

Red Rocks Community College Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Biennial Drug Review

As a recipient of Federal Title IV funds, Red Rocks Community College (RRCC) is required to collect publish and disseminate certain information to students, prospective students and employees. The College will also provide a copy of this information including a full report of the institution's graduation rate and the Annual Security Report if requested.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Reasonable accommodations for student activities and events will be provided upon request for persons with disabilities. Persons with disabilities who require an accommodation to participate in a student activity should Contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at 303-914-6733 or ods@rrcc.edu at least one week prior to the event . Requests for academic accommodations can be made by contacting the Disability Services Office at 303.914.6733.

ACCREDITATION

Red Rocks Community College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The Commission can be reached at 312.263.0456 or by accessing the Web site at <u>www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org</u>. The College operates under the jurisdiction of the Community Colleges of Colorado. RRCC students regularly transfer credits to state colleges and universities within Colorado. Transfer information is available in the Advising, Transfer and Career Services Center, Room 1300.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Law

Red Rocks Community College is a state system community College governed by the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education. Board Policy requires the College to comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Amendments of 1989 (PL 101 226 in Federal law). A copy of this law is on file in the Human Resources Office for your reference. The Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program includes:

Code of Conduct

Students shall not engage in the unauthorized or unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, use/abuse of alcohol and/or illicit drugs on College property or as a part of any College activity. This includes the use,

distribution or possession of "medical marijuana" which remains a violation of Federal law. See Student Code of Conduct.

Employees are required to adhere to the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education Colorado Community College System Code of Ethics (State Board Policy 3-70).

Legal Sanctions

There are legal sanctions for violations of the Code of Conduct. Any student convicted of the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, use or abuse of illicit drugs or alcohol is subject to criminal penalties under local, state or federal law. These penalties range in severity from a fine of \$100 to \$8,000,000 and/or imprisonment. The exact penalty assessed depends upon the nature and severity of the individual offense.

College Penalties

The College will impose penalties against students who violate the above Code of Conduct. Violators will be subject to disciplinary action under student disciplinary policies. The sanctions include, but are not limited to, probation, suspension or expulsion from the College or probation, suspension or termination of employment; and referral to authorities for prosecution, as appropriate.

Health Risks

Many health risks are associated with drug and alcohol abuse. Risks include: malnutrition, brain damage, heart disease, pancreatitis, cirrhosis of the liver, mental illness, death, low birth-weight babies, and babies with drug addictions. Personal relationships, family dynamics, ability to work and study are also at risk.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program information and referral services are available through the Behavioral Health Counseling Office.

Illegal Substances

A controlled substances schedule is on file in the Student Life Office and in the Campus Police Department. Illegally possessing, using, distributing or manufacturing any narcotic, dangerous drug or controlled substance as classified by federal, state, and local laws or appearing on campus while under the influence of any illegally-obtained narcotic, dangerous or controlled substance is a crime and violation of the Student Code of Conduct. Under federal law, marijuana including "medical marijuana" is a Schedule I substance. Its possession and/or use on any College property is illegal and subject to prosecution and College sanctions. All students must comply with the RRCC Drug Free Schools and Communities Amendment of 1989 (PL101-226).

Smoking is prohibited in unauthorized areas.

Referral Resources

Referral for counseling, treatment, rehabilitation and re-entry programs is available through the community:

Mental Health Center, Jefferson County 5265 Vance Arvada, CO 303.425.0300 (Jefferson County Residents Only) Professional Psychology Center at University of Denver 303.871.3626 Alcoholics Anonymous (24 hr.) Denver Area Central Office 2785 N. Speer Blvd. Suite 116 Denver CO 80211 303.322.4440 Email: denveraa@daccaa.org, http://www.daccaa.org Narcotics Anonymous, Main Office PO Box 9999

Van Nuys, California 91409 USA 818. 773.9999, Fax: 818.700.0700

Focus on Recovery Helpline: 1-800.234.0420

Consult your local yellow pages for a listing of all private and community-based programs. Check listings under "Alcoholism Treatment" and "Drug Abuse Information and Treatment." For further information contact the Behavioral Health Counseling Office at 303-914-6316. This information is provided in compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Amendments of 1989 (PL 101-226).

NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The College prohibits and will not tolerate discrimination or harassment that violates federal, state law, or Board Policy 3-120 or Board Policy 4-120. The College does not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion or sexual orientation. The College complies with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Act of 1991, the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Pregnancy Discrimination Act of 1978, Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974; Executive Order 11246, and sections 24-34-301, C.R.S. *et seq.*.

For information regarding civil rights or grievance procedures, contact:

Title IX Compliance/Equal Opportunity Officer: Bill Dial, PhD Executive Director of Human Resources Title IX Coordinator 13300 W. 6th Avenue Phone: 303.914.6298 Email: <u>bill.dial@rrcc.edu</u>

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION is available for students and prospective students on the Web site and in the Financial Aid Office, Room 1200.

GRIEVANCE AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

If you are taking any Red Rocks Community College courses, and you have a complaint about your experience with Red Rocks Community College, you have two options. Before exercising either option 2 or 3 of the options below, please note that most (if not all) external complaint processes require that the student exhaust all avenues of complaint internal to the institution before an outside agency will consider a grievance.

- 1. You can follow Red Rocks Community College's process for student complaints, which can be accessed at (<u>http://www.rrcc.edu/handbook/</u>)
- 2. You may contact the Higher Learning Commission (<u>www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org</u>) which is Red Rocks Community College's accrediting agency.
- 3. If you are residing outside of Colorado while attending Red Rocks Community College, in many cases you can file a complaint in the state where you are residing. As required by federal regulations.

JEANNE CLERY DISCLOSURE OF CAMPUS SECURITY POLICY AND CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS ACT

As part of Red Rocks Community's College's commitment to safety and security on campus and compliance with the Clery Act, crime statistics are published annually in the Clery Act Annual Security Report.

- The Clery Act Disclosure is accessible on the RRCC website: <u>http://www/rrcc/edu/police/</u>
 - 1. Campus crime and security policy disclosures are available on the website.
 - 2. Statistical report and publications are available on the website.
 - 3. Substantive policy, procedural & victims' rights provisions are described on the website.
 - 4. Open police logs are available at the Campus Police Department, Room 1451.
 - The Campus Police Department will immediately notify the campus community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of students or staff.
 - 6. Report crimes, violations, accidents, suspicious persons and incidents to the Campus Police Department at extension 6394.
 - 7. Sex offender information is available at Colorado's Convicted Sex Offender Website: <u>http://sor.state.co.us</u>.

8. Firearms of any kind are prohibited on campus, with the exception of those carried by Certified Peace Officers, guards while working, persons who have been issued a valid permit to carry a concealed handgun in accordance with Colorado's Concealed Carry Act, or with prior approval from the Chief of the Red Rocks Community College Police Department.

Hard copies are also available through the Campus Police Department, Room 1451.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND THE SECURITY OF YOUR STUDENT RECORDS (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 restricts the release of student information to the public without the consent of the student, except for directory information. Directory information includes name, number of credits currently taking or completed, dates of enrollment, major, degrees earned and honors earned. The Solomon Amendment requires institutions receiving federal funds to provide additional directory information that includes address and phone numbers of enrolled students to the US Military. If a student does not wish the College to release the directory information, a Confidential Hold form must be completed and returned to Information Central. A student who has requested restricted release of information cannot perform any personal business with RRCC over the phone. These students must conduct all of their business in person. This includes, but is not limited to, using telephone registration and grading, calls from the student's family, child's school or daycare, etc. For emergency purposes, contact the Registrar directly at 303.914.6303 for special accommodations. A complete copy of the RRCC Student Records Procedures (AP4-40) may be obtained from the Office of Admissions & Records.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY INFORMATION RRCC website: http://www/rrcc/edu/police/

Information concerning persons who are required by Colorado law to register as sex offenders may be obtained from the Littleton Police Department, Records Division, 2255 West Berry Avenue, Littleton, CO 80165, 303.795.3880, or the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Department, Records Division, 13101 E. Bronco Pkwy. Blvd., Centennial, CO 80112, 303.795.4780. The Colorado Convicted Sex Offender Web site is http://sor.state.co.us.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

RRCC follows State, CCC System and RRCC policies and procedures regarding sexual misconduct and discrimination. These behaviors are not tolerated. Information is outlined in BP 4-120, SP 4-120a and RRPR/HROG 3-120 in the RRCC Student Handbook.

Board policy requires equal employment opportunity as well as affirmative action and references federal laws protecting the rights of individuals regardless of their sex.

Sexual misconduct includes but is not limited to:

- Sexual Harassment
- Non-Consensual Sexual Contact (or attempts to commit same)
- Non-Consensual Sexual Intercourse (or attempts to commit same)
- Sexual Exploitation

https://www.cccs.edu/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/BP4-120.pdf

https://www.cccs.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/SP-4-120a.pdf

SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is prohibited in all College buildings as directed by the Governor's Executive Order D0036 90. Smoking is also prohibited within 25 feet of doorways and buildings, and is therefore prohibited at all doorway entrances. Specified outdoor smoking areas have been designated on the Lakewood Campus. There are no specific smoking areas at the Arvada Campus, however, as stated above, smoking is allowed only in locations that are at least 25 feet from doorways and buildings.

STUDENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW

In accordance with Title I of Public Law 101-542, information about <u>graduation rates</u> is available on the RRCC Web site or from the Office of Institutional Research; additional graduation data is also available at the Colorado Department of <u>Higher Education Web site</u>.

U.S. COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

<u>Red Rocks Community College Policy:</u> On the basis of current information from the American College Health Association, the National Centers for Disease Control and the Colorado Department of Health, there are numerous reportable communicable diseases (i.e., measles, Rubella, Varicella, Hepatitis, Pertussis, Diphtheria) which can infect individuals through various methods of contact and can represent a public health threat to the campus community. Accordingly, exclusion from campus academic, social or cultural activities of those individuals who can infect other individuals may be appropriate.

VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

RRCC fully supports and advocates that students and staff register to vote. Voter registration forms are available in the Student Life Office, Room 1550, or on the Colorado Secretary of State website at http://www.elections.colorado.gov.

President's Review and Approval

The Red Rocks Community College 2014 Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Biennial Review has been reviewed and approved for release and posting to the RRCC website.

C. Michile Haney

October 16, 2014

Date

Michele Haney, Ph. D. President