. **Stalking.** Stalking is a course of conduct that is directed at a specific person that is unwelcome and would cause a reasonable person to fear for their safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress. (See *Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation* policy (E-18) for further information, including applicable definitions as used in Title IX).
7. **Rioting.** Causing, inciting or participating in any disturbance that presents a clear and present danger to self or others, causes physical harm to others, or damage and/or destruction of property.

ARTICLE 4. Adherence to Principles of Diversity

Southeast Community College is committed to maintaining learning and working environments free from all forms of illegal harassment and discrimination. The College will not tolerate harassment or retaliation in the workplace or educational environment whether committed by faculty, staff, or students, or by visitors to the College while they are on College-owned or controlled property or at events conducted, sponsored or sanctioned by the College. Each member of the College community is responsible for fostering civility, for being familiar with this policy, and for refraining from conduct that violates this policy. Violations include:

1. **Discrimination.** Any act or failure to act that is based upon an individual or group's actual or perceived status (race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex, age, marital status, national origin, veteran status, sexual orientation, disability, or other factors prohibited by law) that is sufficiently severe that it limits or denies the ability to participate in or benefit from the College's educational program or activities.
2. **Harassment.** Harassment is any intentional behavior directed to another individual or group that is intimidating, hostile, humiliating, or demeaning. Harassment, when directed at an individual, may include, but is not limited to: name calling; teasing or taunting; insults, slurs, or derogatory names or remarks; demeaning jokes; inappropriate gestures; graffiti or inappropriate written or electronic material; visual displays, such as cartoons, posters or electronic images; threats or intimidating or hostile conduct; physical acts of aggression, assault, or violence; or criminal offenses or any other unwelcome conduct that a reasonable person would determine is severe, pervasive, and objectively offensive that has the effect of denying equal access to create an intimidating, hostile, or abusive educational or work environment.

Harassment based on an individual's person's sex, disability, race (including skin color, hair texture and protective hairstyles), color, religion, veteran status, national or ethnic origin, age, marital status, pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition, gender identity, or other protected status is against SCC policy and against the law. SCC is committed to maintaining a learning and working environment free from discrimination and harassment based on sex. This includes but is not limited to protections against discrimination and harassment related to sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Members of the College community who believe they have experienced such conduct are encouraged to follow the designated reporting procedures. If you believe you have been subjected to sexual harassment or discrimination, including based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression, you may contact [SCC's Title IX Coordinator](#) or submit a report through the College's [online reporting system](#).

3. **Sexual Harassment.** Engaging in any of the following behaviors:
 - a. Unwelcome sexual advances or propositions
 - b. Requests or pressure for sexual favors
 - c. Comments about an individual's body, sexual activity, or sexual attractiveness
 - d. Physical contact or touching of a sexual nature, including touching intimate body parts and inappropriate patting, pinching, rubbing, or brushing against another's body
 - e. Physical sexual acts of aggression, assault, or violence, including criminal offenses (such as rape, sexual assault or battery, and sexually motivated stalking), against a person's will or where a person is incapable of giving consent due to the victim's age, intellectual disability, or use of drugs or alcohol
 - f. Requiring sexual favors or contact in exchange for aids, benefits, or services, such as grades, awards, privileges, promotions, etc.
 - g. Gender-based harassment; acts of verbal, nonverbal, written, graphic, or physical conduct based on sex or sex-stereotyping, but not involving conduct of a sexual nature.
4. **Retaliatory Discrimination or Harassment.** Any overt or covert act of reprisal, interference, restraint, penalty, discrimination, intimidation or harassment against one or more individuals for

participating in the College's discrimination complaint process or making a complaint, testifying, assisting, or participating in any manner, in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing.

5. **Items of Public Display.** SCC does not condone the public display of items (e.g., posters, t-shirt designs, paintings, etc.) which are intended and/or deemed racist, sexist, indecent, illegal, inciting, or oppressive in nature.

ARTICLE 5. Conduct Demonstrating Lack of Fulfillment to Personal and Academic Responsibilities

Students should act in a manner that fulfills their personal and academic responsibilities. Violations include:

1. **Abuse of Conduct Process.** Abuse or interference with, or failure to comply in, College processes including conduct and academic integrity hearings including, but not limited to:
 - a. Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information;
 - b. Failure to provide, destroying or concealing information during an investigation of an alleged policy violation;
 - c. Attempting to discourage an individual's proper participation in, or use of, the campus conduct system;
 - d. Harassment (verbal or physical) and/or intimidation of a member of a College *Student Code of Conduct* body prior to, during, and/or following a *Student Code of Conduct* proceeding;
 - e. Failure to comply with the sanction(s) imposed by the *Student Code of Conduct* system;
 - f. Influencing, or attempting to influence, another person to commit an abuse of the campus *Student Code of Conduct*.
2. **Drugs, Alcohol and Controlled Substances.** The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and the Drug-Free Workplace Act prohibits employees and students of the College from unlawfully manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, possessing, using, or being under the influence of a controlled substance on College premises, in College owned or controlled property, at any College sponsored or sanctioned activities (both on and off campus) where alcohol is not permitted/is prohibited, and in all places where its employees and students work and learn. This campus prohibition includes campus student housing and applies to any person on College grounds, whether they are a member of the College community or not (See [Drug, Alcohol and Controlled Substance Policy](https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/drug-alcohol-and-controlled-substance-policy.php) - <https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/drug-alcohol-and-controlled-substance-policy.php> - for further information).
3. **Smoking.** The College subscribes to the Nebraska Clean Indoor Air Act which requires indoor workplaces to be smoke-free. Use of any tobacco products such as cigarettes, electronic cigarettes or vape pens, smokeless or chewing tobacco, is not allowed in any of the SCC buildings, in any College vehicles or outdoor areas designated as non-smoking. Smoking and non-smoking areas on the campuses conform to state law and are clearly marked. Spitting of chewed tobacco products is not permitted within the College facilities.

4. **Failure to Comply.** Failure to comply with the reasonable directives of College officials or law enforcement officers during the performance of their duties and/or failure to identify oneself to these persons when requested to do so.
5. **Financial Responsibilities.** Failure to promptly meet financial responsibilities to the institution, including, but not limited to; knowingly passing a worthless check or money order in payment to the institution or to an official of the institution acting in an official capacity.
6. **Other Policies.** Violating other published College policies or rules, including all Residence Hall, athletics, and program policies.
7. **Health and Safety.** Creation of health and/or safety hazards (dangerous pranks, hanging out of or climbing from/on/in windows, balconies, roofs, etc.).

Overview of the Conduct Review Process

This overview gives a general idea of how SCC conduct proceedings work, but it should be noted that not all situations are of the same severity or complexity. Therefore, these procedures are flexible and are not exactly the same in every situation, though consistency in similar situations is a priority. The *Student Code of Conduct* process and all applicable timelines begin with notice to an administrator of a potential violation of College conduct expectations.

NOTICE. Once notice is received from any source (Complainant, Resident Assistant, 3rd party, Official with Authority, Complaints & Concerns report, etc.), SCC will proceed with a preliminary review and/or may schedule an initial meeting with the responding student(s) to explain the conduct process and gather additional information.

Please see <https://www.southeast.edu/title-ix/> for information related to the process involved in the review of Title IX/sexual harassment allegations, including allegations of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

Preliminary Review and/or Conduct Resolution Meeting

SCC conducts a preliminary review into the nature of the incident, complaint or notice, the evidence available, and the parties involved. The preliminary review may lead to:

- a) A conclusion that there is not enough evidence to pursue the investigation, because the behavior alleged, even if proven, would not violate the *Student Code of Conduct*, (e.g.: for reasons such as mistaken identity or allegations of behavior that falls outside the code);
- b) A more complete investigation when it is clear more information must be gathered; or
- c) A Conduct Resolution Meeting facilitated by the Dean of Students or designee with the responding student.

During the Conduct Resolution Meeting, the student is given the opportunity to share their insights regarding the alleged violation and outcomes include:

- a) A decision not to pursue the allegation based on a lack of or insufficient evidence. The matter should be closed and records should so indicate;

- b) An administrative resolution to an uncontested allegation (see immediately below); or
- c) A decision to proceed with additional investigation and/or referral for a formal Conduct Committee Hearing for resolution.

If a decision on the allegation is made, and the finding is that the responding student is not responsible for violating the Code; the process will end. The party bringing the complaint may request that the Dean of Students and/or, if allegation involves a Title IX violation, the Title IX Coordinator reopen the investigation and/or grant a Conduct Committee Hearing. This decision shall be at the discretion of the Dean of Students or designee and/or the Title IX Coordinator, if applicable, in consultation with each other and will only be granted for extraordinary cause.

Administrative Resolution

Finding accepted; Sanction Accepted

If the College's finding is that the responding student is in violation, and the responding student accepts this finding; the administrator conducting the Conduct Resolution Meeting will then determine the sanction(s) for the misconduct, which the responding student may accept or reject. If accepted, the process ends.

Finding accepted; Sanction Rejected

If student accepts the findings, but rejects the sanction, SCC will conduct a sanction-only Conduct Committee Hearing to recommend a sanction to the Dean of Students team. The sanction is then reviewed and finalized by the Dean of Students team. The student has five (5) business days to submit a formal request to the Dean of Students for a Conduct Committee Hearing.

Finding Rejected

If the administrator conducting the Conduct Resolution Meeting determines that it is **more likely than not** that the responding student is in violation, and the responding student rejects that finding in whole or in part, the process moves to a formal Conduct Committee Hearing. The student has five (5) business days to submit a formal request to the Dean of Students for a Conduct Committee Hearing.

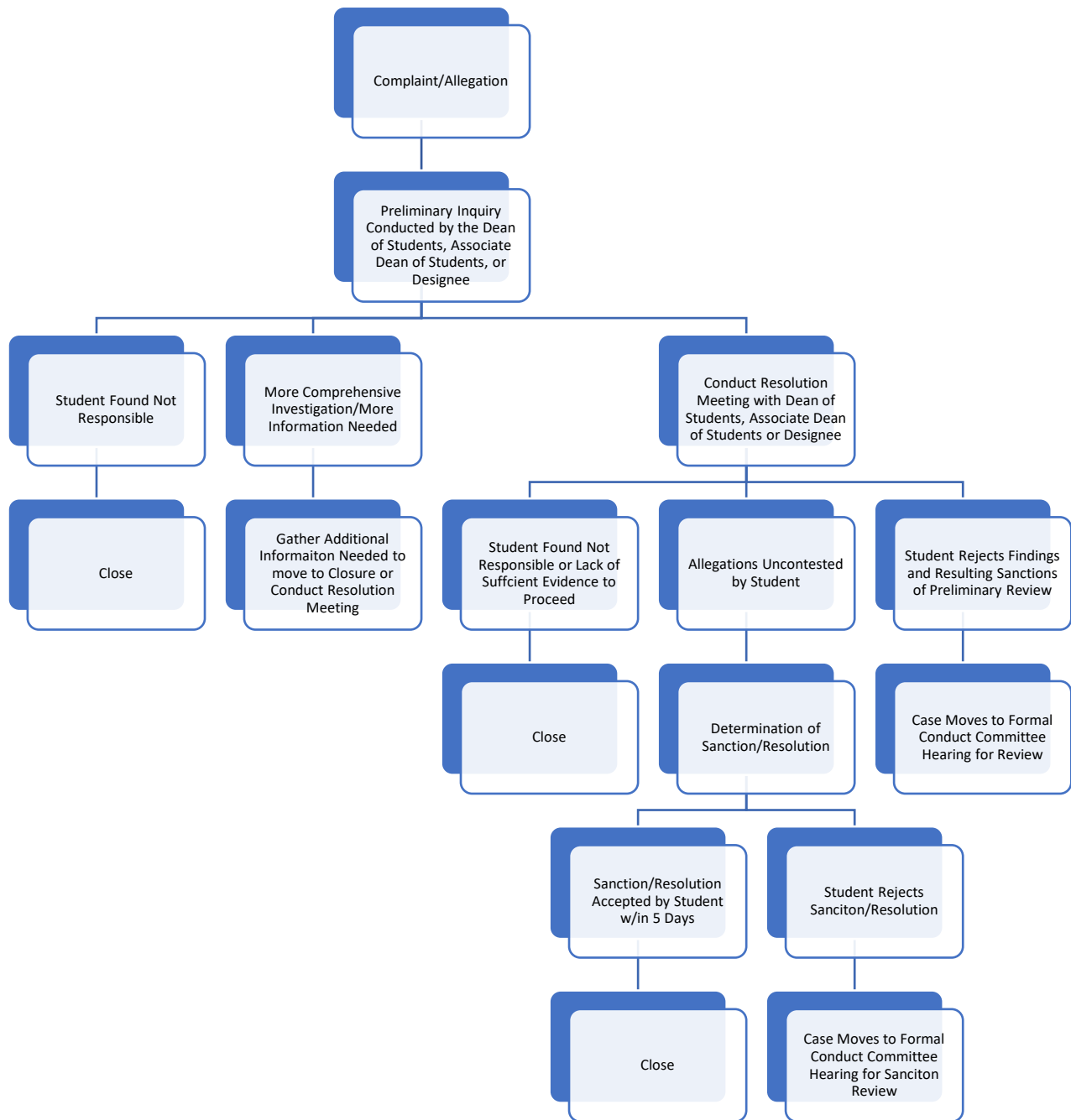
Formal Hearing

If the responding student challenges the findings determined during the preliminary review or the sanction(s) determined, additional investigation may occur and/or a hearing may be held when there is reasonable cause to believe that one or more Student Codes of Conduct have been violated. A finding will be determined and is final except in cases that involve Title IX or other discrimination allegations. In those cases, the hearing results serve as a recommendation to the Dean of Students or designee and, where appropriate, the Title IX Coordinator, who review and finalize the finding. If the finding is that the responding student is not responsible, the process ends. Applicable appeals options are described in Section 12 of the Formal Conduct Procedures.

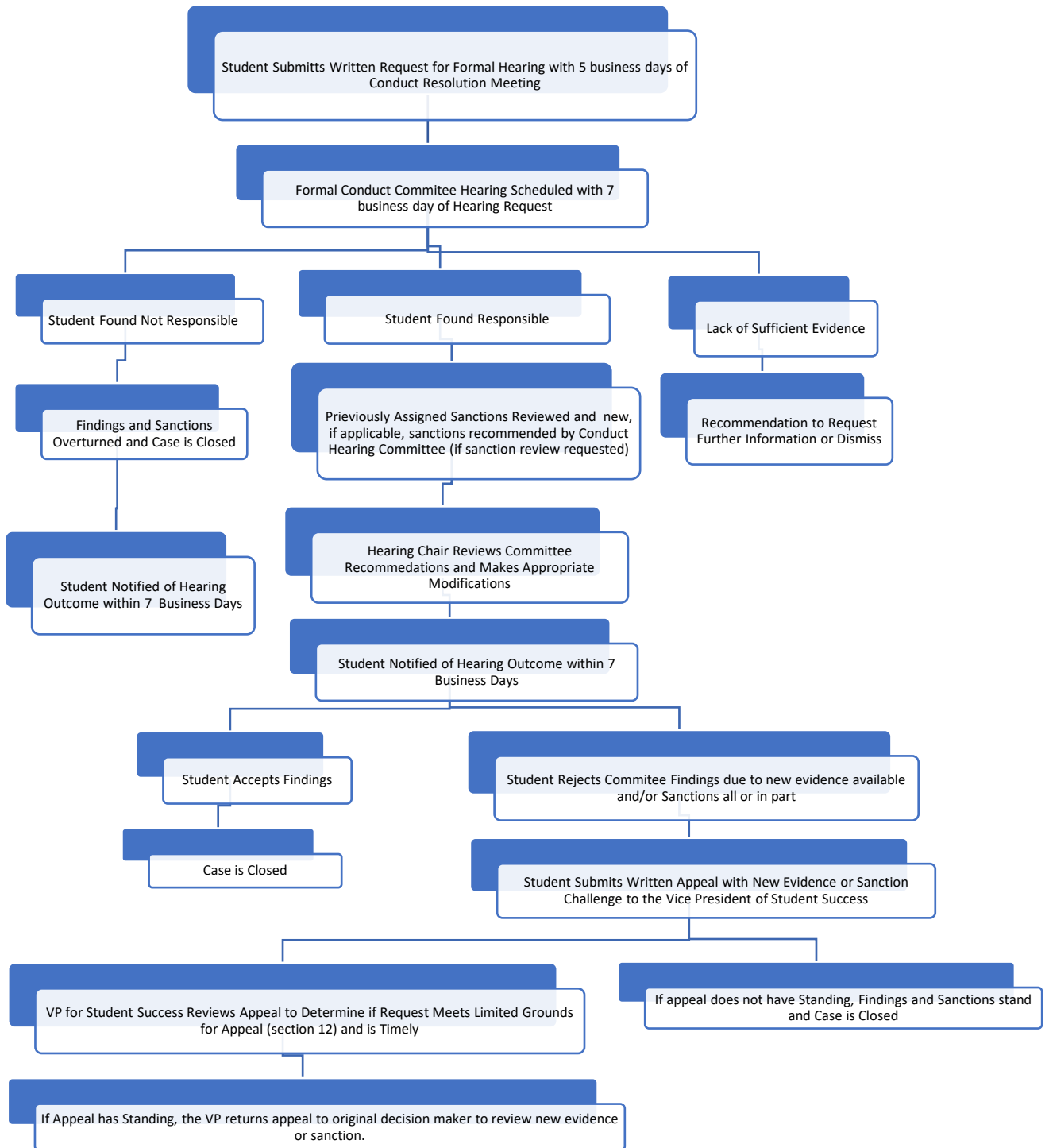
Review and Finalize Sanction(s).

If the student is found in violation(s), sanctions will be upheld or recommended by the Conduct Committee to the Dean of Students Team or designee and Title IX Coordinator, when applicable, who will review and finalize the sanctions.

Student Conduct Process Flow Chart



Formal Conduct Committee Hearing Flow Chart



Formal Conduct Procedures

1. College as Convener

Southeast Community College is the convener or organizer of every action under this code.

Administrators may act on notice of a potential violation whether a formal allegation is made or not. SCC has the right to pursue an allegation or notice of misconduct on its own behalf and to serve as convener of the subsequent campus conduct process.

The Dean of Students/Associate Dean of Students or designee on the campus that the violation occurred assumes responsibility for the investigation of the alleged violation.

For cases that move to the Formal Hearing stage, the Dean of Students/Associate Dean of Students on the campus that the violation occurred will appoint a Dean of Students/Associate Dean of Students from a different campus to serve as the Conduct Committee Chair.

In cases involving Title IX violations, the Title IX Coordinator will serve as the lead investigator and appoint co-investigators as needed.

2. Group Violations

A student group or organization and its officers and membership may be held collectively and individually responsible when violations of this code by the organization or its member(s):

- a) Take place at organization-sponsored or co-sponsored events, whether sponsorship is formal or implied;
- b) Have received the consent or encouragement of the organization or of the organization's leaders or officers; or
- c) Were known or should have been known to the membership or its officers.

Conduct Committee Hearings for student groups or organizations follow the same general student conduct procedures. In any such action, individual determinations as to responsibility will be made and sanctions may be assigned collectively and individually and will be proportionate to the involvement of each individual and the organization.

3. Investigation

The preliminary investigation usually takes between 1-7 business days to complete to determine if it is more likely than not that the responding student violated SCC policy and to determine what specific policy violations should serve as the basis for the complaint. The student is invited and encouraged to participate in the preliminary investigation. If it is determined that a more thorough investigation is required, this can take an additional 5-10 days.

If there is insufficient evidence through the investigation to determine a violation occurred, the case will be closed with no further action.

The investigator will make a finding, based on a **preponderance of the evidence** (whether a policy violation is more likely than not) and present the investigation report and findings to the responding student, who may:

- accept the findings,

- accept the findings in part and reject them in part,
- or may reject all findings;

The Investigator will also share the findings and/or update the party bringing the complaint on the status of the investigation and the outcome if appropriate. There may be instances due to anonymity or confidentiality that full disclosure to the complainant regarding the outcome would be inappropriate, however, allowable information will be shared.

4. Findings/Conduct Resolution Meeting

The following options describe how to proceed depending on whether the responding student is found responsible and whether the Responding Student accepts or rejects the findings and/or the sanctions either in whole or in part.

a) The Responding Student is Found “Not Responsible”

Where the responding student is found not responsible for the alleged violation(s), the investigation will be closed. The party bringing the complaint, if any, may request that the Title IX Coordinator and/or Dean of Students, as applicable, review the investigation file to possibly reopen the investigation or convene a hearing. An investigation may also be re-opened if additional information is discovered after the close of the investigation. The decision to re-open an investigation or convene a hearing rests solely in the discretion of the Title IX Coordinator or the Dean of Students in these cases, and is granted only on the basis of extraordinary cause.

b) The Responding Student Accepts a Finding of “Responsible” and **Accepts** the Recommended Sanctions.

Should the responding student accept the finding that they violated College policy; the Dean of Students/Associate Dean of Students on the campus that the violation occurred will determine sanctions for the violation. If the responding student accepts these recommended sanctions, the sanctions are implemented by the Dean of Students or designee and the process ends.

Students are notified of findings via conversation with Dean of Students (verbal or electronic) or written notification in cases when responding student is unresponsive to verbal communication attempts.

c) The Responding Student Accepts a Finding of “Responsible” and **Rejects** the Sanctions Recommended

If the responding student accepts the “responsible” findings, but rejects the recommended sanctions, the responding student should submit the SCC Student Code of Conduct Appeal form **within five (5) business days** to the sanctioning Dean of Students who will schedule a Sanction-Only Conduct Committee Hearing within seven (7) business days of receipt of appeal request, barring urgent circumstances that require immediate attention. Timeframes for filing an appeal or scheduling a hearing may be extended at the discretion of the Dean of Students due to extenuating circumstances.

If the sanction involves suspension from the college, removal from student housing or removal from a specific class(es) and the student rejects this sanction, students can make a written request to their campus Dean of Students to remain in classes and/or on campus during the

appeal process. Permission to remain on campus during the appeal process will only be granted if no threats to safety exist.

d) Responding Student Rejects the Findings Completely or In-part

If the responding student rejects the finding that they violated College policy completely or in-part, the responding student should submit the SCC Student Code of Conduct Appeal form **within five (5) business days** to the sanctioning Dean of Students who will schedule a Conduct Committee Hearing within seven (7) business days of receipt of appeal request, barring urgent circumstances that require immediate attention. Timeframes for filing an appeal or scheduling a hearing may be extended at the discretion of the Dean of Students due to extenuating circumstances.

- e) If a responding student fails to respond to notice from the Conduct Committee Chair or designee, the Conduct Committee Chair or designee may initiate a complaint against the student for failure to comply with the directives of a College official and give notice of this offense. Unless the student responds to this notice within five (5) business days by answering the original notice, a Conduct Resolution Meeting may be scheduled and held on the student's behalf. As a result, the student may be administratively withdrawn from attending classes or a disciplinary hold may be placed on their College account, deeming them ineligible to register for courses or College housing until such time as the student responds to the initial complaint.

5. Special Hearing Provisions for Sexual Harassment, Discrimination and Other Complaints of a Sensitive Nature

All reports of sexual harassment, including sexual assault, are referred to the College's Title IX Coordinator. You can find more information related to the policies and processes involved with reports of sexual harassment, including sexual misconduct, at <https://www.southeast.edu/title-ix/>.

6. Interim Administrative Action

- a) Under the *Student Code of Conduct*, the Dean of Students or designee may impose interim restrictions, sanctions and/or separate a student from the college community. Such action may include:
- i. Emergency suspension
 - ii. Access restrictions to all or parts of campus or from campus activities/events
 - iii. Removal from on-campus housing
 - iv. Changes to academic schedules
 - v. Changes to housing assignment.
- b) Interim Administrative Action may be imposed prior to the final resolution of the Student Code of Conduct process on alleged violation(s) when any of the following conditions exist:

- i. A student represents a threat of serious harm to others, or a major disruption of or interference with the normal operation of the College
 - ii. A student is facing allegations of serious criminal activity
 - iii. In order to preserve the integrity of an investigation
 - iv. In order to preserve College property and/or to prevent disruption of, or interference with, the normal operations of the College.
- c) Interim actions can include separation from the institution and/or campus housing or restrictions on participation in the campus community for generally no more than ten (10) business days pending the scheduling of a Conduct Committee Hearing on alleged violation(s) of the *Student Code of Conduct*.
- d) A student who receives an Interim Administrative Action may make a written request to their campus Dean of Students to remove any or all of the interim actions during the appeal process. Requests should provide evidence and rationale as to why the allegations do not meet the grounds listed in 6.b.
 - i. Permission to remain on campus during the appeal process will only be granted if no threats to safety exist. The Campus Dean of Students will review the request with the Deans of Students team to determine if any or all of the interim actions will be lifted.
- e) Regardless of the outcome of this request, the College may still proceed with the scheduling of a Conduct Committee Hearing.
- f) During an interim suspension, a student may be denied access to College housing and/or College campus/facilities/events. As determined appropriate by the Dean of Students or designee, this restriction may include classes and/or all other College activities or privileges for which the student might otherwise be eligible. At the discretion of the Dean of Students or designee and with the approval of, and in collaboration with, the appropriate Instructional Dean(s), alternative coursework options may be pursued to ensure as minimal an impact as possible on the responding student.

7. Hearing Options & Preparation

Except in a complaint involving failure to comply with the meeting request from the Dean of Students or designee, no student may be found to have violated the *Student Code of Conduct* solely because of the student's failure to appear for a hearing. In all such instances, Conduct Committee Hearings will proceed as scheduled and the information in support of the complaint will be presented to and considered by Conduct Committee members and the Conduct Committee Chair.

Students who deny a violation for which a Conduct Committee Hearing will be held will be given a minimum of seven (7) business days to prepare unless all parties wish to proceed more quickly. Preparation for a formal hearing is summarized in the following guidelines:

- a) Notice of the time, date and location of the hearing will be in writing and may be delivered by one or more of the following methods: in person by the Conduct Committee Chair; mailed to the local or permanent address of the student as indicated in official College records; or emailed to the student's College-issued email account. Once mailed, emailed, and/or received in-person, such notice will be considered delivered.
 - 1. If a student cannot attend the hearing, it is that student's responsibility to notify the Conduct Committee Chair no less than three (3) business days prior to the scheduled

hearing to arrange for another date, time, and location. Except in cases of grave or unforeseen circumstances, if the responding student fails to give the requisite minimum three (3) business day notice, or if the responding student fails to appear; the hearing will proceed as scheduled. If the party bringing the complaint fails to appear, the complaint may be dropped unless the College chooses to pursue the allegation on its own behalf, as determined by the Dean of Students.

- b) The Conduct Committee Chair will select members of the Conduct Committee Hearing.
 - 1. All parties involved will be given a list of the names of all the Conduct Committee members in advance. Should any party object to any Conduct Committee member, that party must raise all objections, in writing, to the Conduct Committee Chair immediately.
 - 2. Conduct Committee Hearing members will only be replaced if the Conduct Committee Chair concludes that their bias prevents an impartial hearing of the complaint.
 - 3. Any Conduct Committee member who feels they cannot make an objective decision must withdraw from the proceedings.
- c) If there is a complainant of the conduct in question, the complainant may serve as the party bringing the complaint or may elect to have SCC administration serve as the party bringing the complaint forward. Where there is no complainant, SCC administration will serve as the party bringing the complaint forward.
- d) The Conduct Committee Chair will ensure that the hearing information and any other available written documentation is shared with the parties at least two (2) days before any scheduled hearing.

8. Conduct Hearing Procedures

Conduct Committee Hearings will be conducted according to the following guidelines:

- a) Hearings will be closed to the public.
- b) Admission to the hearing of persons other than the parties involved will be at the discretion of the Conduct Committee Chair.
- c) In hearings involving more than one responding student, the standard procedure will be to hear the complaints jointly; however, the Conduct Committee Chair may permit the hearing relevant to each responding student to be conducted separately. In joint hearings, separate determinations of responsibility will be made for each responding student.
- d) The parties have the right to an advisor/advocate of their own choosing, including attorneys. Typically, advisors are members of the campus community, but the parties may select whomever they wish to serve as their advisor. The advisor **may not** make a presentation or represent the party bringing the complaint or responding student during the hearing. They may confer quietly with their advisee, exchange notes, clarify procedural questions with the chair and suggest questions to their advisee.
- e) The Conduct Committee and the Conduct Committee Chair will have the privilege of questioning all present witnesses and questioning all present parties.
 - 1. Unduly repetitive witnesses can be limited at the discretion of the Conduct Committee Chair.
 - 2. The Conduct Committee Chair may limit the number of character witnesses presented or may accept written statements of character instead.

3. The Conduct Committee Chair may grant the opportunity for the Respondent or Complainant to ask clarifying questions but not cross-examine the other parties.
 - f) Pertinent records, exhibits, and written statements may be accepted as information for consideration by the Committee and the Conduct Committee Chair.
 - g) Formal rules of evidence are not observed.
 - h) All procedural questions are subject to the final decision of the Conduct Committee Chair.
1. After a Conduct Committee hearing, the Conduct Committee will deliberate and determine, by majority vote, whether it is **more likely than not** that the responding student has violated the *Student Code of Conduct*. The Conduct Committee Chair will be present and available as a resource during all deliberations. Once a finding is determined, if the finding is that of a policy violation, the Conduct Committee will determine an appropriate sanction(s).
 2. The parties have the right to be present at the hearing; however, they do not have the right to be present during deliberations
 3. The Conduct Committee Chair will prepare a written deliberation report detailing the recommended finding, how each member voted, the information cited by the Conduct Committee Hearing in support of its recommendation, and any information the Conduct Committee Hearing excluded from its consideration and why, and any recommended sanctions.
 4. The Conduct Committee Chair will consider the recommendations of the Conduct Committee Hearing, may make appropriate modifications to the Conduct Committee Hearing's report and will then render a decision and inform the responding student and party bringing the complaint (if deemed necessary by the Conduct Committee Hearing and Conduct Committee Chair) of the final determination within seven (7) business days of the hearing.
 - i. Notification will be made in writing and may be delivered by one or more of the following methods: in person by the Conduct Committee Chair; mailed to the local or permanent address of the student as indicated in official College records; or emailed to the student's College-issued email account. Once mailed, emailed and/or received in-person, such notice will be considered delivered.
 - ii. **In cases of sexual harassment and other crimes of violence, notice of the outcome will be delivered to all parties simultaneously, meaning without substantial delay between the notifications to each.** See "*Notification of Outcomes*" section for additional information.
 5. There will be a single verbatim record, such as an audio recording, for all Conduct Committee hearings. Deliberations will not be recorded. The record will be the property of the College and maintained according to the College's record retention policy.

9. Parental Notification

The College reserves the right to notify the parents/guardians of dependent students regarding any conduct situation, particularly alcohol and other drug violations. SCC may also notify parents/guardians of non-dependent students who are under the age of 21 of alcohol and/or

other drug violations. Parental notification may also be utilized discretionarily by administrators when permitted by FERPA or consent of the student.

10. Notification of Outcomes

The outcome of a campus hearing is part of the education record of the responding student and is protected from release under the Federal Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), except under certain conditions.

- a) **As allowed by FERPA, when a student is accused of a policy violation that would constitute a “crime of violence” or forcible or nonforcible sex offense, SCC will inform the alleged victim/party bringing the complaint in writing of the final results of a hearing regardless of whether the College concludes that a violation was committed.** Such release of information may only include the alleged student’s/responding student’s name, the violation committed, and the sanctions assigned (if applicable).
- b) In cases where SCC determines through the student conduct process that a student violated a policy that would constitute a “crime of violence” or nonforcible sex offense, the College may also release the above information publicly and/or to any third party. FERPA defines [“crimes of violence”](#) to include:
 - 1. Arson
 - 2. Assault offenses (includes intimidation and stalking)
 - 3. Burglary
 - 4. Criminal Homicide—manslaughter by negligence
 - 5. Criminal Homicide—murder and nonnegligent manslaughter
 - 6. Destruction/damage/vandalism of property
 - 7. Kidnapping/abduction
 - 8. Robbery
 - 9. Forcible Sex Offenses
 - 10. Nonforcible Sex Offenses (includes statutory rape and incest)
 - 11. Incest

11. Failure to Complete Conduct Sanctions

All students, as members of the SCC community, are expected to complete assigned conduct sanctions within the timeframe specified by the Dean of Students, Associate Dean of Students or designee. Failure to follow through on conduct sanctions by the date specified, whether by refusal, neglect or any other reason, may result in a registration hold, additional sanctions and/or suspension or expulsion from SCC.

12. Appeal Procedures

When a party wishes to present for consideration new evidence to challenge the decision of the Conduct Committee Hearing, an appeal request may be filed in writing to the Dean of Students or designee within five (5) business days of the notice of the outcome to the hearing, barring urgent circumstances.

All parties should be informed of the status of requests for appeal, the status of the appeal consideration, and the results of the appeal decision when appropriate by procedure or law.

The Dean of Students or designee will refer the request(s) to the Vice President of Student Success who will conduct an initial review to determine if the appeal request meets the limited grounds (see “Grounds for Appeal Requests” below) and is timely.

- If the appeal is not timely or substantively eligible, the original finding and sanction will stand and the decision is final.
- If the appeal has standing, the Vice President of Student Success returns the appeal to the original decision-maker(s) within five (5) business days. Where the original decisionmaker may be unduly biased by a procedural or substantive error, a new Conduct Committee will be constituted to reconsider the matter. The Vice President of Student Success will have final authority to approve all those serving on the panel.

Full rehearing by the Conduct Committee Hearing is not permitted.

In review, the original finding and sanction are presumed to have been decided reasonably and appropriately, thus the burden is on the appealing party(ies) to show clear error. **The original decision-maker or new Conduct Committee will limit its review to the new evidence or sanction challenges presented.**

All decisions of the original decision-maker or new Conduct Committee are to be made within seven (7) business days of submission to the Committee and are final, as are any decisions made by the original hearing body, or Dean of Students as the result of reconsideration consistent with instructions from the Vice President of Student Success.

The presumptive stance of SCC is that all decisions made and sanctions imposed by the original decision-maker are to be implemented during the appeal process. At the discretion of the Dean of Students, implementation of sanctions may be paused pending review only in extenuating circumstances and when no safety concerns are present.

Grounds for Appeal Requests

Appeals requests are limited to the following grounds:

- a) A procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the hearing (e.g., substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures, etc.).
- b) New evidence, unavailable during the original hearing or investigation, that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction needs to be considered. A summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included;
 1. Failure to provide information during or participate in an investigation or a hearing, even resulting from concern over pending criminal or civil proceedings, does not make evidence “unavailable” at the time of the hearing.
 2. The Dean of Students or designee is expected to consult with the chair of the original panel to inquire as to whether the new evidence would, in the opinion of the Chair, have substantially impacted the original finding or sanction.
- c) The sanctions imposed are substantially outside the parameters or guidelines set by the College for this type of offense or the cumulative conduct record of the responding student.

Conduct Sanctions/Accountability Actions

When students are found responsible for violating one or more Standards of the SCC Student Code of Conduct, appropriate sanctions or accountability actions will be assigned. These are intended to promote personal growth, encourage development of responsible problem-solving and decision making and increase accountability to self and others.

The following factors may be considered to guide the sanctioning process:

- the nature and severity of the incident;
- the developmental needs of the Respondent;
- any prior conduct history of the Respondent;
- the need to remedy the effects of the incident on others;
- the level of accountability and cooperation taken by the Respondent;
- the level of risk and/or harm of the Respondent to the College community;
- any other aggravating, mitigating or relevant factors.

One or more of following sanctions may be imposed upon any student for any single violation of the SCC *Student Code of Conduct*:

Verbal Warning: An official verbal notice that the student has violated College policies and/or rules and that more severe conduct action will result should the student be involved in other violations while the student is enrolled at the College. A written letter summarizing the verbal meeting will be provided to the student.

Written Disciplinary Warning: An official written notice that the student has violated College policies and/or rules and that more severe conduct action will result should the student be involved in other violations while the student is enrolled at the College.

Disciplinary Probation: The student is put on official notice that, should further violations of College policies occur during a specified probationary period, the student may face additional sanctions. Regular probationary meetings may also be imposed.

Disciplinary Suspension: Separation from the College for a specified period of time not to exceed one year, after which the student is eligible to request return. Eligibility may be contingent upon satisfaction of specific conditions noted at the time of suspension. The student is required to vacate the campus within 24 hours of notification of the action, though this deadline may be extended upon application to, and at the discretion of, the Dean of Students. During the suspension period, the student is banned from college-owned or controlled property, functions, events, and activities without prior written approval from the Dean of Students. This sanction may be enforced with a trespass action, as necessary. Additional conduct violations that occur after a student's return from suspension may result in suspension terms of longer than one (1) year.

Disciplinary Expulsion: Permanent separation from the College. The student is banned from college owned or controlled property and the student's presence at any College-sponsored activity or event is prohibited. This action may be enforced with a trespass action, as necessary. Readmission to the College will not be granted.

Restitution: Compensation for damage caused to the College or any person's property. This could also include situations such as failure to return a reserved space to proper condition – labor costs and expenses. This is not a fine but, rather, a repayment for labor costs and/or the value of property destroyed, damaged, consumed, or stolen.

Fines: Fines for violations of the College and/or Housing Handbook and Contract may be imposed.

College Service or Behavioral Requirements: Student will be required to complete a specific supervised College service or activity including, but not limited to, community service, seeking academic counseling or substance abuse screening, writing a letter of apology, etc.

Loss of Privileges: The student will be denied specified privileges for a designated period.

Confiscation of Prohibited Property: Items whose presence is in violation of College policy will be confiscated and will become the property of the College. Prohibited items may be returned to the owner at the discretion of the Campus Administration or Campus Safety and Security.

Educational Program: Requirement to attend, present and/or participate in a program related to the violation. It may also be a requirement to sponsor or assist with a program for others on campus to aid them in learning about a specific topic or issue related to the violation for which the student or organization was found responsible. Audience may be restricted.

Housing Probation: Official notice that, should further violations of Residence Life or College policies occur during a specified probationary period, the student may immediately be removed from College housing. Regular probationary meetings may also be held.

College Housing Reassignment: Reassignment to another College housing facility. Residential Life personnel will decide on the reassignment details.

College Housing Suspension: Removal from College housing for a specified period after which the student can request return. Conditions for re-admission to College housing may be specified. Under this sanction, a student is required to vacate College housing within 24 hours of notification of the action, though this deadline may be extended upon application to, and at the discretion of, the Dean of Students. This sanction may be enforced with a trespass action if deemed necessary.

Prior to reapplication for College housing, the student must gain permission from the Dean of Students. This sanction may include restrictions on visitation to specified buildings or all College housing during the suspension.

College Housing Expulsion: The student's privilege to live in, or visit, any College housing structure is revoked indefinitely. This sanction may be enforced with a trespass action if deemed necessary.

Eligibility Restriction: The student is deemed "not in good standing" with the College for a specified period. Specific limitations or exceptions may be granted by the Dean of Students and terms of this conduct sanction may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Ineligibility to hold any office in any student organization recognized by the College or hold an elected or appointed office at the College; or
- b) Ineligibility to represent the College to anyone outside the College community in any way including participating in the study abroad program, attending conferences, or representing the

College at an official function, event or intercollegiate competition as a player, manager, or student coach, etc.

- c) Deactivation, de-recognition, loss of all privileges (including status as a College registered group/organization), for a specified period for group/organization violations.

Other Sanctions: Additional or alternate sanctions may be created and designed as deemed appropriate to the offense with the approval of the Dean of Students or designee.

Disciplinary Records

All conduct records are maintained by the Dean of Students seven (7) years from the time of their creation except those that result in separation (suspension or expulsion, including from housing) and those that fall under Title IX, which are maintained indefinitely.

Implementation

This *Student Code of Conduct* was implemented on July 1, 2017 and revised on XX/XX/XXXX.

Links to College Policies 2023-24

Academic Integrity

<https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/student-code-of-conduct/academic-integrity.php>

Copyright Infringement & Responsible Computing - [SCC Information Technology Procedure](#)

Drug, Alcohol and Controlled Substance Policy

<https://www.southeast.edu/current-students/drug-alcohol-and-controlled-substance-policy.php>

FERPA - <https://www.southeast.edu/footer/privacy-statement.php>

Firearms, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments <https://catalog.southeast.edu/>

ADA Grievance Procedures for Students - <https://www.southeast.edu/about/other-scc-departments/access-equity-diversity-title-ix/guidelines-and-procedures/ada-grievance-process..php>

Title IX, Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment, and Anti-retaliation Policy (E-18) –

<https://www.southeast.edu/about/other-scc-departments/access-equity-diversity-title-ix/guidelines-and-procedures/index.php>

Title IX, Anti-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment, and Anti-Retaliation Policy and Reporting, Investigation, and Hearing Manual for All Faculty, Students, Employees and Third Parties -

<https://www.southeast.edu/about/other-scc-departments/access-equity-diversity-title-ix/title-ix-resources.php>

Smoke-free Buildings/Vehicles Policy <https://catalog.southeast.edu/>

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