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This Student Handbook (Handbook) contains pertinent information affecting students, current through the date of its issuance. To the extent that any provision of this Handbook is inconsistent with State or Federal law, State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education Policies (BPs) or Colorado Community College System President's Procedures (SP's), the law, BPs and SPs shall supersede and control. BPs and SPs are subject to change throughout the year and are effective immediately upon adoption by the Board or System President, respectively. Students are expected to be familiar with and adhere to the BPs, SPs as well as College directives, including but not limited to the contents of this Handbook. To access BPs and SPs.

Nothing in this Handbook is intended to create (nor shall be construed as creating) an expressed or implied contract. The College reserves the right to modify, change, delete, or add to, as it deems appropriate, the policies, and other general information in this Handbook.
Welcome to Pueblo Community College

The president, faculty, and staff of Pueblo Community College (PCC) are committed to making your educational experience a positive successful accomplishment in attaining your academic goals and aspirations. The College is committed to assisting you with your academic needs and to address your concerns. Whether you are a new PCC student or returning student, we are excited you have chosen PCC for your next step in your educational journey.

This Student Handbook serves as a guide for student-related issues, which include rights and responsibilities, discipline, and health issues. PCC strives to ensure a safe college experience at all college campuses. The 2019 – 2020 Pueblo Community College Student Handbook is an official PCC publication.

Pueblo Community College is dedicated to working with its students to attain their academic goals in a safe and supportive college environment.

All students are expected to know their rights and responsibilities and to work in collaboration for a positive learning environment. PCC encourages you to get involved on campus and contribute your talents and to help ensure a diverse and dynamic environment. You, our PCC students, are important to us, and your faculty and staff are here to help ensure your success. Use your resources. Ask questions. Get involved. You will succeed!

Wishing you the best,

Dr. Heather Speed, Ed.D.
Chief Student Services Officer
Student Center, Room 261
719.549.3080

PUEBLO COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE
- To always recognize and greet you with a smile
- To listen to you
- To respond to your needs
- To respect and value you
- To celebrate your accomplishments and success

PUEBLO COMMUNITY COLLEGE STANDARDS

Mission of the College
Pueblo Community College transforms lives, enriches communities, and strengthens the regional economy by empowering individual achievement through a continuum of education.

Our Vision
Pueblo Community College is the first choice for success.

Core Values
- **Achievement:** We embrace a diverse student body attending our institution of higher education and support all individuals in attaining high-quality postsecondary credentials across the College’s academic disciplines. Through our retention efforts across the College, we work together to keep students engaged and focused on completing their coursework to become highly-skilled professionals and gain the most from their educational pursuits to achieve success in the workforce by meeting the demands of a global economy.
- **Excellence:** We embrace continuous quality improvement and innovation in all areas of the institution. We deliver high-quality programs and services that respond to the needs of the communities we serve and prepare students for success in an ever-changing, diverse, and global workplace.
• **Integrity:** We advance our mission ethically and responsibly. We value fair and equitable treatment, participatory decision-making, and transparent resource management. We have an organizational culture that inspires high performance and accountability for behaviors, actions, and results in a collaborative spirit.

• **Respect:** We provide a safe, caring, and supportive environment conducive to the success and well-being of students, faculty, and staff. We welcome diversity of backgrounds and opinions, recognizes individual talents, encourage personal and professional growth, celebrate accomplishments, and honor institutional traditions.

• **Scholarship:** We value and promote student, faculty, and staff scholarship. We strive to create a student-centered learning environment that cultivates critical and creative thinking, problem solving, intellectual inquiry, and global awareness. Through continuing development, we expect faculty and staff to be productive workers, responsible decision-makers, and servant leaders. We believe that scholarship should occur in all organizational levels through knowledge sharing and effective communication.

• **Teamwork:** We believe inclusive cooperative relationships are critical to the vitality and long term success of its institution. We strategically pursue mutually beneficial partnerships to help students learn and advance other institutional priorities. We encourage active collaboration within and between departments and operational areas. We believe in the importance of nurturing student-to-student and student-to-faculty/staff interactions as a means of promoting student success.

**Our Purposes**

- Prepare students for entry into the workforce, career advancement, or career change through certificate and associate degree programs.
- Prepare students for transfer to baccalaureate institutions by providing transfer degrees, courses, and services.
- Provide opportunities to develop and continually update job skills to meet the demands of a technological and global economy.
- Provide programs and experiences that foster individual and professional development.
- Prepare students for entry-level college courses.
- Provide comprehensive services to support the educational experience of a diverse student population.
- Deliver instruction through traditional, alternative, and distance learning methods.
- Provide a quality learning environment supported by teaching excellence and freedom of inquiry.
- Support the economic development of the community through business initiatives and partnerships.
- Contribute to the community by participating in civic and professional activities.
CAMPUS LOCATIONS:

Fremont Campus
51320 West Highway 50
Cañon City, CO 81212
719.296.6100

Pueblo Campus
900 West Orman Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004
719.549.3200

PCC Southwest Campus
33057 Highway 160
Mancos, CO 81328
970.564.6200
Toll-free: 888.642.6017

PCC Durango Site
Durango High School
2320 Main Avenue
Durango, CO 81301
970.385.2000
Toll-free: 888.642.6017

Bayfield Site
110 East South Street
Bayfield, CO 81122
CODE OF CIVILITY

“To educate a person in mind and not in morals is to create a menace to society”
Credited to Theodore Roosevelt

Recognizing that a positive and safe environment is essential for learning and that the mission of the College is to foster higher learning, student success, and service to our communities, Pueblo Community College adopts the following Code of Civility:

All members of Pueblo Community College – administrators, staff, and students – will:

- Treat others as they wish to be treated.
- Respect the work and property of others.
- Promote the free expression of views without degrading or harming others.
- Value differing points of view.
- Engage in courteous discourse – verbal and non-verbal, electronic, written, and oral.
- Exhibit the values of academic and professional integrity: honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility.
- Demonstrate the courage to challenge others to abide by the tenets of civility.

Colorado Student Bill of Rights

General Assembly implemented the student Bill of Rights (C.R.S. 23-1-125) to assure students enrolled in Colorado public institutions of higher education have the following rights:

a. A quality general education experience that develops competencies in reading, writing, mathematics, technology, and critical thinking through an integrated arts and science experience.

b. Students should be able to complete their associate of arts and associate of science degree programs in no more than sixty credit hours or their baccalaureate programs in no more than one hundred twenty credit hours unless there are additional degree requirements recognized by the commission.

c. A student can sign a two-year or four-year graduation agreement that formalizes a plan for that student to obtain a degree in two or four years, unless there are additional degree requirements recognized by the commission.

d. Students have a right to clear and concise information concerning which courses must be completed successfully to complete their degrees.

e. Students have a right to know which courses are transferable among the state public two-year and four-year institutions of higher education.

f. Students, upon completion of core general education courses, regardless of the delivery method, should have those courses satisfy the core course requirements of all Colorado public institutions of higher education.

g. Students have a right to know if courses from one or more public higher education institutions satisfy the students’ degree requirements.

h. A student’s credit for the completion of the core requirements and core courses shall not expire for ten years from the date of initial enrollment and shall be transferable.
STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Introduction

The community of Pueblo Community College (PCC) includes students who are enrolled in PCC courses at any location which includes the Pueblo Campus, the Fremont Campus in Cañon City, PCC Southwest Campus located in Mancos, and PCC Southwest Site located in Durango, Bayfield and any other locations where PCC offers internships, clinical, or other work experience classes. Any member of these PCC communities has an obligation to uphold the rules of the PCC community and the laws of the larger community served by the College.

The intent of this Code is to ensure that students at PCC neither lose their rights nor relinquish the responsibility as citizens in their larger community and in the college community. While the activities covered by the laws of the larger community and those covered by PCC's rules may overlap, it is to be understood that the community's laws and PCC's rules operate independently and that they do not substitute for each other. PCC may pursue enforcement of its own rules whether or not legal proceedings are underway or in prospect, and may use information from third party sources (such as law enforcement agencies and the courts) to determine whether college rules have been violated. A PCC student is not exempt from local, state, or federal laws and PCC students have the additional obligation of abiding by all of PCC's regulations. It is the personal responsibility of every member of the PCC community not only to protect his/her own rights, but also to respect the rights of others and to conduct themselves in a manner conducive to learning in an educational environment.

While PCC expects students to adhere to the Student Code of Conduct, PCC also assumes the obligation of clearly identifying and enforcing the Student Code of Conduct. PCC maintains the basic understanding that those students who do not follow and adhere to the Student Code of Conduct must be held accountable for their actions. Additionally, PCC expects students who are enrolled in the following programs to follow the standards identified in the program handbook:

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*Figure 1 Program 1 and Program 2*
Definitions

1. **Cheating** includes, but is not limited to: (1) use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations; (2) dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out other assignments; or (3) the acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a member of the College faculty or staff.

2. **Classes** include all educational offerings for credit, non-credit and/or training sessions facilitated by PCC.

3. **Code of Conduct** a document developed and published by each College which defines prescribed conduct of students.

4. **College Official** includes any person employed by the College, performing assigned administrative or professional responsibilities.

5. **College premises** includes all land, buildings, facilities, and other property in the possession of, owned, used, or controlled by the College (including adjacent streets and sidewalks).

6. **College suspension or expulsion** is an involuntary separation of the student from the College for misconduct apart from academic performance for a specified period of time. **Suspension** is a separation that shall not exceed two academic terms per suspension for any singular offense or situation. While a student is suspended, he or she is not eligible for admission or re-admission at any of the community colleges within the Colorado Community College System. Once the suspension is lifted the student is eligible for admission or re-admission. Students may be suspended from a class, residence hall, and use of a college facility or an activity in the sole determination by an authorized college employee that the conduct is in violation of the Code subject only to an appeal to the Chief Student Services Officer to ensure that the action was taken pursuant to college policies. Students may be suspended from one class period by the responsibility faculty member, longer suspensions can be done only in accordance with college procedures. **Expulsion** is an indefinite separation from the institution. While a student is expelled, he or she is not eligible for admission or re-admission at any of the community colleges within the Colorado Community College System. After the expulsion, a student's eligibility for re-admission is contingent upon their ability to prove the behavior that resulted in the expulsion has been resolved. (See page 22 for further information.)

7. **Complainant(s)** a person(s) who is subject to the alleged misconduct or related retaliation. For purposes of this procedure, a complainant can be a CCCS employee(s), student(s), authorized volunteer(s), guest(s), or visitor(s).

8. **Chief Student Services Officer (CSSO) through the Dean of** Students is the Chief Student Services Officer who has been designated by the College President to be responsible for the administration of the Student Code of Conduct and related disciplinary procedures.

9. **Fabrication** includes, but is not limited to, intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.

10. **Jurisdiction** applies to behaviors that take place on the campus, at System or College sponsored events; and may also apply to off-campus and to online activity when the Chief Student Services Officer (CSSO), or designee, determines that the off-campus conduct affects a substantial System or College interest. A substantial College interest is defined to include the following:

    - Any action that constitutes criminal offense as defined by federal or Colorado law. This includes, but is not limited to, single or repeated violations of any local, state or federal law committed in the municipality where the System or the College is located;
    - Any situation where it appears that the accused individual may present a danger or threat to the health or safety of self or others;
    - Any situation that significantly impinges upon the rights, property or achievements of self or others or significantly breaches the peace and/or causes social disorder; and/or,
    - Any situation that is detrimental to the educational interests of the System or the College.

Any online postings or other electronic communication by students, including cyber-bullying, cyber-stalking, cyber-harassment, etc. occurring completely outside of the System or the College’s control (e.g., not on System or College networks, websites or between System or College email accounts) will only be subject to this procedure when those online behaviors can be shown to cause a substantial on-campus disruption. Otherwise, such communications are considered speech protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution.

Any area underlined is a hyperlink which will direct you to a website.
11. **Member of the College community** includes any person who is a student, faculty member, College official, or any other person employed by the College. The Chief Student Services Officer through the Dean of Students shall determine a person’s status in a particular situation. The community of Pueblo Community College includes students enrolled in PCC courses at any location which includes the Pueblo Campus, the Fremont Campus in Cañon City, the PCC Southwest Site in Durango, Bayfield and PCC Southwest Campus in Mancos, and any other locations where PCC classes or activities are conducted.

12. **Notice** notices which are required to be given by this procedure shall be considered served upon the student when given by personal delivery, mailing by certified mail, or emailing the student to their official College email address requesting a delivery receipt notification. If notice is mailed, student shall be given three (3) additional days to respond.

13. **Plagiarism** includes, but is not limited to, the use, by paraphrase or direct quotations, of the published or unpublished work of another person without full and clear acknowledgment. It also includes submitting examinations, themes, reports, drawings, laboratory notes, undocumented quotations, computer-processed materials, or other material as one’s own work when another person has prepared such work or copied from another person. It also includes the unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic materials.

14. **Respondent** is a student whose alleged conduct is the subject of a complaint or incident.

15. **Student** are all persons currently taking courses at or sponsored by the College(s), pursuing either credit or non-credit courses (or both), including those concurrently attending secondary or post-secondary institutions and College. Persons who are not officially enrolled for a specific term, but who have a continuing relationship with the College are considered students (i.e., TRIO and Gateway students).

16. **Title IX Coordinator(s) and Title VI and VII Coordinator(s) (EO Coordinator[s])** are designated by the College President to oversee all civil rights complaints.

**Proscribed Conduct**

College disciplinary regulations are set forth in writing and in concert with **BP 4-30** and **SP 4-30** in order to give students general notice of proscribed (prohibited) conduct. These rules and regulations should be read broadly and are not designed to define prohibited conduct in exhaustive terms. It is recognized by the College that students are expected to adhere to PCC regulations and obey the laws of the larger community and to take personal responsibility for their conduct. A student is therefore subject to two sources of authority: civil/criminal authority and College authority.

Violation of any municipal ordinance, law or regulation of the state of Colorado, or law or regulation of the United States which may cause harm or endangerment to self or others, or somehow compromises the educational mission of the College, may result in disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal from the College. The College does not normally take disciplinary action for off-campus violations, but it retains the right to act in special cases. Disciplinary actions imposed by PCC may precede, and be in addition to, any penalty that might be imposed by an off-campus authority.

When accused of a violation, a student has a right to review the evidence against him or her and to respond to the allegations. However, this does not necessarily mean the right to confront a witness. An attempt will be made to resolve all cases at the lowest level possible.

**Any student found to have committed an act of misconduct is subject to disciplinary sanctions.**

**Misconduct**

1. **Abuse of the Student Disciplinary and/or Grievance Procedure:**
   Abuse of the Student Disciplinary and/or Grievance Procedure includes, but is not limited to the following:
   - Disruption or interference with the orderly conduct of the student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
   - Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation, or knowingly pursuing malicious, frivolous, or fraudulent charges.
   - Attempting to discourage an individual’s proper participation in, or use of, the student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
   - Attempting to influence the impartiality of a participant and/or the student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
- Harassment (verbal or physical) and/or intimidation of a participant in the student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
- Failure to comply with directives and/or sanctions imposed under student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
- Influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the student disciplinary/grievance procedure.
- Engaging in retaliatory acts in any form against any person or person(s) involved in the student disciplinary/grievance procedure to include retaliatory acts via proxy.

2. Academic Misconduct:
Plagiarizing, cheating, or committing any other form of academic misconduct including, but not limited to, unauthorized collaboration, falsification of information, and/or helping someone else violate reasonable standards for academic behavior. Students who engage in any type of academic dishonesty are subject to **both** academic consequences as determined by the instructor and to disciplinary action as outlined in the Pueblo Community College disciplinary procedures.

3. Conduct that is Detrimental to the College or to Safety:
Conduct that is deemed detrimental, harmful and/or damaging to the College and/or that jeopardizes the safety of others as determined by the Dean of Students or the Chief Student Services Officer. Examples include, but are not limited to, slamming doors, throwing chairs, and/or defacing of college property.

4. Deceitful Acts:
Engaging in deceitful acts including, but not limited to: forgery, falsification, alteration, misrepresentation, non-disclosure, or misuse of documents, records, identification and/or educational materials.

5. Disruptive Behavior:
Engaging in any disruptive behavior that negatively affects or impedes teaching or learning (regardless of mode of delivery or class setting); or disrupts the general operation of the College.

Note: Public display of affection can be disruptive behavior if the behavior creates a Hostile Environment – Sexual Harassment. The College will investigate all complaints by students, staff, and community members regarding display of affection to see if a hostile environment has been created.

6. Dress Code:
Dress or personal hygiene that fails to meet the established safety or health standards of specific classes or activities offered by the College.

7. Failure to Comply
Intentionally delaying, obstructing, resisting, or failing to comply, including the failure to comply with sanctions imposed under this Code, with the reasonable request of an individual who, in the performance of their duties, identifies themselves as a PCC Official or emergency personnel. Example includes, but is not limited to, failure to comply with a no contact directive issued by a PCC official or not responding to an PCC official disciplinary meeting request.

8. Group or Organization Conduct:
Students who are members of a college recognized student organization or group and commit a violation of the Student Code of Conduct “SCOC” may be accountable both as an individual **and** as a member of the student organization.

9. Harassment and/or Discrimination:
Discrimination or harassment 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.
10. **Illegal Gambling:**
   Participation in illegal gambling activities on college owned or college controlled property, and/or any function authorized or supervised by the College and/or in state owned or leased vehicles.

11. **Leaving Children Unattended:**
    Leaving children unattended or unsupervised in campus buildings or on campus grounds unless the child is enrolled or participating in authorized campus activities.

12. **Narcotics/Alcohol:**
    Use, being under the influence, manufacturing, possession, distribution, purchase, or sale of alcohol and/or drugs (illegal and/or dangerous or controlled substance) while on college owned or college controlled property, and/or at any function authorized or supervised by the College and/or in state owned or leased vehicles.

    Note: Possession of a state of Colorado medical marijuana card does not entitle a student to possess or use marijuana on the College campus, buildings, or grounds. Although possession and use of marijuana for certain medical conditions consistent with the requirements of the Colorado Constitution is no longer a crime in the State of Colorado, the possession and use of marijuana remains illegal under federal law. Consistent with federal law, including the Controlled Substances Act and the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, the use and/or possession of marijuana by students is prohibited on college owned or college controlled property, and/or any function authorized or supervised by the College and/or in state owned or leased vehicles.

13. **Non-physical Abuse:**
    Non-physical abuse, threats, intimidation, coercion, influence, or any unwelcome conduct in any form that is sufficiently severe, pervasive or persistent that it alters the conditions of the learning environment or employment.

    Knowingly falsifying, publishing, or distributing, in any form, material that tends to impeach the honesty, integrity, virtue, or reputation of another person.

14. **Physical Abuse:**
    Physical abuse or conduct that threatens or endangers another person's health or safety.

15. **Sexual Misconduct:**
    Sexual Misconduct offenses include, but are not limited to Sexual Harassment, Non-Consensual Sexual Contact (or attempts to commit same), Non-Consensual Sexual Intercourse (or attempts to commit same), and/or Sexual Exploitation. ([See SP 4-120a](#)) for more information.

    Public displays of affection are inappropriate in the college environment and students are expected to show good judgment and restraint when on campus.

16. **Tampering with a Student Organization, Election, or Vote:**
    Tampering with the process of any college recognized student organization, election, or vote.

17. **Tobacco Use on the College Campuses:**
    PCC is tobacco free as of fall 2017 at all PCC campuses. Violations of this policy will subject students to disciplinary sanction(s).

18. **Unacceptable Use of College Equipment, Network, or System:**
    Unacceptable uses of any college-owned or operated equipment, network or system including, but not limited to: knowingly spreading computer viruses; reposting personal communications without author’s consent; copying protected materials; using the network for financial or personal gain, commercial activity, or illegal activity; accessing the network using another individuals account; unauthorized downloading/uploading software and/or digital video or music; downloading/uploading, viewing or displaying pornographic content; or any other attempt to compromise network integrity.
19. **Unauthorized Entry into College Events:**
   Entering or attempting to enter any college-sponsored activity without proper credentials for admission.

20. **Unauthorized Pets/Animals:**
    Possession of any unauthorized pet or animal, excluding trained service animals, while on college-owned or college-controlled property.

21. **Unauthorized Entry and/or Unauthorized Possession:**
    Entry into or use of any building, room, or other college-owned or college-controlled property, grounds, or activities without authorized approval. This also includes, but is not limited to the unauthorized possession, duplication or use of college keys, lock combinations, access codes, and access cards and/or credentials.

22. **Violation of Laws, Directives, and Signage:**
    - Violating any municipal, county, state or federal law that adversely impacts the conditions of the educational or employment environment.
    - Violations of college traffic and parking rules, regulations, or signage.
    - Creating an intentional obstruction that unreasonably interferes with freedom of movement, either pedestrian or vehicular. This includes, but is not limited to leading or inciting to disrupt college activities. Failure to comply with the lawful directives of College employees acting within the scope of their duties, including those directives issued by a College administrator to ensure the safety and well-being of others.
    - Violations of college policies, protocols, or procedures.

23. **Weapons:**
    Possession or distribution of any unauthorized firearms, ammunition, explosives, fireworks and/or other dangerous weapons (or chemicals) or use/threat of use of any instrument as a weapon to intimidate, harass, or cause harm to others.

**NOTE:** As a standard practice, PCC will treat attempts to commit Student Code of Conduct violations as if those attempts had been completed.
ADMINISTRATION OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE

The responsibility of administering the PCC student discipline system is delegated to the Chief Student Services Officer (CSSO) through the Dean of Students. The Chief Student Services Officer through the Dean of Students may delegate authority to other groups or individuals for handling violations of the Student Code of Conduct.

The College believes that all cases should be resolved at the lowest level possible, and all discipline-related activities should be monitored by a central administrative authority to ensure fairness and consistency. Therefore, all disciplinary proceedings and sanctions imposed by any designated discipline officer will be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer through the Dean of Students or designee for record-keeping purposes.

When a case is not resolved at the lowest possible level, other persons may become involved in the discipline process as identified herein.

The following procedures summarize the process for all disciplinary cases which are a reflection of student behavior. Included in such behavior is an allegation of Academic Dishonesty.

Procedure
The CSSO or designee shall receive all allegations of student misconduct, investigate the complaints, which includes meeting with the student to give him/her the opportunity to respond to the allegations of misconduct. The student will decide if he/she wants the complaint handled administratively (between the student and the Dean of Students (designee) or through an administrative hearing (made up of two (2) faculty, one (1) staff, one (1) student, and hearing chair). If the allegations of misconduct are discrimination and/or harassment based on federal or state civil rights laws, the College will investigate those incidents through the Civil Rights Grievance and Investigation Process, System President’s Procedures (SP) 3-50b and (SP) 4-31a.

Once the investigation is complete, either through this process or the Civil Rights Grievance and Investigation Process, the CSSO or designee shall render a sanction decision.

**Administrative**: The CSSO or designee may decide that the charges can be disposed of administratively by mutual consent of the parties involved on a basis acceptable to them. If an administrative resolution is not achieved, the CSSO or designee shall issue a decision which determines whether the alleged conduct occurred; whether the conduct violated the Student Code of Conduct or College procedures; and impose a sanction(s) if appropriate.

**Administrative hearing**: After the hearing, the Committee Chair will provide the Dean of Students (designee) with the committee’s decision and recommended sanction(s), if appropriate.

In cases of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, the complainant and the respondent will be notified simultaneously in writing of the outcome of any disciplinary proceeding, as well as any changes to those results or disciplinary actions prior to the time that such results become final and shall be given the rationale for the discipline decision.

The student shall receive written notice of the decision and be advised of his/her right to appeal the Decision, subject to the grounds below, by submitting an online form. The filing of a written appeal must be submitted within seven (7) calendar days of service of the decision.

**Appeal (per SP4-30)**

In the event of an appeal, the Dean of Students or designee shall give written notice to the other party (e.g., if the accused student appeals, the appeal is shared with the complainant who may also wish to file a response), and then the Dean of Students or designee will draft a response memorandum (also shared with all parties). All appeals and responses are then forwarded to the Appeals Officer (CSSO) or committee for initial review to determine if the appeal is timely and meets the limited grounds. The original finding(s) and sanction(s) will stand if the appeal is not timely or substantively eligible, and the decision is final.
If the appeal has standing, the documentation is reviewed. Because the original finding(s) and sanction(s) are presumed to have been decided reasonably and appropriately, the party appealing the decision must specifically cite the error(s) in the original determination on which the appeal is based. The only grounds for appeal are as follows:

1. A material procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the hearing (e.g. substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures); which must be explained in the written appeal; or

2. To consider new evidence unavailable during the investigation or hearing that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction. A summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included in the written appeal, as well as the reasons the new evidence was not available during the original proceeding. Failure to participate in the initial process does not constitute as new information for the appeal process.

If the Appeals Officer or committee determines that a material procedural or substantive error occurred, the complaint may be returned to the Dean of Students or designee with instructions to reconvene, in order to cure the error. In rare cases of bias, where the procedural or substantive error cannot be cured by the Dean of Students or designee, the Appeals Officer or committee may order that a new hearing be held by a different individual acting in the place of the designated Dean of Students or designee. The results of a reconvened hearing cannot be appealed. The results of a new hearing can be appealed once on (either or both of) the two applicable grounds for appeals.

If the Appeals Officer or committee determines that new evidence should be considered, it will return the complaint to the Dean of Students or designee to reconsider in light of the new evidence, only. If the subject matter pertains to civil rights violations pursuant to SP 4-31a, the Appeals Officer or committee will return the complaint to the Title IX/EEO Coordinator to reconsider in light of the new evidence, only. The reconsideration of the Dean of Students, designee, or Title IX/EEO Coordinator is not appealable.

The procedures governing the hearing of appeals include the following:

- All parties should be timely informed of the status of requests for appeal, the status of the appeal consideration, and the results of the appeal decision.
- If the Appeals Officer or committee determines there is new evidence or error in the original proceeding, every opportunity to return the appeal to the Dean of Students or designee for reconsideration (remand) will be pursued.
- Appeals are not intended to be a full rehearing of the complaint (de novo). In most cases, appeals are confined to a review of the written documentation or record of the original hearing, and pertinent documentation regarding the grounds for appeal.
- An appeal is not an opportunity for an Appeals Officer or committee to substitute their judgment for that of the Dean of Students or designee, merely because they disagree with the finding and/or sanctions.
- Appeals decisions are to be deferential to the original decision, making changes to the findings only where there is clear error and a compelling justification to do so.
- Sanctions imposed are implemented immediately, unless the Dean of Students or designee stays their implementation in extraordinary circumstances, pending the outcome of the appeal.
- The Appeals Officer or committee will render a written decision on the appeal to all parties within seven (7) days of receiving the appeal request. The committee’s decision to deny appeal requests is final.
Special Discipline Process Provisions

- In the event that the student is under the age of eighteen or incapacitated, he or she may have an advisor present to assist him/her in presenting his/her case.

- Students do not have the right to be represented by an attorney or law student during the proceedings except in the case where civil or criminal actions concerning the student are pending and in that case the attorney’s role shall be advisory only.

- The student is responsible for presenting his/her own case and, therefore, advisors are not permitted to speak or to participate directly in any hearing except when the student is under the age of eighteen (18) or incapacitated.

- Student shall have the right to identify documents, witnesses, and other material he/she would like the Dean of Students or designee to review before making a final decision.

- Any hearing held shall be conducted in private unless all parties agree otherwise.

- If student has a disability and would like to request an accommodation to assist him/her through the discipline process, they may do so by informing the Dean of Students or designee. The Dean of Students or designee will then work with disability support services to accommodate the request.

- Proceedings under this procedure may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings off-campus.

- Standard of proof the College will use the preponderance of evidence standard in the disciplinary proceedings, meaning, the College will determine whether it is, more likely than not, a conduct code was violated.

- All sanctions imposed by the original decision maker will be in effect during the appeal. A request may be made to the Dean of Students or designee for special consideration in exigent circumstances, but the presumptive stance of the institution is that the sanctions will stand. Graduation, study abroad, internships/externships/clinical placements, etc. do not in and of themselves constitute exigent circumstances, and students may not be able to participate in those activities during their appeal. In cases where the appeal results in reinstatement to the institution or of privileges, all reasonable attempts will be made to restore the student to their prior status, recognizing that some opportunities lost may be irretrievable in the short term.

- The procedural rights afforded to students above may be waived by the student.

Additional Process Provisions (per SP4-30)

- The student may have the opportunity to be advised by a personal advisor of their choice, at their expense, at any stage of the process and to be accompanied by that advisor at any meeting or hearing. An advisor may only consult and advise the student, but not speak for the student at any meeting or hearing. These procedures are entirely administrative in nature and are not considered legal proceedings. The Dean of Students, or designee, may remove or dismiss an advisor who becomes disruptive or who does not abide by the restrictions on their participation.

- The student is responsible for presenting their own case and, therefore, advisors are not permitted to speak or to participate directly in any hearing, except when the student is under the age of eighteen (18) or incapacitated.

- A student shall have the right to identify documents, witnesses, and other material he/she would like the Dean of Students or designee to review before making a final decision.

- Any hearing held shall be conducted in private unless all parties agree otherwise.

- All timelines may be extended if agreed upon by both parties.
Retaliatory Acts

It is a violation of this procedure to engage in retaliatory acts against any employee or student who reports an incident(s) of Code of Conduct violations or any employee or student who testifies, assists, or participates in the discipline proceeding, investigation or hearing relating to such allegation(s) of Code of Conduct violations. See (per SP4-30)

Sanctions

One or more of the following sanctions may be imposed when there is a finding that a student has violated the College’s Student Code of Conduct. See (per SP4-30):

1. Warning: A Notice served upon the student advising him/her that he/she is violating or has violated College regulations.

2. Probation: After a finding of violation of the Code of Conduct, restriction of student's privileges for a designated period of time including the probability of more severe disciplinary sanctions if the student is found to be violating any College regulations during the probationary period.

3. Other Disciplinary Sanction: Fines, restitution, denial of privileges (including extra-curricular activities or holding office in student organizations), assignment to perform services for the benefit of the College or community; educational sanctions such as mediation, letter of reflection, attendance at a workshop, seminar, training, or writing a letter of apology seeking academic advising; re-assignment or eviction from campus housing, substance abuse screening; re-assignment to another class section, including a potential online section, or other sanction that does not result in the student being denied the right of attending classes, or any combination of these.

4. College Suspension or Expulsion: An involuntary separation of the student from the College for misconduct not based on academic performance for a specified period of time.

   a. Suspension is a separation that shall not exceed three academic terms (including summer term) per suspension for any singular offense or situation. While a student is suspended, he or she is not eligible for admission or re-admission at any of the community Colleges within the System.

   If a student is suspended at Metropolitan State University of Denver [MSUD] or the University of Colorado Denver [UCD] and attempts to enroll at one of the other thirteen community Colleges within the System, he or she may be denied pursuant to the process under Board Policy 4-10, Admission, Continued Enrollment and Re-enrollment of Students.

   Once the suspension is lifted at any of the community Colleges within the System, at Metropolitan State University of Denver [MSUD] or the University of Colorado Denver [UCD], the student may be eligible for admission or re-admission.

   Examples of suspension include, but are not limited to the following: the College, a department or program, a class, use of a College facility, or an activity.

   Students may be suspended from one class period by the responsible faculty member or adjunct instructor. Longer suspensions can only be implemented by the CSSO or designee in accordance with this procedure.

   b. Expulsion is an indefinite separation from the College. The expelled student is not eligible for admission or re-admission at any of the community Colleges within the System.

   If a student is expelled at Metropolitan State University of Denver [MSUD] or the University of Colorado Denver [UCD] and attempts to enroll at one of the other thirteen community Colleges within the System, he or she may be denied pursuant to the process under Board Policy 4-10, Admission, Continued Enrollment and Re-enrollment of Students.
In exceptional cases where a student wants to be considered for admission or re-admission after an expulsion has been implemented, the student bears the burden to prove that the behavior resulting in the expulsion has been resolved. It is the College’s discretion to admit or deny the student.

5. Interim Action: An immediate action taken by the Dean of Students or designee, to ensure the safety and well-being of members of the System or College community; preservation of System or College property; or if the student poses a definite threat of disruption or interference to others or the normal operations of the System or College. In the event of an interim action, the hearing before the Dean of Students or designee shall occur as soon as possible following the interim action. If the College issues a permanent sanction, the student shall be afforded appeal rights as discussed below. If the College does not implement a permanent sanction, the interim action will be removed from the student’s record.

6. The College may issue a “Cease Communications”, “No Contact”, and/or “No Trespass” directive, also referred to as a *persona non grata*.

**NOTE:** A student may not withdraw from a course in order to avoid possible academic and disciplinary sanctions. If a student is suspected of committing an act of academic dishonesty, then the case must be resolved before the student can initiate a withdrawal. Once a student receives an “F” in any course as an academic sanction, the student cannot withdraw from the course. If a student appeals the determination or sanction, the student may not withdraw from the course until after the appeal is resolved. If the appeal process results in the sanction being upheld, then the grade of “F” for that course will be placed on the student’s official transcript.

More than one of the sanctions listed above may be imposed for any single violation.

**Notification of Results**
Those accused of violations of the PCC Student Code of Conduct will be notified of the findings and results of the investigation; those reporting alleged violations and those who are alleged victims of the alleged actions will not be notified of the results with the following exception:

The alleged victim of *any violent crime* or *non-forcible sex offense* will be notified of the findings and results of any disciplinary proceedings.

**Revising this Procedure**
Pueblo Community College reserves the right to change any provision or requirement of this procedure at any time and the change shall become effective immediately.

The Student Code of Conduct shall be reviewed for possible revision no later than three (3) years after its implementation and at least every three (3) years thereafter.

Initially approved by Pueblo Community College Cabinet,
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ACADEMIC INTEGRITY and ACADEMIC DISHONESTY/ACADEMIC ISSUES

Students who violate Pueblo Community College rules on academic integrity are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure or removal from a course, disciplinary probation and/or dismissal from the College.

Introduction

Pueblo Community College is committed to providing a superior educational experience for all students who attend the College. Ensuring academic integrity and honesty in all educational classrooms and programs is critical to providing this high level of education.

The College places a strong expectation on all students to act honestly in all situations. The College does recognize that some students will choose to commit acts of academic dishonesty, which places an expectation on all faculty and staff to confront these acts of dishonesty. When a student is suspected of committing an act of academic dishonesty, the College will follow the process listed below. The process is intended to uphold and respect the student’s due process rights.

What is “Academic Dishonesty”?  
“Academic Dishonesty is any action that results in students giving or receiving unauthorized assistance in an academic exercise or receiving credit for work that is not their own.”

Academic dishonesty is a behavioral issue and considered an act of misconduct subject to the College disciplinary process as defined in the Student Code of Conduct, which is found in the Student Handbook and subject to the academic sanction as defined in an instructor’s course syllabus.

What Are Specific Acts of Academic Dishonesty?

The following are acts of academic dishonesty:

- **Cheating**—intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise. The term academic exercise includes all forms of work submitted for credit or hours.
- **Fabrication**—intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.
- **Facilitating Academic Dishonesty**—intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to violate a provision of the institutional code of academic integrity.
- **Plagiarism**—the deliberate adoption or reproduction of ideas, words, or statements of another person as one’s own without giving the credit.
- **Unauthorized Collaboration**—intentionally sharing information or working together in an academic exercise when such actions are not approved by the course instructor.

(This is not meant to be an exhaustive list of all acts of academic dishonesty, but is a guide to help instructors and students understand what constitutes academic dishonesty.)

Initial Response by Instructor

Pueblo Community College makes every effort to preserve the instructor/student relationship. In the event of alleged academic dishonesty, the instructor should first check with the Division of Student Services to determine if there has been a previous violation of academic dishonesty. If there has been a previous violation, the matter is automatically referred to the Dean of Students in the Division of Student Services.

If this is an alleged first violation, the instructor will:

- **STEP 1**: Complete the Academic Dishonesty Report Form.
- **STEP 2**: Arrange to meet with the student(s) accused of academic dishonesty in a timely manner and address the academic dishonesty incident and afford the student the opportunity to explain his/her case.*
STEP 3: If the student(s) accepts responsibility for the act of academic dishonesty and the faculty member is satisfied that the incident can be effectively resolved with a grade sanction, the instructor will assign an academic sanction based on what is written in the course syllabus or one of the following sanctions:

- Verbal reprimand
- Written warning
- Performance of additional work
- Changing/reduction of grade on assignment
- Assign an “F” in the course**
- Withdrawal from the course

The instructor will forward all documentation to the Dean of Students and this would complete the academic dishonesty process for this case.

*If the student does not participate in person or via email with the instructor, a violation of the code of conduct, the instructor will forward the case to the Dean of Students.

**A student may not withdraw from a course in order to avoid possible academic and disciplinary sanctions. If a student is suspected of committing an act of academic dishonesty, then the case must be resolved before the student can initiate a withdrawal. If a student receives an “F” in any course as an academic sanction, the student cannot withdraw from that course. If a student appeals, the student may not withdraw from the course until after the appeal is resolved. If the appeal process results in the sanction being upheld, then the grade of “F” for that course will be placed on the student’s official transcript.

If the student denies the allegation of academic dishonesty, or if the case is a second violation, or if the faculty member believes the severity of the incident may warrant a sanction more severe than is available to the instructor, the instructor will:

STEP 1: Complete the Academic Dishonesty Report Form, including a summary of relevant documentation, and refer the case to the Dean of Students.

STEP 2: The Dean of Students will begin with a pre-hearing conference with the accused student(s). During the pre-hearing conference, the accused student(s) will have the opportunity to discuss and review all evidence as well as ask questions about the charges and options available for resolution. During the pre-hearing conference the student will be presented with the two following options:

A. To plead responsible for the charge of academic dishonesty, which indicates that the student does not contest the charge of academic dishonesty, waives all rights to a formal hearing, and accepts the sanction imposed by the Dean of Students. This decision is final and not appealable; or

B. To plead not responsible for the charge of academic dishonesty and request a formal hearing with the Academic Integrity Review Committee.

Pending the outcome of an investigation that is not resolved at the end of the semester or summer session, the instructor must assign a grade of “Z” (Z meaning no grade) to the student.

Should a student chooses to not participate (is non-responsive) in the academic dishonesty process within 5 working days of the Dean of Student contacting the student, it will be understood that the student accepts the sanction and the instructor’s recommended sanction will be implemented.

Hearing Process

The Academic Integrity Review Committee (made up of two (2) faculty or staff, one (1) students and (one) 1 committee chair) will conform to rules of the hearing by reviewing all available information to assist them in rendering a fair and impartial decision. The hearing shall be conducted according to the following procedural framework:

STEP 1: The Dean of Students, or the appropriate Campus Dean at the Branch Campus, shall give prompt notice to the student and the instructor that a hearing has been scheduled. The hearing will be conducted either in person or by WebEx/Video Conference.
STEP 2: Both the instructor and student shall make themselves available to the Academic Integrity Review Committee. However, the student and/or the instructor may have an advisor of choice, because the hearing is an administrative academic matter is not subject to the protocols of a legal proceeding. The advisor of choice is restricted to advise the student or the instructor and may not speak on behalf of the student and/or the instructor nor ask questions of any witness(es). The advisor may be dismissed from the hearing proceeding if at any time they fail to follow established hearing procedures and/or disrupt the proceedings. The hearing will proceed regardless if the student, instructor, advisor(s) or witness(es) fails to attend the hearing.

STEP 3: The student and/or instructor may present the names of any witnesses who may provide pertinent information at the hearing, with a brief written general statement of the nature of the testimony from each witness. The list of witnesses and brief statements will be shared by the Dean of Students or Campus Dean with the student and instructor prior to the hearing. The student and/or instructor is responsible to contact their witness(es) of the hearing date, time, and location to ensure they are present at the hearing. The hearing will proceed even if the witness(es) fails to attend the hearing.

STEP 4: The hearing shall be conducted and only the Academic Integrity Review Committee, the student, the instructor, the student and instructor’s advisor of choice, and witnesses, may be present. Witnesses may be excluded from the hearing until it is their turn to present information to be considered by the committee. Hearings may be held via video conference to ensure timeliness in responding to the allegation.

STEP 5: The Chair of the Academic Committee shall control the conduct of the hearing, the general order of which shall be as follows:

- The instructor shall present information that led up to the academic dishonesty allegation(s), witnesses or other documentation/testimony in support of his/her academic sanction(s). Only Committee members shall have the right to ask any questions of the instructor or their witness(es).
- The student shall present witnesses, testimony, and any documentation considered to support their position. Only Committee members shall have the right to ask any questions of the student or their witness(es).
- Closing statements may be made by the student or instructor, if desired.
- The Committee may, at its discretion, summon anyone who may have information on the appeal being heard to assist the Committee in rendering a fair and impartial decision.

**Academic Committee Decision**

The Chair of the Academic Integrity Review Committee shall submit the committee’s written decision on the case to the Dean of Students or the Campus Dean at the Branch Campus on or within 24 hours of the completion of the hearing. The Dean of Students or the Campus Dean will notify all parties of the committee’s decision.

The Dean of Students will record the disposition of the hearing, file any documents related to the case, and/or pursue any disciplinary action in violation of the PCC Student Handbook—Student Code of Conduct.

**Appeal Procedure for Student Academic Actions**

A student may wish to file an appeal of the academic dishonesty decision issued by the Academic Integrity Review Committee. An appeal may be presented if:

1. A material procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the hearing (e.g. substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures); which must be explained in the written appeal; or

2. To consider new evidence, unavailable during the investigation or hearing that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction. A summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included in the written appeal, as well as the reasons the new evidence was not available during the original proceeding.
The following steps will be followed:

**STEP 1:** The student will submit to the Dean of Students a written request to appeal within three business days of receiving notice of the hearing’s outcome.

**STEP 2:** The student must provide a written detailed explanation for appealing the decision and provide documentation to support the reason for their appeal based on substantive error or new evidence.

**STEP 3:** If the appeal meets the criteria listed above, the CSSO will request all documentation from the Dean of Students to determine if the appeal is warranted, and the decision by the Academic Integrity Review Committee was fair and impartial in compliance with College protocol and available documentation. The CSSO may render a decision based on the facts or has the option of convening the Academic Integrity Review Committee.

a. Should the CSSO choose to render a decision based on the facts and determines there is substantive error or new information could alter the original decision, the CSSO will return the case to the original review committee to reconsider the new evidence only. The reconsideration of the review committee is not appealable.

   i. If the CSSO determines that a material procedural error occurred, it may return the complaint to the original review committee with instructions to reconvene to cure the error. In rare cases, where a procedural error cannot be cured by the original review committee (as in cases of bias), the CSSO may order a new hearing on the case with a new review committee. The results of the new hearing can be appealed once if it meets the appeal criteria.

b. Should the CSSO uphold the Academic Integrity Review Committee’s decision, the CSSO will notify the student and instructor of the final decision. The decision of the CSSO is final and not appealable.

The CSSO will forward any documents and the final decision to the Dean of Students who will record the disposition of the decision, file any documents related to the case, and/or pursue any disciplinary action in violation of the PCC Student Handbook—Student Code of Conduct.

**Academic Dishonesty Sanctions**

The goal of the disciplinary system at PCC is to hold students accountable for their actions and to educate students. Appropriate sanctions help the College to teach and the student to learn that there are negative consequences to inappropriate or dishonest actions.

Possible Academic Dishonesty Sanctions Given by the Academic Integrity Review Committee

- Verbal reprimand
- Written warning
- Performance of additional work
- Changing/reduction of grade
- Withdrawal from the course
- Disciplinary probation
- Suspension from the college
- Expulsion from the college
- Other appropriate sanctions as determined by the Academic Integrity Review Committee

**Disciplinary Sanctions**

In addition to any academic sanction(s), a student found to have committed an act of academic dishonesty is subject to disciplinary sanctions that may include disciplinary suspension and/or disciplinary expulsion from the college. The academic dishonesty procedure is intended to afford students' academic disciplinary due process and appeal rights. The academic actions procedure is equally intended to afford students due process and appeal rights when a student believes that they have been treated unfairly and to resolve academic issues at the lowest possible level.
This Student Grievance Procedure is intended to allow students an opportunity to present an issue that they feel warrants action, including the right to secure educational benefits and services.

If the basis of the claim is discrimination and/or harassment based on federal or state civil rights laws, the student must file a grievance under the Civil Rights Grievance and Investigation Process. Please contact the PCC Human Resources Office (Pueblo Campus – CA-112; 719.549.3220; to file discrimination and/or harassment complaints.

Definitions
Complainant(s): A person(s) who is subject to the alleged misconduct or related retaliation. For purposes of this procedure, a complainant can be a CCCS employee(s), student(s), authorized volunteer(s), guest(s), or visitor(s).

Respondent(s): A student whose alleged conduct is the subject of a complaint or incident.

Grievance: A grievable offense is any alleged action which violates or inequitably applies State Board Policies, System President’s Procedures, and College Procedures. The complainant must be personally affected by such violation or inequitable action.

Non-grievable matters: The following matters are not grievable under this procedure except as noted: matters over which the College is without authority to act; grades and other academic decisions unless there is an allegation that the decision was motivated by discrimination and/or harassment which should be filed under the appropriate Civil Rights Grievance and Investigation Process.

Dean of Students (DS): The PCC employee designated by the College to administer student grievances.

Notice: Notices which are required to be given by this procedure shall be considered served upon the student when given by personal delivery, mailing by certified mail, or emailing the student to their official College email address requesting a delivery receipt notification. If notice is mailed, student shall be given three (3) additional days to respond.

Day: Refers to working day unless otherwise noted below

Remedy: The relief that the Grievant is requesting.

Filing a Complaint
All complaints shall be made as promptly as possible after the occurrence. A delay in reporting may be reasonable under some circumstances; however, an unreasonable delay in reporting is an appropriate consideration in evaluating the merits of a complaint or report.

Procedures
Students must timely submit all grievances in writing. (The written grievance form is located on the PCC Portal under FORMS, “Student Grievance Incident Report Form”) to the Dean of Students. The grievance should clearly and concisely describe the alleged incident(s), when and where it occurred, and the desired remedy sought. The grievance should be signed by the initiator or, in the case of an email submission, sent as an email attachment, in letter format and should contain the name and all contact information for the grievant. Any supporting documentation and evidence should be referenced within the body of the formal grievance. Additionally, the initiator of a formal grievance should submit any supporting materials in writing as quickly as is practicable.
The complainant’s supporting documentation should clearly demonstrate all informal efforts, if any, to resolve the issue(s) with the person involved and the person’s supervisor. This includes names, dates and times of attempted or actual contact along with a description of the discussion, and the manner of communication made in the course of each effort. If contacting the person involved and/or the supervisor is impracticable, the complainant should state the reason(s) why a contact could not be made.

Pueblo Community College benefits from informal and formal procedures that encourage prompt resolution of complaints and concerns students may have about the implementation of policies and procedures that govern the institution.

**Formal Grievance Process**
Complainant must timely file a written statement of the actions complained of and describes the remedies he/she is seeking with the Dean of Students. A matter could also be referred to this process by the College President or his/her designee. Once a written grievance is filed or referred, the Dean of Students or designee will determine whether or not the situation states a grievable offense. The matter will be closed if the situation is determined not grievable and the Complainant will be notified of the reasons.

If the matter is determined to be grievable, the Dean of Students will request a meeting (hearing) with both the complainant and respondent. Both parties will be given the opportunity to discuss the allegations of the grievance and may offer any documentation, witnesses, or other materials in support of the complaint.

During this hearing, neither party may have a representative, including attorneys or law students (legal counsel). The only exception to this rule is if there is civil or criminal action(s) pending specifically related to this grievance, both parties may be represented by legal counsel during these proceedings. Under those limited exceptions, the legal counsel’s role shall be advisory only. The party represented by legal counsel must notify the Dean of Students forty-eight (48) hours in advance of any scheduled meeting so that the Dean of Students can notify the other party. These procedures are entirely administrative in nature and are not considered legal proceedings.

No audio or video recording of any kind other than as required by institutional procedure is permitted.

The Dean of Students may also contact or request a meeting with relevant college staff, students, or others as part of the investigation.

At the Dean of Student’s discretion, the Dean of Students may discontinue meetings with anyone who is causing a disruption to the process or is being uncooperative, and will proceed to make a determination based on the information known at that time.

Based on the preponderance of evidence, the Dean of Students shall issue a decision, in writing, to both the complainant and respondent. The decision shall reject or grant the grievance and make recommendation(s) to resolve the issue(s). The complainant and respondent shall be advised of his/her right to appeal the decision, subject to the grounds below, by filing a written appeal with the Dean of Students within seven (7) days of service of the Decision.

**Informal Grievance Process**
Complainant is encouraged to resolve the issue with the Respondent through the informal process. The Dean of Students shall facilitate the informal process. If the informal grievance process is unsuccessful, or if PCC or the complainant chooses not to pursue the informal process, the Dean of Students will open a formal grievance case.

**Appeals**
In the event of an appeal, the Dean of Students shall give written notice to the other party to allow him/her the opportunity to submit a response in writing. The Dean of Students will also draft a response memorandum (also shared with all parties). All appeals and responses are then forwarded to the appeals officer or committee for initial review to determine if the appeal is timely and meets the limited grounds for an appeal. The original finding will
stand if the appeal is not timely or substantively eligible, and the decision is final. If the appeal has standing, the documentation is forwarded for consideration. The party requesting the appeal must show error as the original finding is presumed to have been decided reasonably and appropriately. The ONLY grounds for an appeal are as follows:

1. A procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the hearing (e.g. substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures); or

2. To consider new evidence, unavailable during the original hearing or investigation, that could substantially impact the original finding. A summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included in the written appeal.

If the appeals officer or committee determines that new evidence should be considered, it will return the complaint to the Dean of Students to reconsider in light of the new evidence, only.

If the appeals officer or committee determines that a material procedural or substantive error occurred, it may return the complaint to the Dean of Students with instructions to reconvene the hearing to cure the error. In rare cases, where the procedural or substantive error cannot be cured by the Dean of Students in cases of bias, the appeals officer or committee may order a new hearing be held by a different individual acting in the place of the designated Dean of Students. The results of a reconvened hearing cannot be appealed. The results of a new hearing can be appealed, once, on the two applicable grounds for appeals.

State Complaint Process
Prior to filing a complaint with the Colorado Department of Higher Education (CDHE), students must follow the appeals process at Pueblo Community College. Complaints filed with the CDHE must be filed with the on-line student complaint form found on the website. CDHE will only consider complaints pertaining to statewide transfer and GT Pathways issues and the Student Bill of Rights. The CDHE does not have authority to resolve complaints between an individual and the institution including but not limited to: Academic freedom, admission decision, billing issues, curriculum content, grades, health insurance requirements, IHE’s Student Code of Conduct, issues of discrimination, quality of teaching, religious freedom, transcript holds, and tuition classification.

Special Grievance Process Provisions
- In the event the student is under the age of eighteen or incapacitated, he/she may have an advisor present to assist him/her in presenting his/her case.
- The Parties do not have the right to be represented by legal counsel during these proceedings except in the case where civil or criminal actions concerning the grievance are pending and in that case the legal counsel’s role shall be advisory only. The party represented by legal counsel must notify the Dean of Students forty-eight (48) hours in advance of any scheduled meeting so that the Dean of Students can notify the other party.
- The student is responsible for presenting his/her own case and, therefore, advisors are not permitted to speak or to participate directly in any hearing except when the student is under the age of eighteen or incapacitated.
- Student shall have the right to identify documents, witnesses and other material he/she would like the Dean of Students to review before making a final decision.
- Any hearing held shall be conducted in private unless all parties agree otherwise.
- A record of the hearing will be maintained by the Dean of Students.
- If student has a disability and would like to request an accommodation to assist him/her through the grievance process they may do so by informing the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will then work with disability support services to accommodate the request.
- If the grievance is against the Dean of Students, the Chief Academic Officer, or other person designated by the President shall perform the duties of the Dean of Students.
• Jurisdiction-College grievance proceedings may be instituted over incidences that occur or are related to the College or college-sanctioned activities or was of such a nature to impact upon the College.
• Proceedings under this procedure may be carried out prior to, simultaneously with, or following civil or criminal proceedings off-campus.
• Standard of proof-the College will use the preponderance of evidence standard in the grievance proceedings, meaning, the College will determine, whether it is more likely than not, if the complainant was subjected to inequity as it applies to Board Policies, System President’s Procedures, or College procedures.
• False Reports-the College will not tolerate intentional false reporting of incidents. False reporting could lead to disciplinary action, up to and including termination for employees, and expulsion for students.
• For students, false reports will be considered a violation of the College Student Code of Conduct.
• The procedural rights afforded to students above may be waived by the student.

Retaliatory Acts
Included but not limited to intimidation, verbal or physical threats, harassment, coercion, or other adverse action(s) against a person who reports an incident of misconduct to include retaliatory acts via proxy.

If any person who files a grievance, or any person who testifies, assists, or participates in a proceeding, investigation or hearing relating to such grievance, feels they are being subjected to retaliatory acts may report such incidences to the Dean of Students.

It is a violation of the grievance procedure to engage in retaliatory acts against any person who files a grievance or any person who testifies, assists, or participates in the grievance proceeding, investigation, or hearing relating to such grievance. Such act will be subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion for students, termination for PCC employees, and dismissal for authorized volunteers, guests, or visitors.

Revising this Procedure
Pueblo Community College reserves the right to change any provision or requirement of this procedure at any time and the change shall become effective immediately.
DISCIPLINE RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The sequence of the following policies is not intended to imply an order of importance of significance to Pueblo Community College. Any violation of the following policies will subject a student to disciplinary action.

Campus Prohibited Access
The following individuals may be prohibited from entering upon land or buildings owned or used by Pueblo Community College:

- Persons charged with criminal acts against Pueblo Community College or PCC students, or employees pending criminal charges.
- Persons found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction of criminal acts against Pueblo Community College or PCC students, or employees.
- Any individual whose presence on campus constitutes a clear and present danger to the persons, property, or peace of Pueblo Community College or PCC students, employees, or agents (contractors).
- Any individual whose presence on campus, given all attendant circumstances, could reasonably cause injury against the persons or property of Pueblo Community College, PCC students, or employees.

Any violation of such prohibition may result in legal action by Pueblo Community College against the individual, including such criminal charges as may be appropriate under the circumstances, including criminal trespass.

Computers: Electronic Communication
The College has adopted the following policy in concert with Board Policy 3-125 to guide usage of all forms of electronic communication as an employer and owner of the computer system at PCC. The policy applies to faculty, staff, students, and other authorized persons granted computer access at PCC. For purposes of this policy statement, electronic communications includes but is not limited to electronic mail, internet services, voice mail, use of all telephones, audio and video conferencing, and facsimile messages that are sent or received by faculty, staff, students, and other authorized users of College resources.

Ownership of Electronic Communication and Permissible Uses
The College provides various forms of electronic communication for the purpose of conducting academic pursuits and other College business. The records created are the property of the College, not of the individuals sending or receiving such messages. Individuals who are authorized to utilize electronic and voice mail may make incidental and occasional personal use of these facilities when such use does not generate a direct cost for the College. In doing so, users acknowledge the College’s ownership of the systems and its rights with regard to use.

Prohibited Uses
Prohibited uses include but are not limited to:

- Using a computer account that one is not authorized to use.
- Allowing another to use one's computer account.
- Obtaining a password for a computer account without the consent of the account owner.
- Using the College network to gain unauthorized access to any computer system.
- Knowingly performing an act that will interfere with the normal operation of computers, terminals, peripherals, or networks.
- Unauthorized duplication of College or College-owned software.
g. Knowingly running or installing on any computer system or network, or giving to another user, a program intended to damage or to place excessive load on a computer system or network. This includes, but is not limited to, programs known as computer viruses, Trojan horses, and worms.

h. Attempting to circumvent data protection schemes or uncover security loopholes.

i. Violating terms of applicable software licensing agreements or copyright laws.

j. Deliberately wasting computing resources.

k. Using electronic mail to harass others.

l. Using electronic mail for personal gain or profit, or for partisan political purposes.

m. Masking the identity of an account or machine.

n. Posting materials on electronic bulletin boards that violate existing laws or the College's Student Code of Conduct.

o. Misuse of computer resources that creates a hostile environment, including, but not limited to, accessing sexually explicit materials, and accessing ethnic and/or racial hate materials.

p. Attempting to monitor or tamper with another user’s electronic communications, or reading, copying, changing or deleting another’s files or software without the explicit agreement of the owner.

Activities will not be considered misuse when authorized by appropriate College officials for security or performance testing.

**Restrictive Access**

- Pueblo Community College provides educational programs for matriculated students and also offers social and cultural programs for students and community members. In order to establish an appropriate educational environment and preserve College property for educational purposes, the College reserves the right to restrict access to lands and facilities that are under the control of PCC.

- The Business Officer shall oversee the access and usage of facilities and lands for educational and non-instructional purposes related to students and the general public. All activities must be scheduled and authorized and facilities/grounds must be used according to College rules and regulations.

- No individual(s) shall temporarily or permanently remain overnight on the property owned or used by Pueblo Community College, or dwell on the property owned or used by Pueblo Community College, including but not limited to, in motor vehicles, or in temporary or permanent structures, without the specific prior approval of the Business Officer or his/her designee.

- Members of the campus community, as well as visitors, are expected to behave in ways that do not interfere with the educational process at PCC. Pueblo Community College prohibits individual behavior that interferes with, disrupts, impairs, or obstructs the processes, procedures, or functions of the College. Failure to comply with this policy could subject the individual to warning, probation, removal from the campus, arrest, barring from the campus, or any other sanctions applicable under the Student Code of Conduct, College Personnel Policies, or state, or federal laws. The Business Officer or his/her designee will initiate actions to be taken under this policy.

**College Access and Disclosure**

The College does not back-up or archive the contents of e-mail messages. An individual’s e-mail messages may be required to be disclosed as a result of legal discovery, writ, warrant, or subpoena, or as a result of a request under the Colorado Open Records Law. The College will not monitor electronic communication as a routine matter. Message contents will be inspected as needed to protect health and safety or security.

**Disciplinary Action**

If a violation of policy is suspected, Computer Services staff will refer the matter to appropriate authorities such as the Public Safety Office or local law enforcement, the Human Resource Office, and the Chief Student Services Officer through the Dean of Students. If a condition exists where Computer Services personnel feel there is a need
for immediate action, that action (account deactivation, etc.) will be taken, then the matter will be referred to the authorities listed above. These cases will be limited to instances involving safety, security, or other matters of an emergency nature.

Copyright

Pueblo Community College and the State Board seeks to provide an environment in which faculty and other employees can discover, examine critically, preserve and transmit the knowledge and wisdom which will help to improve the quality of life for present and future generations. The rights of the Board and its employees as well as the students concerning production, ownership, and use of copyright and patentable materials are controlled in Board Policy 3-90 and PCC adheres to these standards.

Pueblo Community College implemented the “Digital Copyright Compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA)” policy in July 2010 as stated in PCC President’s Policy 208.26. Among the provisions of HEOA and the PCC policy are the following:

- To disclose to students copyright laws so as to educate students regarding the illegal distribution and use of copyrighted materials.
- To inform students of the criminal and civil penalties associated with illegal distribution and use of copyrighted materials.
- To address, reduce, and eliminate the illegal uploading and downloading of copyrighted works through peer-to-peer (P2P) file sharing.

In addition to complying with this policy,

- All members of Pueblo Community College, including students, are also bound by local, state, and federal laws relating to copyrights, security, and other statutes and laws regarding electronic media.
- All users must comply with software licenses, copyrights, and all other state and federal laws governing software licensing and intellectual property.
- Examples of prohibited activities on PCC computers and through the PCC computing system include but are not limited to:
  - Unauthorized copying of copyrighted material including but not limited to digitization and distribution of copyrighted photographs, music, videotapes, books, or other copyrighted sources and copyrighted software.

College sanctions for those found in violation of this policy will include but not be limited to:

- Disciplinary Warning, Probation, and Suspension.
- Restriction and cancelation of internet privileges.
- Restriction and cancelation of computer privileges on campus, including restriction and cancelation of access to the PCC wireless system.

Drug & Alcohol

Pueblo Community College is a state system community college governed by the Colorado Community College System (CCCS). The Board Policy (BP 3-24) requires the College to comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Amendment of 1989 (PL 101-226). In order to comply with this law, Pueblo Community College will distribute to each student and employee, on an annual basis, a publication that will include the following:
i. Standards of conduct
ii. Legal sanctions for unlawful possession or distribution of illegal drugs and alcohol
iii. Health risks associated with the abuse of alcohol and the use of illegal drugs
iv. Available counseling, treatment, and rehabilitation programs

Pueblo Community College strictly prohibits unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, use/abuse of alcohol and/or illegal substances at any buildings or lands owned or used by PCC.

**Drug & Alcohol Policy Statement**

Pueblo Community College is committed to the health and well-being of its students and employees. As part of this commitment, PCC complies with and upholds all federal, state, and local laws that regulate or prohibit the possession, use or distribution of alcohol or illegal drugs. Violations of such laws that come to the attention of College officials will be addressed within the College or through prosecution in the courts, or both. Students violating this policy are subject to disciplinary suspension and/or expulsion from the College.

As a recipient of federal grants and contracts, PCC adheres to the provisions of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989. Also, as a member of the Community Colleges of Colorado, PCC adheres to the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education BP 3-24, Drug-Free Workplace Policy.

Accordingly, all PCC full-time and part-time students and employees are hereby notified of the standards of conduct that PCC will apply to all activities conducted on College-owned or College-controlled property and to all other College-sponsored activities.

**Marijuana – Amendment 64**

Although possession and use of marijuana, consistent with the requirements of the Colorado Constitution is no longer a crime in the State of Colorado, the possession and use of marijuana remains illegal under federal law. Consistent with federal law, including the Controlled Substance Act and the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, the use and/or possession of marijuana, even if the student has a medicinal card, continues to be prohibited while a student is on college owned or college controlled property, and/or at any function authorized or supervised by the College and/or in state owned or state leased vehicles.

**Sanctions for Drug & Alcohol Use**

- Local, state, and federal laws make illegal use of drugs and alcohol serious crimes. Convictions can lead to imprisonment, fines, and assigned community service.
- In order to assure fair and consistent treatment of all students or employees who are accused of illegal use of drugs and alcohol, the College will handle all cases which come to its attention within the guidelines of the applicable policies and procedures of the College as well as local, state, and federal regulations.
- Sanctions will be imposed on students or employees who violated State Board or College drug and/or alcohol policies. Sanctions may include up to suspension or expulsion for students and, for employees, disciplinary action up to and including termination.
- Additionally, to encourage students to seek medical assistance for themselves and/or others in the event of life threatening circumstances from alcohol and/or other drugs and in the spirit of the Colorado revised statute 18-13-122 (listed below), students may be eligible (in the student conduct process) for medical amnesty if they proactively call 911 and/or Public Safety for help. The primary PCC administrator responsible for student conduct concerns (or their designee) may grant medical amnesty for the reporting student and/or student impacted by life threatening circumstances (from alcohol and/or drugs) may not be subject to disciplinary sanctions but may have educational sanctions in the student conduct process.

**Laws Related to Drug & Alcohol Use and Sale**

Pueblo Community College will take immediate action if any student or employee is violating a law related to the use and sale of alcohol and/or drugs.
The possession, sale, and use of any illegal drug are strictly prohibited on the PCC Campus. This includes the use, sale, or distribution of marijuana on campus. Any violations will be immediately referred to the Pueblo County Sheriff’s Office. Alcohol sale, use, and possession are dictated by Colorado law and PCC Policies and Procedures and will be strictly enforced. The following applies to all students, employees, and guests of the College:

- The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited except in designated areas, at times and dates approved by PCC Administrators and licensed by the Colorado State Department of Revenue.
- Persons under 21 years of age cannot legally possess or consume malt (6 percent beer), fermented malt liquor (3.2 percent beer), vinous, or spirituous liquor. The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to under-age persons is prohibited.
- No person under legal drinking age or any obviously intoxicated person shall be furnished, served, or given an alcoholic beverage.
- Alcohol cannot be consumed or carried in open containers on any street, sidewalk, alley, automobile, or public area.

**Colorado Revised Statute 18-13-122:**

(7) (a) An underage person is immune from arrest and prosecution under this section if he or she establishes the following:

(I) The underage person called 911 and reported in good faith that another underage person was in need of medical assistance due to alcohol or marijuana consumption;

(II) The underage person who called 911 provided his or her name to the 911 operator;

(III) The underage person was the first person to make the 911 report; and

(IV) The underage person who made the 911 call remained on the scene with the underage person in need of medical assistance until assistance arrived and cooperated with medical assistance or law enforcement personnel on the scene.

(b) The immunity described in paragraph (a) of this subsection (7) also extends to the underage person who was in need of medical assistance due to alcohol or marijuana consumption if the conditions of said paragraph (a) are satisfied.

**Health Risks**

There are definite health risks associated with the use of alcohol and illegal substances. Alcohol or any other drug used in excess over time can produce illness, disability, and death. The health consequences of substance abuse may be immediate and unpredictable, such as cardiac arrest with cocaine use, or more subtle and long term, such as liver deterioration, associated with the prolonged use of alcohol.

Among the risks are the following:

**Alcohol Use & Abuse**

Alcohol consumption causes a number of marked changes in behavior. Even low doses significantly impair the judgment and coordination required to drive a car safely, increasing the likelihood of a traffic accident. Moderate to high doses of alcohol cause marked impairments in higher mental functions, severely altering a person’s ability to learn and remember information.

Alcohol use also affects the body. Repeated use can lead to dependence. Long-term consumption can lead to permanent damage to vital organs such as the brain and liver.

Mothers who drink during pregnancy may give birth to infants with fetal alcohol syndrome. These infants may have irreversible physical abnormalities and mental challenges. In addition, research indicates that children of alcoholic parents are at greater risk than others of becoming alcoholics themselves.
Controlled Substance Abuse
Controlled substance abuse causes varied physical and psychological reactions that can be permanent or temporary. Excessive drug use (depending on the drug) can cause respiratory depression, nausea, slurred speech, disorientation, drunken behavior, increased alertness, excitation, euphoria, increased pulse rate and blood pressure, insomnia, loss of appetite, illusions and hallucinations, and poor perception of time and distance.

Effects of drug overdose (depending on the drug) can result in slow and shallow breathing, clammy skin, convulsions or seizures, weak and rapid pulse, agitation, increased body temperature, hallucinations, psychosis, fatigue, paranoia, coma, and possible death.

Other concerns relating to substance abuse include the following:

1. Regular users of alcohol and other drugs often have erratic life styles which interfere with sleep, nutrition, and exercise.
2. Alcohol and substance use and abuse may lead to financial difficulties, domestic violence, deterioration of the family structure, motor vehicle accident injuries, and reduced job performance.
3. Repeated use of alcohol and other drugs can lead to dependence and addiction.
4. Binge or excessive drinking can lead to alcohol poisoning, which can be fatal.

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Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act
The federal Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 (CSCPA), which became law October 28, 2000, but which delayed certain provisions until October 28, 2002, amends the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act.

CSCPA provides special requirements relating to registration and community notification for sex offenders who are enrolled in or work at institutions of higher education. In addition to the Wetterling Act, CSCPA also amended the Clery Act, an annual crime reporting law, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) to allow the disclosure of this information regarding students.

As provided in the Wetterling Act, any person required to register under a state sex offender registration program must notify the state regarding each institution of higher education in the state of which the person is employed, carries on a vocation, or is a student and must also alert the state of any change in enrollment or employment status. In the state of Colorado, convicted sex offenders must register with the Colorado Sex Offender site maintained by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation. In accordance to the CSCPA, Pueblo Community College is providing a link to the Colorado Sex Offender Registry.

Pueblo Community College strongly recommends that all registered sex offenders contact the Pueblo Community College Police Department prior to enrolling at PCC.

The Colorado Sex Offender Registry Law is available via Internet pursuant to Colorado Revised Statute 16:22-110. Registry information provided under this section shall be used for the purposes of the administration of criminal justice, screening of current or prospective employees, volunteers or otherwise for the protection of the public in general and children in particular. Unlawful use of the information for purposes of intimidating or harassing another is prohibited and willful violation shall be punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor.

Persons seeking information about registered sex offenders residing within a specific geographic area which serves any PCC campus may contact their local police or sheriff’s office.
LOCAL POLICE & SHERIFF DEPARTMENTS

Pueblo Campus:
Pueblo Police Department  Pueblo County Sheriff’s Department
200 South Main  909 Court
Pueblo, CO 81003  Pueblo, CO 81003
719.553.2502  719.583.6125

Fremont Campus:
Cañon City Police Department  Fremont County Sheriff’s Department
816 Royal Gorge Blvd.  100 Justice Center Road
Cañon City, CO 81212  Cañon City, CO 81212
719.276.5600  719.276.5555

PCC Southwest Campus – Cortez:
Cortez Police Department  Montezuma County Sheriff’s Department
601 N. Mildred Road  601 N. Mildred Road
Cortez, CO 81321  Cortez, CO 81321
970.565.8441  970.565.8444

PCC Southwest Site – Durango:
Durango Police Department  La Plata County Sheriff’s Department
221 Turner Drive  742 Turner Drive
Durango, CO 81301  Durango, CO 81301
970.385.2900  970.247.1157

PCC Bayfield Site:
Bayfield Marshal’s Office
1199 Bayfield Parkway
Bayfield, CO 81122
970.884.9544

Children on Campus
Pueblo Community College is an educational institution that offers supervised educational and recreational events on campus for adults as well as children. Pueblo Community College strives to provide a healthy academic environment where students, staff, faculty, and administrators can expect to attend and teach class, or complete work or projects in laboratories, libraries, offices, and other work places with a minimum of distractions or interruptions. To ensure that the appropriate academic environment is maintained, PCC has adopted the following regulations that will be enforced by the appropriate administrative supervisor:

- Children may not attend a class in session without the prior approval of the class instructor.
- Children visiting campus must be closely supervised by an adult at all times.
- Children will be prohibited from entering dangerous settings such as labs and equipment rooms without the approval of the appropriate dean or administrative supervisor.
- Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult in any Learning Center, computer laboratory, or Library.
- Children will be subject to the usage restrictions/privileges specific to individual facilities.
- Recreation Center – Concurrent Enrollment students attending PCC are allowed to use the Recreation Center with written permission by their parents. All others under the age of 18 are not permitted in the Center.
- Children under the care of the instructor may not attend class without the prior approval of the immediate supervisor.
• Children may, on rare occasions and with the approval of the supervisor, accompany a parent to the workplace. However, the expectation is that parents will make alternate arrangements for the care of their children during normal working hours.

• Children taking part in programs and/or special events on campus are expected to abide by the rules and regulations established by the program or event sponsors.

Policy on Minors
Pueblo Community College (PCC) is committed to the safety and protection of minors and establishes guidelines to promote the safety and wellbeing of these individuals. This policy applies to all faculty, staff, volunteers, visiting scholars and students representing PCC that are interacting with minors as a function of their role at PCC (this group will be referenced as “PCC staff”).

Under Colorado State Statute, a minor (specifically referenced as “child” in the statute) refers to an individual under the age of 18. This policy is intended to help protect minors whose health and welfare are adversely affected while participating in a PCC program/event and in the care of PCC staff.

PCC staff should be vigilant to observe the physical and emotional state of the minors that participate in a PCC program/event. Any signs of injury that a minor has sustained should be promptly reported to the PCC program/event director, to the applicable PCC Public Safety office (contact information listed at the end of the policy), and senior student services staff at the campus for the next appropriate steps.

Additionally, anyone who knows or suspects abuse or neglect of minors may also notify the 24 hour reporting line for Colorado 1.844.264.5437.

Below are general procedures meant to help guide those involved with PCC pre-college programs/events in cases where the program does not have its own program specific procedures in place.

Two Adult Rule – Avoid situations in which you are alone with a minor. When it is necessary to speak privately with a minor, find a place within sight of others for your conference. This includes not transporting minors alone in your car unless doing so is an acknowledged component of a program/event (i.e. with parent permission, parameter of the program/event, arrangement of program/event director, etc.).

Privacy – The privacy of minors in situations such as toileting, showering and changing clothes should be respected. When it is necessary to supervise minors in these situations, at least two adults should be present and intrude only to the extent that the health and safety of the minors require. Adults should preserve their own privacy in these situations as well.

Mentoring – Mentoring programs that involve private instruction (tutoring, laboratory, music instruction, etc.) when there is only one adult present must take place in a room or other space that is in full view from outside the room when the door is closed. A window opening must exist and allow full view into the room. Minors should never be taken to a private residence.

Hugging – When hugging is appropriate, hug from the side over the shoulders, not from the front. Always avoid touching areas that are normally covered by swimming suits.

Overnight – When supervising overnight activities, adults should not share sleeping quarters with minors. Male and female minors should not sleep in the same room.

Constructive Discipline – Discipline used should be constructive, not humiliating or isolating in the appropriate setting (i.e. not publicly, etc.). Do not use corporal punishment in any form – never spank, slap, hit, etc.

Cameras – While most of us use cameras and other imaging devices responsibly, it is very easy to invade the privacy of individuals. It is inappropriate to use any device capable of recording and transmitting visual images in shower areas, restrooms, or other areas where privacy is expected by participants.

Hazing Prohibited – Hazing initiations are prohibited and may not be included as part of any activity.

Bullying Prohibited – Verbal, physical, and cyber bullying are prohibited.

Any area underlined is a hyperlink which will direct you to a website.
You must report incidents involving sexual or physical abuse or neglect of a minor immediately; please refer to reporting information (listed above).

STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE POLICY (INTERACTING WITH MINORS):

I WILL:

• Follow the rules and guidelines in this policy while interacting with minors who participate in PCC programs/events.

• I understand that as a person who interacts with minors under the auspices of Pueblo Community College, I may be required to undergo a criminal history background check with results acceptable to PCC.

• I understand that if I am currently enrolled as a student at the College, I hereby consent to have my disciplinary case history reviewed with results acceptable to PCC and the program/event director.

• Unless my paid or volunteer position requires otherwise, I will never to be alone with a minor (or minors) at PCC activities without notifying another adult and asking the adult for assistance.

• If I am alone with a minor, I will utilize buddy systems and pursue safety in numbers when another adult is not available to help, e.g. a child who needs to be excused during a group activity will be accompanied by another child of the same sex.

• I will maintain appropriate physical boundaries at all times. I will touch children only when necessary in ways that are appropriate, public, and non-sexual.

• I will treat everyone with respect, loyalty, patience, integrity, courtesy and dignity.

• I will use positive reinforcement rather than criticism or comparison when working with minors.

I WILL NOT:

• I will not touch or speak to a minor (or minors) in a sexual or other inappropriate manner.

• I will not inflict any physical or emotional abuse such as striking, humiliating, ridiculing, or degrading minors.

• I will not use, possess, or be under the influence of tobacco, alcohol or illegal drugs at any time while working with minors.

• I will not provide transportation to a minor (or minors) unless doing so is an acknowledged component of a program/event (i.e. with parent permission, parameter of the program/event, arrangement of program/event director, etc.).

• I will not accept or give gifts to minors without the knowledge of their parents or guardians.

• I will not engage in private communications with minors via text messaging, email, Facebook, Twitter or the like except for activities strictly involving PCC business.

• I will not use profanity in the presence of children and/or youth at any time.

Reporting of Possible Abuse of a Minor:

PCC staff should be vigilant to observe the physical and emotional state of the minors that participate in a PCC program/event. Any signs of injury that a minor has sustained should be promptly reported to the PCC program/event director, to the applicable PCC Public Safety office (listed below), and senior student services staff at the campus for the next appropriate steps.

Additionally, anyone who knows or suspects abuse or neglect of minors may also notify the 24 hour reporting line for Colorado 1.844.264.5437.
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Complaint Procedures
Anyone taking courses at Pueblo Community College who has filed a written complaint (above) and wishes to pursue the complaint further may:

1. Follow the PCC grievance procedure, which is defined in this handbook. A person may also contact the Higher Learning Commission, which is the College’s accrediting agency.

2. Students residing outside of Colorado while taking classes at Pueblo Community College can, in many cases, file a complaint in the state where they reside. As required by federal regulations, this is a list of agencies in each state where complaints can be filed.

NOTE: Pueblo Community College does not tolerate false reporting. Any person found to have purposefully reported false information may be subject to disciplinary and/or criminal action.

Course Enrollment

Dropping Courses
If a regular course is dropped during the refund period listed on the Portal, the student will not be charged for the course and the dropped course will not appear on the student’s permanent record. Students may drop short courses, mini-courses, or special-length courses without penalty before 15 percent of the course duration has passed.

Courses may be added or dropped in one of two ways:

- Visit any campus registration station. To add or drop a class in person, students must submit a signed schedule adjustment form.
- Log on to myPCC Portal.

For add and drop deadlines for special-length courses, contact any registration station or the Admissions & Records Offices, or refer to the class schedule/bill you received at the time you register for course(s).

A student will be identified as a “no-show” and dropped from the course if he or she has not attended any class sessions between the start of the course and the census date. Students will receive a full refund. Physical attendance is where there is a substantive opportunity for direct interaction between the instructor and the student. Students who may encounter unusual or extenuating circumstances may request a late drop after census. Extemuating circumstances may be military activation or TDY orders, health reasons, job changes and/or death in the family, to name a few. Normally, in these circumstances, a tuition credit request process is started; the student completes a form and submits this form along with documentation of the extenuating circumstances to the records clerk. The tuition credit request committee meets monthly to review student appeals and has the authority to approve or deny the appeal. Students may re-appeal a denial with the Registrar. Students may only appeal a drop within a calendar year of the term in question and with limited exceptions, only if a balance due was caused by withdrawals from classes. For a statement about PCC’s refund policy, see the Tuition and Fees section of the PCC college catalog or the current PCC Schedule of Classes.

Withdrawing from Courses
PCC has instituted the following policy on class withdrawals. It is the student’s responsibility to initiate all withdrawals (from a course or the college) after meeting with their instructor. After meeting with their instructor, students should contact the financial aid office, and initiate the process electronically or go to the college “GoZone” for assistance. Faculty will not withdraw students for lack of attendance but issue the appropriate grade earned by the student at the end of the semester. Departments are expected to maintain clear attendance policies at the course/program level and convey those standards to students.

Distribution of Printed Materials
Unauthorized distribution of printed materials and publications on campus is strictly prohibited, including handing out materials and putting information on car windshields. Written information may be disseminated on the PCC campus at designated locations by individual students, employees, or recognized student organizations.
NOTE: When posting information on campus, it must be related directly to the College and should have the statement "This event is sponsored or co-sponsored by Pueblo Community College" or just "Pueblo Community College" typed on the top of the flyer or poster. All advertising of events by students, faculty, and staff must be related to the everyday scope of the institution. Posters and announcements for legitimate academic activities at other colleges may be posted on bulletin boards in classroom buildings and the Student Center.

A service, event, or activity, must use the bulletin boards provided throughout the campus, and must be approved by the Welcome Center or his/her designee located in the Student Center, lower level.

Written information may only be posted in approved locations. Approved locations for posted materials may be acquired from the Welcome Center or his/her designee. Permission to use building bulletin boards is at the discretion of the Welcome Center as appointed by the Chief Student Services Officer. Designees will be assigned the responsibility to approve posting printed materials. All posted materials must additionally conform to facility operating policies where they exist, i.e., Student Center, Dr. Mike Davis Academic Building, and other campus buildings. Questions related to the interpretation of this policy will be directed to the Chief Student Services office.

Anyone who wishes to publicize the sale of textbooks may do so with permission from the Welcome Center, and may only post them on the community boards located in the Student Center across from Pueblo Joe’s and the Dr. Mike Davis Academic Building.

Political posters and signs may not be posted at any location on any PCC campus except during an organized event that has been approved by the College.

Written materials may not be placed in non-approved locations, including but not limited to walls, glass, doors, floors, or any part of a college building or structure, traffic sign, power pole, sidewalk, or tree. Printed materials will not be placed on automobiles. Temporary directions or signs for a convention, tour, or other special events may be placed on single stakes but must be removed by the sponsoring group as soon as the event is over.

To post flyers at the PCC Fremont Campus, please drop off the flyers in the Go!Zone front office. The Director of Student Services will determine if the flyers are appropriate to post and will stamp each flyer approved for posting. Go!Zone employees will then post the flyer in the approved areas. Any flyer that has been posted on campus without being given to the Go!Zone for review will be removed.

Lactation Policy
Policy Goals and Summary
Pueblo Community College intends to fully comply with the Breastfeeding in Public Act (Colorado Revised statute 25-6-302) which establishes that a mother may breastfeed in any place she has a right to be and the Colorado Workplace Accommodations for Nursing Mothers Act (Colorado Revised Statutes §8-13.5-101 through 104) which recognizes the importance of workplace accommodations for nursing mothers by requiring the provision of reasonable break periods and a private location for the expression of breast milk up to two years after the child’s birth.

PCC is committed to creating and maintaining a community where all individuals enjoy freedom from discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of sex, as mandated by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. Sex discrimination, which can include discrimination based on pregnancy and related medical conditions is prohibited and illegal in admissions, educational programs and activities, hiring, leave policies, and health insurance coverage.

Policy Text
(1) Scope:
This policy is applicable to all PCC students.

(2) Definitions:
For the purposes of this policy:
a. The terms “breastfeeding students,” “nursing students,” and “lactating students” are used interchangeably and intended to include any student who expresses milk for the nourishment of their child.
b. “Medical necessity” is a determination made by a health care provider of a student’s choosing.
c. “Reasonable accommodations” for the purposes of this policy are changes in the academic environment or typical operations that enable a lactating student or student with a lactation-related condition to continue to pursue her studies and enjoy equal benefits of the College.
d. “Absence” from class includes tardiness or a break for the expression of breast milk within a class period.

(3) Designated Lactation Space on the Pueblo Campus:
   a. PCC shall provide a clean, private room on campus that is easily accessible to nursing students – Central Administration Building Room 004. Restrooms may not be classified as designated lactation spaces.
   b. The designated lactation space shall be equipped with a table, chair, electrical outlet, window coverings (as needed), and a cypher lock.
   c. PCC shall make the location of the available lactation room accessible online, providing the locations and the details of each room, including the operation hours, how to gain access, and whether the space is fully private or potentially shared.

(4) Lactation Breaks:
   a. Students will make reasonable efforts to pump between classes or outside of instruction time.
   b. Breastfeeding students who must pump during a portion their class period shall inform the instructor of the need and estimated time away from class as soon as possible.
   c. Instructors are prohibited from penalizing breastfeeding students for their absence needed to express breast milk on campus.
   d. Instructors and students shall work together to identify solutions for making up in-class work or participation credits, as well as instruction missed.
   e. If problems arise, or a student must miss class for longer periods of time due to medical necessity, the student or instructor may contact the Chief Student Services Officer for assistance establishing reasonable accommodations.

(5) Breastfeeding:
Breastfeeding is permitted at any classroom, campus building, or space that the breastfeeding student and infant/child are otherwise permitted to be present.

(6) Freedom from Discrimination and Harassment:
PCC prohibits harassment or other discrimination against students based on their lactation, as a condition related to sex. Harassment or discrimination related to breastfeeding and lactation may be referred to the Chief Human Resources Officer for appropriate action.

(7) Compliance:
   a. Reporting - Any member of the PCC community may report a violation of this Policy to any supervisor, instructor, or Title IX Officer. Supervisors and instructors are responsible for promptly forwarding such reports to the Title IX office.
   b. Grievance process - Individuals who believe that they have not been permitted to access the benefits of this policy, may appeal via the established Grievance processes.

(8) Dissemination:
PCC shall make this policy available to all College faculty, instructors, staff, and students. All faculty and instructors are responsible for being aware of this policy and working with breastfeeding students to arrange lactation accommodations. The Chief Student Services Officer will be responsible for distributing this policy to the College community and responding to any questions concerning the policy by students.

Any area underlined is a hyperlink which will direct you to a website.
Questions regarding this policy may be directed to the Chief Student Services Officer.

**Procedure**

A student who desires to have a private location in which to express breast milk on the Pueblo Campus will have access to the centrally located Central Administration Building, Room 004. This room is private and secured with a cypher lock. Students wishing to utilize this location must first notify the Student Services office to sign up and receive the combination.

As a secondary location should one be needed, students may utilize the Health Center Facilities and must notify the clinic in advance of their need and schedule time to utilize the facility. Students at branch campuses shall notify the branch campus dean who will work with the Facilities and the Chief Student Services Officer or designee to identify an appropriate location.

Access will be granted on a term-by-term basis. Students will need to contact the Chief Student Services Office before the end of each term to request access for all subsequent terms.

Please be sure to leave the room in the same condition it was when you entered and report any issues or concerns to the Chief Student Services Officer.

It is our responsibility to ensure that only you are accessing the lactation rooms. Do not give the combination to anyone else to gain access to this room.

**PCC Participates in Safe2Tell**

Safe2Tell® provides YOUNG people a way to report any threatening behaviors or activities endangering themselves or someone they know, in a way that keeps them safe and anonymous. To submit a tip call 1.877.542.SAFE (7233) or visit the website.

**Sexual Harassment**

Sexual harassment is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when one or more of the following criteria are met:

1. Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or of academic status in course, program, or activity.
2. Submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment or academic educational decisions affecting such individual.
3. Such conduct is sufficiently severe, persistent, or pervasive to have the purpose for effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work/academic performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working/learning environment.

Matters having sexual connotation, which arise as part of the legitimate educational curricula and do not exploit students to a private advantage would not violate college policy unless used in an improper manner. Examples of sexual harassment may include, but are not necessarily limited to:

1. Physical assault
2. Direct or implied threats that submissions to sexual advances will be a condition of employment, work status, promotion, grades, or letter of recommendation
3. Direct propositions of a sexual nature
4. Subtle pressure for sexual activity
5. A pattern of conduct intended to discomfort or humiliate, or both, a reasonable person at whom the conduct was directed that includes one or more of the following:
   i. Touching, patting, hugging, or brushing against a person's body
   ii. Remarks of a sexual nature about a person’s clothing or body
   iii. Remarks about sexual activity or speculation about previous sexual experience
   iv. The display in the work or educational arena of sexually suggestive objects or pictures

The College is committed to upholding this policy prohibiting sexual harassment. Violation of this policy may be grounds for dismissal. While it is the purpose of this policy to protect all persons associated with the College from sexual harassment, it shall also be a violation of this policy to knowingly make false allegations of sexual harassment.

Individuals who feel that they have been subjected to sexual harassment and are in need of further information as to the procedures, may contact the Chief Human Resources Officer, 900 West Orman Avenue, Central Administration, Room 112, Pueblo, CO 81004; Phone: 719.549.3220. All matters involving sexual harassment complaints are taken seriously and shall be investigated. Complaints shall remain confidential to the extent possible. Filing of a complaint or otherwise reporting sexual harassment shall not reflect upon the individual's status or affect future employment, work assignments, or grades.

**Sexual Misconduct**

Sexual misconduct, including but not limited to sexual assault, sexual abuse, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, by any member of the College community is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. The College will respond in a firm and judicious manner to all reports of alleged incidents of sexual misconduct.

**Definitions:**

**Sexual assault** is defined as sexual penetration by use of force or threat of force, or by taking advantage of a victim's helplessness (C.R.S. 18-3-402). **Sexual abuse** is defined as an act of a sexual nature not covered under sexual assault and which includes but may not be limited to fondling and touching of sexual body parts without consent. **Domestic violence** is defined as an act or threatened act of violence upon a person with whom the actor is or has been involved in an intimate relationship, or any other crime against a person, or against property, including an animal, or any municipal ordinance violation against a person, or against property, including an animal, when used as a method of coercion, control, punishment, intimidation, or revenge directed against a person with whom the actor is or has been involved in an intimate relationship. (C.R.S.18-6-800.3). **Dating violence** is defined as the physical, sexual, or psychological/emotional violence within a dating relationship. **Stalking** is defined as making a credible threat to another person and/or repeatedly follows, approaches, contacts, or places under surveillance that person, a member of that person’s immediate family, or someone with whom that person has or has had a continuing relationship (C.R.S. 18-3-602). **Consent** is defined as cooperation in act or attitude pursuant to an exercise of free will and with knowledge of the nature of the act. A current or previous relationship shall not be sufficient to constitute consent. Submission under the influence of fear shall not constitute consent (C.R.S.18-3-401[1.5]).

**Reporting:** Alleged victims of sexual misconduct or persons with knowledge of such incidents should file a report immediately at the Pueblo Campus: contact Pueblo Community College Police Dept., Student Center, Room 160 - 719.549.3355; Fremont Campus: contact Sterling Jenkins, Police Dept. – Room FC-A115 - 719.296.6130; PCC Southwest Campus and Sites: contact Interim Regional Director, Academic Services; Perry Pepper – Perry.Pepper@pueblocc.edu, 970.564.6205; and/or their local law enforcement agency. All reports will be thoroughly investigated and referred to the Chief Student Services Officer through the Dean of Students who will conduct a separate investigation.
If an investigation results in the filing of College misconduct charges, the case will progress according to the Student Code of Conduct. Disciplinary proceedings will be instituted against a student charged with sexual misconduct independent of any external criminal investigation and/or proceedings off campus. If the charges of sexual misconduct are found to have merit, sanctions such as, but not limited to, disciplinary probation, suspension or expulsion may be imposed. Alcohol and other intoxicants will not be used as a defense for sexual misconduct. Federal law requires that all incidents of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking are to be included in the College’s Annual Safety Report, which is available to the public.

Confidential reporting: Alleged victims of sexual misconduct may choose to make a report to one of the following confidential resources: Pueblo Campus: Pueblo Community College Police Department Student Center, Room 160 - 719.549.3355; PCC Southwest Campus and Sites: contact Regional Director of Student Services at 970.564.6205, or the Executive Dean at 970.564.6222; Fremont Campus: contact Public Safety at 719.296.6130, Room FC-A115; or the Dean at 719.296.6108, Room FC-A109.

Evidence: Every effort should be made by the alleged victim and others to preserve any and all evidence obtained as a result of the incident and present such evidence to the appropriate law enforcement officials for possible use later either in criminal action or College disciplinary action.

Standard of proof: For alleged acts of sexual misconduct, which are violations of the PCC Student Code of Conduct, the standard of proof used is a preponderance of evidence (more likely than not) standard.

Rights of the alleged victim and alleged perpetrator: Confidentiality of both the alleged victim and alleged perpetrator will be maintained throughout the investigation and hearing. The case will be handled as any other student discipline case. However, the following stipulations will also apply:

Both parties will have the same opportunity to have others present, and will be informed of the outcome of any disciplinary proceedings.

The alleged victim will be informed of his/her option to notify law enforcement, be notified of counseling services, and be notified of options for changing academic and living situations.

Title IX

Pueblo Community College (PCC) is committed to providing a learning environment that promotes personal integrity, civility and mutual respect free of sex discrimination and sexual misconduct. Title IX of the Educational Amendment Act of 1972 states that: No person in the United States, shall on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal assistance. Sex discrimination violates an individual’s fundamental rights and personal dignity. PCC considers sex discrimination in all its forms to be a serious offense. This policy includes all forms of sex discrimination, including: sexual harassment, sexual assault, and sexual violence by employees, students, or third parties. This policy has been developed to reaffirm individual rights and responsibilities and to provide recourse for those individuals whose rights have been violated. It is intended to serve as a guide for the expectations the College has for sexual communication, sexual responsibility, and sexual respect. For a complete copy of the policy and for complaint procedures and forms, Complaint procedures website.

All College employees, including student employees in certain roles, are mandatory reporters of sexual misconduct and discrimination. Mandatory reporters must ensure that any sexual misconduct or discrimination that they become aware of is reported to the College’s Title IX Coordinator or designee. Reports may also be made to the Pueblo Community College Police Dept. at 719.549.3355. This policy applies to all sexual misconduct, discrimination, or harassment regardless of the gender, gender identity or sexual orientation of the complainant or respondent.

Parades and Demonstrations

Permission for parades and demonstrations on any campus must be secured from the Chief Student Services Officer. The Chief Student Services Officer may restrict parades or demonstrations that impede the academic process at PCC and/or that are in conflict with the mission of PCC.
Photography & Recording Statement

Pueblo Community College often uses photographs and audio/video recordings of college life, events, ceremonies and other activities for purposes related to the educational mission of the college, including education, research, publicity, marketing and promotion of college programs.

By being present in areas open to the public or at public college events and activities, individuals authorize use and reproduction by the college, or anyone authorized by the college, of any photographs or recordings taken while at the college event or activity without compensation. All such photographs and recordings (including electronic) shall be the sole property of the college.

The college may work with individuals requesting to be excluded from college photography/recordings when practical. Individuals not wanting to be photographed or recorded have the option of leaving the area being photographed/recorded.

Notice/Release for Photography & Recording of College Activities

Summary: When capturing photographs and recordings of individuals at the college or during college activities, it is important to consider whether the individual should be placed on general or specific notice and whether it is appropriate to obtain formal permission from the individual for the later use of the photograph or recording by the college. This document provides guidelines and alternatives for giving notice and/or obtaining permission or release from the individual(s) in the photograph/recording. The below alternatives and examples are intended to serve as guidance only, and deviation from these guidelines may be warranted in the sole discretion of the college based on the particular circumstances.

In general, the college will utilize a general notice approach for open public activities and a more targeted approach for activities that are smaller or more intimate, even though they are open to the public.

If an individual declines permission or requests to not be photographed/recorded, the college will use its best efforts to discard/delete/conceal any images of that individual and will work with that individual to avoid capturing further images/recordings.

If the college receives notification that an individual’s image has been captured or used in a way that he or she objects to, the College will take appropriate steps to evaluate the circumstances and remove the image, if appropriate.

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Speakers on Campus
The following provisions apply to student organizations and other PCC recognized organizations that sponsor/invite speakers at the PCC Campus:

1. A student organization must be recognized by the PCC Associated Student Government as an official student organization before the organization can issue any invitation to an off-campus speaker. Prior to inviting the speaker, the organization must complete the appropriate documentation.

2. The College reserves the right to select a full-time member of the College’s faculty or professional staff to preside at meetings at which off-campus persons are speaking.

3. The sponsoring organization shall assume full responsibility for courteous treatment of the speaker and ensure him/her the freedom to speak.

4. Speakers shall agree to receive and answer questions from the audience.

5. Any official student organization that violates the speaker policy or any of these regulations shall be subject to disciplinary action that may result in the loss or suspension of recognition, or the imposition of other sanctions.

6. The Chief Student Services Officer, or his/her designee, shall be notified of all speakers invited to campus.

Student Privacy Rights - FERPA
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), commonly known as the Buckley Amendment, protects a student’s right to privacy regarding one’s educational records. The Act helps protect the privacy of
student records by requiring that PCC limit the disclosure of information from these records to third parties, as well as notify students of the right to review and correct student records. Upon request, Pueblo Community College also discloses education records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

Pueblo Community College (PCC) may release the following directory information about you without prior written consent:

- Student name
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance
- Degrees and awards received
- Enrollment status (full time, part-time, etc.)
- Most recent educational institution attended
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Height and weight (only for students in officially recognized activities and sports)

Students who do not wish PCC to release this information must file a written request with the Records Office. For more information about the Buckley Amendment, contact the Records Office.

Surveys and/or Research at Pueblo Community College
The Office of Institutional Research (OIR) is responsible to review all proposed surveys and questionnaires; protect the rights of human subjects; ensure good survey methodology and design; prevent specific populations from being over-surveyed; avoid the collection of duplicated information; and encourage sharing of survey results with the PCC community. The OIR is authorized to review, approve, require modifications in, or disapprove surveys or questionnaires conducted by or through the College. All survey, questionnaires, and research activity/project requests must be approved prior to administration. Contact the Office of Institutional Research (OIR) and submit a request through Ultimus under "PCC Survey Request P1".

Testing Policies
Assessment Policies (including the Accuplacer): Policies and regulations related to assessment, including taking the Accuplacer, are located on the PCC website.

Tobacco Free Buildings and Campuses
PCC desires to support individuals to be tobacco free, achieve their highest state of health, and to launch students into their careers at a high level of health and wellbeing. To support this commitment, PCC is a tobacco free environment effective fall 2017.

Smoking and the use of tobacco products, including electronic smoking devices and chew tobacco, are prohibited in or on all campus-owned, operated, or leased property including vehicles, sidewalks, and parking lots. Any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine that is intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means, including, but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff; any electronic smoking device; notwithstanding any provision of subsections (1) and (2) to the contrary, “tobacco product” includes any component, part, or accessory of a tobacco product, whether or not sold separately.
**Vacating Buildings and Facilities**  
The following statement will be read to persons and/or organizations that improperly or illegally occupy College buildings and facilities:

“You are violating College regulations (State laws) concerning improper occupation of buildings and facilities. If you leave within the next 10 minutes, no further action will be taken. If you do not leave within 10 minutes, you will be arrested and charged with trespassing. You also will be called to appear before the Chief Student Services Officer at an early date for appropriate disciplinary action. If there are those among you who are not students and fail to leave when directed, you will be arrested and charged with trespassing.”

**Valid Identification**  
*The following forms of identification are acceptable and required for taking an assessment at the PCC Testing Center:

- Valid Colorado Driver’s License
- Valid Colorado Identification Card
- Valid U.S. Passport
- Valid Out-of-state Driver’s License
- Foreign Passport w/photo
- Military ID/Common Access Card
- Certificate of Naturalization w/photo
- Certificate of Citizenship w/photo
- Valid I-551
- Valid EAH/Temporary Resident
- Refugee/Asylee I-94 w/photo
- BIA Identification Card w/photo
- VA Card w/photo
- School ID (valid only for Accuplacer and PCC Academic testing)

*Per Colorado Community College System. This is subject to change without notice.

**Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), Section 304 – Mandatory Training for Students**  
On March 7, 2013, former President Barack Obama signed a bill that reauthorized the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA). Included in the bill is Section 304, which addresses sexual violence in higher education. Pueblo Community College fully supports VAWA by educating, preventing, and supporting the community about issues surrounding domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; defining consent; promoting options for bystander intervention; recognizing warning signs of abusive behavior; and promoting ways to avoid potential attacks. For more information on this training, please contact the Dean of Students at 719.549.3035.

Assistance for victims is available through a consortium of the Pueblo Rape Crisis Center, PCC Public Safety office, and Dean of Students. Project ACCESS can offer students referrals to off-campus organizations should the need arise. For more information, feel free to contact any of the following offices: Director of Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator; Chief Student Services Officer; Dean of Students, and Chief of Pueblo Community College Police Department.
Violence/Firearms on Campus

Violent behavior or the threat of violent behavior toward employees, students, the general public, college property, or college operated facilities will not be tolerated. The open carry of firearms or other weapons is specifically prohibited on Pueblo Community College property. [State Board policy 19-10](#) and [Colorado Revised Statute 18-12-105](#), as amended and applicable.
RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES
The communities that serve the Campuses of Pueblo Community College provide several resources for educational programs related to alcohol and drug use. These programs are provided by law enforcement agencies, mental health services, and local hospitals.

Pueblo Community College does not endorse any one treatment program or facility, however, a comprehensive listing of resources for the treatment of alcohol and drug abuse can be found in your local phone book yellow pages under “Alcoholism” and under “Drug Abuse Information & Treatment.” Or you may contact the following organizations in your community where your Campus presides.

Pueblo Campus:

- Addict2Athlete – 2101 E. Evans Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004 – 719.250.7805
- Suicide Prevention – Teen Hot Line – 1.800.273.8255
  *Crisis Text Line – Text START to 741.741 24 hours
- Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center: 719.544.4233
- CO Anti-Violence Program (LGBT): 1.888.557.4441 (May have to leave a message)
- Community Care: 719.314.2560
- Child Abuse/Neglect Reporting: 719.583.6901
- YWCA Adult & Child Domestic Violence Counseling 719.545.8195
- Posada: 719.545.8776
- Alano Club (support & referral) - 320 Clark Street, Pueblo, CO 81003 – 719.542.6347
- Alcoholic Anonymous - 4035 Club Manor Drive, Suite A, Pueblo, CO 81008 – 719.546.1173
- Crossroads Turning Point - 509 E. 13th Street, Pueblo, CO 81001 – 719.546.6666;
  Special Women's Services - 3500 Baltimore, Pueblo, CO 81008 – 719.545.1181;
  Alcoholism Treatment Program – 1711 E. Evans Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004 – 719.924.9511
- HIV/AIDS Hotline: 1.800.CDC.INFO (1.800.232.4636)
- Health Solutions – 719.545.2746
- Parkview-Chemical Dependency Program - 58 Club Manor Drive, Pueblo, CO 81008 – 719.584.4343
- Parkview Adolescent Substance Abuse Program - 56 Club Manor Drive, Suite 104, Pueblo, CO 81008 – 719.584.4457
- Pueblo City/County Health Department: 719.583.4300
- Teen Crisis Line-runaway hotline-Covenant House “9” Line: 1.800.999.9999
- National Organization for Victim Assistance: 1.800.879.6682
- Safe2Tell: 1.877.542.SAFE (1.877.542.7233)
- TESSA crisis line - 719-633-3819
- Pueblo Community Health Center:
  - On Campus: MT 118 – 719.549.3315
  - Main Clinic: 110 East Routt Avenue, Pueblo, CO 81004: 719.543.8711
Fremont Campus:

- Alcoholics Anonymous – 719.275.7089
- Family Crisis Services, Inc. - 3228 Independence Road, Cañon City, CO 81212 – 719.275.2429
- Rocky Mountain Behavioral Health - 3239 Independence Road, Cañon City, CO 81212 – 719.275.7650
- Solvista Health; Canon City call 719.275.2351; Westcliffe call 719.783.9064

Mancos Campus, Bayfield, and Durango Sites:

- Al-Anon and Al-Ateen Family Groups SW Groups – 970.259.2982
- Alcohol & Drug Treatment Referral – 800.454.8966
- Alternative Horizons, Durango, CO – 970.247.9619
- Axis Health System (formerly Southwest Colorado Mental Health Center, Inc.)
  - Axis Crises Line – 970.247.5245
  - Cortez, CO – 970.565.7946
  - Durango, CO – 970.259.2162
  - Pagosa Springs, CO – 970.264.2104
  - Emergency Suicide Prevention – 970.247.5245
  - Crossroads – Emergencies, Durango, CO – 970.403.0180
- Colorado Crisis Services Support Line - 844.493.8255
- Detox of La Plata County, Durango, CO – 970.259.8732
- NEST Child Advocacy Center – 970.565.8155
- Pine River Shares, Bayfield, CO – 970.884.6040
- Preferred Counseling Services, Durango, CO – 970.739.8970 or 970.259.3952
- Recovery Center – CARS, Cortez, CO – 970.565.4109
- Second Wind Fund – 720.962.0706. This is not a crisis hotline but the fund is available to youths who face social or financial barriers to crisis counseling. The organization requires a referral by a school counselor or mental health professional.
- Sexual Assault Services Organization (SASO hotline) Durango, Bayfield, Ignacio – 970.247.5400
- Southern Colorado Community Action Agency, Inc., Ignacio, CO – 970.563.4517
- Southern Ute Health Center, Ignacio, CO – 970.563.4851 (Serving ALL Indian tribes w/proof of documentation)
- Trevor Project – 866.488.7386. Crisis intervention and suicide prevention for LGBTQ youth via online chat, text, or phone
- Ute Mountain Ute Tribe – 970.565.3751

Drug & Alcohol Screening in Health & Public Safety

- THC (marijuana) will be tested.
- A positive test will result in non-admission to a program(s).
- Re-testing is not an option for that application cycle.
- If a student does test positive for THC he/she will have to wait for the next application cycle to re-apply and re-test.
- Marijuana typically stays in someone’s system for approximately 30 days.
Other resources available to persons who report being the victim of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, and those who are in need of addiction assistance or suicide prevention resources, include:

- Addiction Care and Education
- Addiction Help Today
- Addiction Treatment Resources
- Alcohol Addiction Center
- Alcohol Help
- Beach House Rehab Center
- Bullying Awareness & Prevention
- Choosing the Best Inpatient Addiction and Domestic Violence or Sexual Abuse Recovery Center
- Colorado Alcohol and Drug Rehab Centers
- Colorado Anti-Violence Program, Building Safety and Justice for LGBTQ Communities
- Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence
- Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault
- Detox Centers and Drug Rehab
- Domestic Violence and Substance Abuse
- Drug Addiction Help
- Drug & Alcohol Detox Centers
- Drug Rehab Advice Center
- DrugRehabs.Net
- Guidebook to Addiction on College Campuses
- Local Addiction Resources
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1.800.273.8255
- Mental Health Resource
- Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network
- RehabSpot
Start Your Recovery

Staying Safe on Campus

Student Suicide & Depression Awareness Guide

Suicide Prevention Guide

Suicide Prevention Help and Resources

The Recovery Village

Violence Awareness & Prevention
GENERAL PROCEDURES

Animals on Campus
Pueblo Community College is an educational institution that offers supervised educational and recreational events on campus for adults as well as children. Pueblo Community College strives to provide a healthy academic environment where students, staff, faculty, and administrators can expect to attend and teach class, complete work or projects in laboratories, libraries, offices, and other work places with a minimum of distractions or interruptions. To ensure that the appropriate academic environment is maintained, PCC has adopted the following regulations that will be enforced by the appropriate administrative supervisor.

In consideration of personal safety and sanitation privately owned animals are not permitted in any Pueblo Community College buildings with the following exceptions:

1. Service animals, to include seeing-eye or leader dogs for the visually handicapped.

2. Animals brought on campus for a specifically authorized and approved show, contests, or event involving the display or demonstration of skills of trained animals.
   - Any animal on campus must be leashed and controlled at all times. Persons violating this policy will be requested to leave campus immediately with their animal. Animals found unattended may be impounded by PCC Public Safety or local law enforcement and turned over to animal control officers.
   - Animals visiting campus must be closely supervised by an adult at all times.
   - Animals will be prohibited from entering dangerous settings such as labs and equipment rooms without the approval of the appropriate dean or administrative supervisor.
   - Animals will be subject to the usage restrictions/privileges specific to individual facilities.
   - Animals may not attend a class in session without the prior approval of the class instructor.
   - Animals under the care of the instructor may not attend class without the prior approval of the immediate supervisor.
   - Animals may, on rare occasions and with the approval of the supervisor, accompany an employee to the workplace. However, the expectation is that employees will make alternate arrangements for the care of their animals during normal working hours.
   - Animals taking part in programs and/or special events on campus are expected to abide by the rules and regulations established by the program or event sponsors.

Bicycle and Skateboards on Campus
In order to avoid accidents or hazardous situations that might threaten the health and safety of persons on PCC campuses, the operation of skateboards, longboards, rollerblades, and bicycles on any PCC campus is prohibited. Restrictions of usage of skateboards, longboards, rollerblades, and bicycles on public sidewalks and walkways on the Pueblo and Durango campus will be regulated by the local city ordinances.

Pueblo City Ordinance on bicycles and skateboards.
Durango City Ordinance on bicycles and skateboards.
See Your Advisor. Identify Your Technological Needs.

Your Go!Zone or faculty advisor will be able to inform you of the best computer equipment necessary for your program of study. Technology levels are outlined and determine the base systems for your specific programs. The majority of programs on campus require Tech Level ONE. It is recommended to use a computer system that is less than five years old with current antivirus software. Specific requirements may exist for your program of study.

*You can find further information in the PCC Catalog.*

**Tech Level ONE**
- Laptop Computer
  - Windows 10 / Mac OS 10.10
  - Intel Core i3 or AMD A8 or higher
  - 2 GHz or faster
  - 4 GB RAM or greater
  - Monitor and graphics card with 1024x768 resolution
  - A web camera capable of video web conferencing
  - Microphone and headset
  - Antivirus software
  - Internet connectivity
  - Protection plan/warranty

**Tech Level TWO**
- Laptop Computer: Computer Aided Design / Nursing Programs
  - Windows 10 / Mac OS 10.10 64-bit
  - Intel or AMD with SSE2 support*
  - 8 GB RAM or greater*
  - Supported graphics card**
  - Monitor with 1024x768 or greater resolution
  - A web camera capable of video web conferencing
  - Microphone and headset
  - Antivirus software
  - Internet connectivity
  - Protection plan/warranty

**Tech Level THREE**
- Laptop Computer: Media Communications
  - Windows 10 - 64-bit w/ Current Build / Mac OS 10.10
  - Multicore processor with 64-bit support*
  - RAM: 16 GB or greater*
  - 8 GB min. of hard-disk space
  - Supported GPU card for accelerated performance**
  - Sound card compatible with ASIO protocol / Apple Core audio*
  - Monitor 1280x800 or greater resolution
  - Internet connection for software validation/install
  - A web camera capable of video web conferencing
  - Microphone and headset
  - Antivirus software
  - Internet connectivity
  - Protection plan/warranty

*Please refer to current software system requirements
**Visit https://knowledge.autodesk.com/certified-graphics-hardware for more information on graphics cards.

Courses at PCC may be enhanced with media and applications that can be downloaded to your mobile device, but not replace more suitable devices for productivity.

- Android 2.2 or higher
- iOS (iPhone/iPad) 16 GB or higher
- Microsoft Surface

**Do school work almost anywhere, anytime.**

Figure 2 bring your own device information
2 Purchase Your Technology

Speak with Financial Aid regarding your eligibility to purchase a computer using your award. Any student may use their financial aid if there is sufficient award money to cover the cost of the device after the cost of tuition and fees have been fulfilled. Those eligible may purchase one device per academic year.

The Nook at PCC: A Barnes & Noble College Bookstore also accepts cash, credit card or certified funds. Pre-orders are processed via The Nook. You have several PC-based options with a variety of price ranges to meet your needs. The order is processed and once payment is confirmed your device will be shipped to you directly.

It is necessary to have your computer prepared for the first day of class! Make necessary accommodations for financial availability and shipping time. Start early.

3 Your Tool, Your Responsibility...

You are responsible for securing your device.
You are responsible for protecting your device.
You are responsible for caring for and maintaining your device.
You are responsible for protecting your privacy.

Faculty has the discretion to allow and monitor the use of personal devices in the classroom and on specific projects. Devices may not be used to cheat on assignments, quizzes, or tests or for non-instructional purposes during class.

Students must adhere to the PCC Student Handbook and Acceptable Use Policy. If the student device is suspected of a violation of the Student Code of Conduct, it may result in academic probation and/or expulsion.

Have the Tools You Need For Your Degree.

Students who choose to use systems or applications other than those outlined do so knowing that faculty may be expecting and using the software listed above. It is and will be the student’s responsibility to create and distribute correspondence and shared files in a format that can be read by faculty and fellow classmates.

Technology changes rapidly – as a result, these recommendations are subject to change without notice. It is the student’s responsibility to continually check the myPCC Portal for changes to the above recommendations.

It is highly recommended that you purchase a warranty for your device. Consider purchasing additional support/service options and insurance.

Pueblo Community College takes no responsibility for stolen, lost, or damaged devices, including lost or corrupted data on those devices. Students will have the final responsibility for securing their personal devices. Please check with your homeowner’s policy regarding coverage of personal electronic devices, as many insurance policies can cover loss or damage.
Library
The PCC Library has a set of rules for each branch concerning the use of the library and equipment, the age of patrons who can utilize the library without supervision, etc. Please check with the library on a specific campus for the rules for that branch of the library.

Learning Center
The Pueblo, Fremont, Southwest campus Learning Centers each provide different services. Students are free to use the space, access technology, and all services offered. ID may be required for utilization of campus technology. As a center for learning and study, students and their family members are welcome as long as behavior is conducive to the learning environment.

Recreation Center
The Rec Center, located on the lower level of the Student Center in room 159 across from Pueblo Joe's, offers a wide selection of cardio machines, free weights, cable machines, and group exercise classes like yoga, Zumba, and functional training. Rec Center membership is included in tuition and fees for students enrolled in classes on the Pueblo campus. Students enrolled in online only classes can purchase a membership for $20 per month at the PCC Cashier's Office. Students are required check into and out of the facility using their student ID.

In addition to the fitness center and group exercise classes, students can participate in intramural sports like volleyball, soccer, and flag football. Information about upcoming events will be posted around campus, on social media, and in the Rec Center. Intramural sports competitions have a small registration fee.

Visit the Rec Center for more information on classes, intramural sports, and hours of operation.

Tutoring
The Learning Center at the Pueblo campus offers professional tutoring labs for all students enrolled in writing, math, IT (computers), and science courses. These “Pro” areas do not require an appointment. Students may come in and obtain assistance on a first come, first served basis when tutors are scheduled. Schedules of availability for the can be found on the Pueblo Community College website.

We offer additional tutoring services via small groups for students in other classes. Schedules of available small groups and the tutors who lead them are located outside of the Writing Pro area (AB 054). If a group is not readily available, one may be created when a tutor request form is submitted to the Learning Center front desk. Computer-aided tutorials are also available to all students. For more information on this mandatory training, please contact the Dean of Students at 719.549.3035.
RESOURCES - Important publications to assist you at Pueblo Community College

College Catalog
The PCC Catalog is a comprehensive publication that provides detailed information in the following areas: Admissions, Graduation Requirements, Financial Aid, Educational Costs, Services for Students, General Student Information, Student Activities, Academic Regulations, Community Education and Training, Off-Campus Instructional Sites, Certificate and Degree Programs, Course descriptions, College Personnel, and the Academic Calendar. The catalog is available online or may be found in the Pueblo Community College Library, 900 West Orman, AB110; Phone: 719.549.3305.

Annual Security Report
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Identification Cards
The Panther One ID Card is required at all campus locations – the Main Campus, PCC Southwest campus and Fremont Campus.

The card is required for identification at student-sponsored events and in various offices at PCC. All first-time students will be assessed a one-time ID card fee during the first semester they attend. The only time students will be charged additional fees is if the card is lost or needs to be replaced.

Students can obtain a Panther One Card after they have registered for classes by visiting the Welcome Center on the Pueblo Campus or the GoZones at the Fremont and PCC Southwest campus. Photo identification must be presented to obtain an ID card.

Faculty and staff must obtain and display a PCC ID card once they have completed the new hire process through Human Resources.

Other Resources
Students: Did you know PCC offers the following services for students:
(*) Costs listed were effective July 2019; Costs subject to change without notice

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<td>Cosmetology – Hair and Nail Care</td>
<td>PCC Salon and Spa is located at:</td>
<td>700 West Abriendo (Corner of 4th and Abriendo Avenue – across from Loaf-n-Jug)</td>
<td>DISCOUNTED PRICES available for students, faculty, and staff at PCC as well as seniors</td>
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Parking
PCC provides open parking on all campuses. Reserved or restricted parking will be identified with signage. Students, staff, and faculty are required to obtain and display a parking permit for their vehicles. Permits may be obtained at the Welcome Center on the Pueblo Campus or the Go!Zones at the Fremont Campus and PCC Southwest campus. Any person utilizing handicap parking must display a state-issued handicap parking placard or handicap license plate.

Parking citations may be issued for violation of the PCC Parking Rules and Regulations. The complete PCC Parking Rules and Regulations can be found at the following website. They may also be obtained at the Welcome Center at the Pueblo Campus and the Go!Zones at the Fremont and PCC Southwest campus.

PCC Schedule of Classes
The College publishes the PCC Schedule of Classes prior to the start of each semester. This publication lists all courses that will be offered for the upcoming semester. Additional information in the publication includes New Student Information, Advisement and Registration Procedures, Tuition, Fee and Refund Schedule, and the current academic calendar. To search for classes go to myPCC Portal.
PCC on the Internet

The PCC website is a valuable resource for students. It includes information related to student services, academic programs, upcoming events, policies and procedures, the class schedule, and miscellaneous information about Pueblo Community College. It also links students to other web sites that provide students with information related to the College.

For additional information or clarification of policies contained in this handbook, please contact:

Chief Student Services Officer
Pueblo Community College
Student Center, Room 261
900 W. Orman Avenue
Pueblo, CO 81004
719.549.3080
FEDERAL COMPLIANCE STANDARDS CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES

Pueblo Community College complies with federal mandates such as the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (Public Law 101-226), Clery Act and Violence Against Women reauthorization Act (VAWA) Section 304 and the Higher Education Act, National Voter Registration Act, and FERPA.

Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (Public Law 101-226)
Pueblo Community College upholds the Drug Free Schools and Campus Act by complying with and understands the U.S. Department of Education’s mandate to notify and inform students, staff, or faculty against the unauthorized or unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, use/abuse of alcohol and/or illicit drugs on college property or as part of any college activity. Read more about the Drug and Alcohol Policies.

Biennial Report
The Biennial Report is an internal report distributed to the Pueblo Community College which addresses the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (Public Law 101-226). A printed copy of the Report will be housed in the Chief Student Services Officer Office, Student Center, Room 261. Also, the Report is located on the College’s website on the Student Life tab under the media communications.

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Moreover, victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking are crimes that PCC will not tolerate.

Assistance for victims is available through a consortium of the Pueblo Rape Crisis Center, PCC Dean of Students Office, Pueblo Community College Police Dept., Director of Human Resources/Title IX Coordinator and Chief Student Services Officer.
Voter Registration
Through the Higher Education Act, the National Voter Registration Act, and Colorado law, PCC is required to distribute voter registration forms to students. PCC is in compliance with making a good faith effort by notifying each student enrolled in a degree or certificate program on how to register to vote. A paper form can be selected and mailed to the Secretary of State’s office.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their educational records. The Act helps protect the privacy of your records by requiring that PCC limits the disclosure of information from these records to third parties, as well as notify you of the right to review and correct your records. The following web link provides additional information on students’ rights regarding their educational records.

Important Disclaimers and Legal Notices
In addition to PCC’s mandate to share important disclaimers and legal notices, PCC strives to be transparent and provide multiple opportunities to share this information so that our students are informed. Please visit the Disclaimer and Legal Notices link to find this valuable information; currently this information is also located on the bottom of PCC’s website and named “Disclaimers and Legal Notices”.

Student Handbook
The Student Handbook contains must read information on the above referenced federal regulations and the Student Code of Conduct, Complaint and Grievance Policies/procedures, and resource services available at PCC.
GUIDE TO SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE – Fremont Campus

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- **Mancos**: 970.564.6201

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- **Mancos-Director of Student Services**: 970.564.6228

### Academic Probation or Academic Suspension

- **Mancos**: 970.564.6228

### Application for Admissions

- **Bayfield**: 970.385.2098
- **Durango Go!Zone**: 970.385.2020
- **Mancos Go!Zone**: 970.564.6228

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- **Disability Resources Office (Pueblo)**: 719.549.3446

### Discipline Issues (Students)

- **Mancos-Director of Student Services**: 970.564.6228
- **OR Dean**: 970.564.6222

### Discrimination

- **Affirmative Action/Personnel – Human Resources (Pueblo)**: 719.549.3220

### Dropping & Adding Classes

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### Pueblo Campus - Building Codes

- AB = Dr. Mike Davis Academic Building
- CA = Central Administration
- CM = Cosmetology
- GC = Gorsich Advanced Technology Center
- MT = Medical Arts & Technology Building
- SC = Student Center
- SJ = San Juan Building
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