

# Student Handbook 2021 – 2022

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#### Student Handbook Provision

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 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 Chancellor, 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 express or implied contract or to guarantee for any term or to promise that any specific process, procedures or practice will be followed or benefit provided by the College. The College reserves the right to modify, change, delete or add to the information in this Handbook as it deems appropriate.

# **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 2021 – 2022 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 guestions. Get involved. You will succeed!

Wishing you the best,

Dr. Heather Speed, Ed.D. Vice President of Student Success 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
- To care for your health and safety in everything we do

# 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

St. Mary Corwin 1008 Minnequa 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 970.385.2020 Toll-free: 888.642.6017

Bayfield Site 110 East South Street Bayfield, CO 81122 970.385.2098

Toll-free: 888.624.6017

#### 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 (<u>C.R.S. 23-1-125</u>) 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.

# CODE OF STUDENT BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES (CODE) Introduction

The community of Pueblo Community College (PCC) includes students who are enrolled in PCC courses at any location which includes the Pueblo Campus, including St. Mary Corwin, the Fremont Campus in Cañon City, PCC Southwest Campus located in Mancos, and PCC Southwest Sites located in Durango and Bayfield, online via remote learning classes/labs/etc., 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 their 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 Code of Student Behavioral Expectations and Responsibilities (Code), PCC also assumes the obligation of clearly identifying and enforcing the Code. PCC maintains the basic understanding that those students who do not follow and adhere to the Code 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:

Program 1	Program 2
Automotive Technology	Broadcasting & Production Technician
Cosmetology	Culinary Arts
Dental Hygiene	Early Childhood Education
Emergency Medical Services	Fire Science Technology
Graphic Design	Law Enforcement (Pueblo and
	Southwest Regional)
Library Technician	Mass Communications
Machining Technology	Media Communication
Medical Assistant	Medical Imaging (Diagnostic Medical
	Sonography and Radiologic Technology
Nursing - LPN	Nursing - (LPN to ADN, ADN, Paramedic
	to ADN)
Nurse Aid	Nursing RN to BSN
Occupational Therapy Assistant	Pharmacy Tech
Phlebotomy Tech	Physical Therapist Assistant
Psychiatric Technician	Respiratory Therapy
Surgical Technology	Web Design and Development

#### **Proscribed Conduct**

College disciplinary regulations are set forth in writing and in concert with <u>BP 4-30</u> and <u>SP 4-30</u> 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 (2) 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.

#### Statement

A College community is defined by its values for learning, teaching, and service that reflect academic excellence, holistic student development, and societal impact. To guide student success, the Colorado Community College System (CCCS) has created the Code of Student Behavioral Expectations and Responsibilities (Code), which includes standards of behavior that support an engaged learning environment for all students. The Code embraces the institutional values of integrity, excellence, learning, diversity, intellectual freedom, and equal opportunity, and is rooted in conflict resolution practice to support students in resolving their own conflicts.

Each College's Student Affairs Division is authorized to enact the Code and utilize the Code procedures to support students while holding them accountable to the behavior that supports the College mission and vision. The outcomes of the student conduct process are designed to assist students in their development, help them think through their moral and ethical decision-making, and realign their behavior with the College's community expectations. In certain incidents, this may involve separation from the College either temporarily or permanently.

Outcomes are assigned based on the severity of the violation, cumulative conduct history, and educational needs of the student.

Students at each College are provided a copy of the Code and are responsible for reading and adhering to the Code. The Code in no way creates a contractual obligation and CCCS reserves the right to revise the procedure at any time.

#### Code

The College considers the behavior described in the following subsections as inappropriate and in opposition to the values of the College community. These responsibilities apply to all students including continuing education. The College encourages and expects students, faculty, and staff to engage as active bystanders and report to College officials incidents that involve the following behaviors. Any student found to have violated or to have attempted to violate the following responsibilities may be subject to the conditions, restrictions, and outcomes outlined in SP 4-30a, Student Behavior Expectations and Responsibilities Resolution Procedure.

The following section is organized alphabetically by violation followed by an explanation:

<u>Abuse of Conduct Process</u>: Abuse or interference with College processes, including conduct and academic integrity meetings:

- Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information.
- Failure to provide, destroying, or concealing information during an investigation of an alleged Code violation.

- Attempting to discourage an individual's proper participation in, or use of, the campus conduct system.
- Inappropriately influencing any member of the campus community with conduct authority prior to, during, and/or following a campus conduct proceeding.
- Influencing or attempting to influence another individual to commit an abuse of the campus conduct process.

<u>Academic Integrity</u>: 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 outcomes as set forth in the Student Behavioral Expectations and Responsibilities Resolution Procedure.

- **Cheating**: The act of using or attempting to use an examination or other academic work, material, information, or study aids which are not permitted by the instructor. Cheating includes, but is not limited to:
  - Using books, notes, or calculators or copying from or conversing with others during examinations (unless such external aids are permitted by the instructor).
  - Having someone else do research, write papers, or take examinations for someone else.
  - Submitting work completed in one class to fulfill an assignment in another class without prior approval from the instructor(s).
  - Stealing, distributing, selling, and buying tests or having someone take an exam on someone else's behalf.
- **Fabrication**: The invention of material or its source and its use as an authority in academic work. Fabrication includes, but is not limited to:
  - o Inventing the data for a scientific experiment.
  - Inventing the title and author of a publication in order to use the invented publication as a source.
  - o Knowingly attributing material to an incorrect source.
- **Plagiarism**: The act of using someone else's work without giving proper credit to the original source. The work can be written, artistic, musical, language, symbols, or media. Reusing one's own work without proper citation (or approval of instructor) is also plagiarism.

<u>Alcohol/Drugs</u>: Use, being under the influence, manufacturing, possession, cultivating, distribution, purchase, or sale of alcohol and/or drugs (illegal and/or dangerous or controlled substance) and/or alcohol/drug paraphernalia 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.

<u>Animals/Pets</u>: Animals are not permitted on campus (includes college-owned and/or college controlled property) except as permitted by law (trained service animal) or as specifically approved by the College.

- Please see the "Animals on Campus" section outlined in a later section of the student handbook.
- Please see <u>SP 4-120b</u>, regarding Student Disability Services for information related to service animals and emotional support animals.

<u>Bullying/Non-physical abuse</u>: Bullying includes repeated and/or severe aggressive or negative actions or behaviors intentionally or reasonably likely to intimidate, hurt, control, or diminish another person, physically, mentally, or emotionally. Bullying may include direct or indirect communications in verbal or nonverbal form and specifically includes bullying by electronic means (e.g., cyberbullying).

- 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.
- For more information and compliance, see SP19-10, Bullying/Violence/Firearms on Campus.

<u>COVID-19 Testing Protocols</u>: Pueblo Community College will follow the COVID-19 testing protocols established by the Colorado Community College System, of which PCC is a member:

- Employees and students who will be on campus will have the option to provide weekly COVID-19 test results or submit evidence that they are fully vaccinated.
- Individuals who provide PCC official documentation of their vaccination status are not required to undergo testing.
- Employees need to provide proof of vaccination by 12.23.2021, or begin participating in weekly testing on 1.3.2022.
- Students need to provide proof of vaccination by 1.14.2022, or begin participating in weekly testing on 1.17.2022.
- PCC will continue to require masks indoors in gathering spaces such as classrooms, labs, libraries, and study area.

# Mask Policy:

We are now dealing with the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus. It is two (2) to three (3) times more contagious than the original virus. As such, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDS) recommends universal mask wearing regardless of vaccinated status in institutions that do not have universal vaccination. Accordingly, The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) strongly recommends we adopt this practice in an effort to protect the safety of our staff and students and to promote in-person learning.

Throughout this pandemic, we have taken the guidance from both the CDC and CDPHE very seriously and have used their expertise to guide our college protocols. Therefore, effective Thursday, 8.26.2021, all employees, students, and visitors at Pueblo Community College – all campuses and sites – will be required to wear a mask when indoors in gathering spaces such as classrooms, labs, libraries, study areas, theaters, etc.

Masks will not be required when walking outside or in a private office, unless the occupant of the office respectfully asks for such an accommodation.

In addition to required masking, please stay home if you are not feeling well. We have the technology in place to support both PCC Flex for classroom instruction for our students and remote working from home for employees when need be. Finally, while I know it is easier said than done, please remain mindful of maintaining adequate physical distancing when congregating in a group.

For more information and the latest requirements, please click on our COVID-19 Updates <u>website</u> at https://www.pueblocc.edu/COVID.

<u>Damage and Destruction</u>: Reckless and/or unauthorized damage to, or destruction of, College property or the individual property of another, regardless of intention. Damage or destruction of community, public, or private property.

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

- Collusion: Action with another or others to violate the Code.
- Falsification: Knowingly furnishing or possessing false, falsified, or forged materials, documents, accounts, records, identification, or financial instruments, including electronic forgery and/or manipulation.

<u>Discrimination and Harassment</u>: Discrimination is any distinction, preference, advantage, or detriment given to a person based on one or more actual or perceived protected classes (i.e. basis of sex, gender, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion, or sexual orientation). Harassment is a form of discrimination that includes Quid Pro Quo and Hostile Environment.

Hostile Environment occurs when a person is subjected to verbal or physical conduct based on a protected
class that is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive, and objectively offensive to alter the conditions of a
person's employment or unreasonably interfere with a person's ability to participate in or benefit from
CCCS educational programs or activities, from both a subjective and objective viewpoint.

**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.

- Quid Pro Quo is a type of sexual harassment that exists when an employee conditions the provision of an aid, benefit, or service on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct, such as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature.
- Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, dating violence, domestic violence, stalking, and sexual
  assault.
- 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.
- For more information and how to file a complaint regarding discrimination or harassment, including sexual misconduct, see <a href="SP 19-60">SP 19-60</a>, Civil Rights and Sexual Misconduct Resolution Process.

<u>Disruptive Behavior</u>: Engaging in any 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.

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

<u>Endangerment or Defacement</u>: Conduct that is detrimental to the College, and/or to community safety. Examples include, but are not limited to, slamming doors, throwing chairs, and/or defacing of College property or property of others.

# Failure to Comply:

- Failure to comply with or follow 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.
- Failure to comply with or follow the directives and/or sanctions imposed under CCCS policies and procedures.
- Failure to identify oneself to College officials, acting in their official capacity, when requested to do so.

<u>Fire Safety</u>: Violation of federal, state, local, or campus fire policies including, but not limited to: Intentionally, recklessly, or negligently causing a fire that damages the College, individual property, or causes injury.

- Failure to evacuate a College owned, operated, or controlled facility during a fire alarm.
- Improper use of College fire safety equipment.
- Tampering with or improperly engaging a fire alarm or fire detection/control equipment while on College property. Such action may result in a criminal action.

**Gambling**: Gambling as prohibited by the laws of the State of Colorado. Gambling may include, but is not limited to, raffles, lotteries, sports pools, and online betting activities. Participation in illegal gambling activities on Collegeowned or College-controlled property, and/or any function authorized or supervised by the College, and/or in state owned or leased vehicles.

<u>Harm to individuals</u>: Intentionally or unintentionally causing physical harm, threating to cause harm, endangering the health and/or safety of any individual, or demonstrating violent behavior.

- Violent Behavior includes any act or threat of physical, verbal or psychological aggression, or the destruction or abuse of property by any individual.
- A threat is defined as direct or indirect, verbal or non-verbal conduct (including those made in person, by mail, over the telephone, by email, or by other means) intended to result or reasonably resulting in intimidation, harassment, harm, fear or endangerment of the safety of another person or property.
- For more information and compliance, see <u>SP 19-10</u>, Bullying/Violence/Firearms on Campus.

<u>Hazing</u>: Defined as an act that endangers the psychological, emotional, intellectual, and/or physical health and/or safety of a student, or that destroys or removes public or private property, for the purpose of initiation, admission into, affiliation with, or as a condition for continued membership in a group, team, or organization. Additionally, any act that places a student in a subservient role within an organization is considered hazing. Participation or consensual cooperation by the individual(s) being hazed does not excuse the violation. Failing to intervene to prevent, failing to discourage, and failing to report those acts may also violate this code.

<u>Indecent Exposure</u>: Deliberately and publicly exposing one's intimate body parts, public urination, defecation, and public sex acts.

<u>Leaving Children Unattended</u>: Leaving children unattended or unsupervised in campus buildings or on campus grounds unless the child is enrolled or participating in authorized campus activities.

**<u>Retaliation</u>**: Retaliatory acts include, but are not limited to intimidation, verbal or physical threats, harassment, coercion, or other adverse action(s) against a person who reports an incident of misconduct.

**Rioting**: Causing, inciting, or participating in any disturbance that presents a clear and present danger to self or others, causes physical harm to others, or results in damage and/or destruction of property.

<u>Tampering with a Student Organization, Election, or Vote</u>: Tampering with the process of any college recognized student organization, election, or vote.

<u>Theft</u>: Obtaining, retaining or exercising control over property of another without authorization, or by threat or deception, with the purpose and/or effect of depriving the person(s) to whom the property belongs of its use or benefit.

<u>Tobacco Violation</u>: Smoking and the use of tobacco and related products, including electronic smoking, where contrary to applicable laws or policies established by the College. This includes smoking inside buildings or in areas where smoking is posted as prohibited.

<u>Trademark Violation</u>: Unauthorized use, including misuse, of the College or organizational names and images without the express written consent of the institution or organization.

<u>Unacceptable Use of College Equipment, Network or System:</u> 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 the author's consent; copying protected materials; using the network for financial or personal gain, commercial activity, or illegal activity; accessing the network using another individual's 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.

<u>Unauthorized Access and Entry</u>: Unauthorized access to any College facility, including misuse of keys, cards, restricted access areas, or unauthorized possession, duplication or use of other individual's means of access to any College facility; failing to provide a timely report of a lost College identification card or key; misuse of access privileges to College premises or unauthorized entry to or use of facilities, including trespassing, propping, or unauthorized use of alarmed doors for entry into or exit from a College facility.

 Includes entering or attempting to enter any college-sponsored activity without proper credentials for admission.

<u>Violation of Laws, Directives, and Signage</u>: Violating any municipal, county, state or federal laws, or executive orders, or violating any public health orders in a manner that adversely impacts the health and well-being of the campus environment and those on campus.

- 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, procedures, or signage

<u>Weapons Violation</u>: Possession, use, or distribution of explosives (including fireworks and ammunition), guns (including air, BB, paintball, facsimile weapons, and pellet guns), or other weapons or dangerous objects, such as arrows, axes, machetes, nunchaku, throwing stars, or knives with a blade of longer than three (3) inches. This includes the unauthorized storage of any item that falls within the category of a weapon, including storage in a vehicle parked on College property, other than what is expressly permitted by law.

- Possession of an instrument designed to look like a firearm, explosive, or dangerous weapon is also prohibited by this policy.
- Intentionally or recklessly using and/or possessing a weapon or any other item in such a way that would intimidate, harass, injure, or otherwise interfere with the learning and working environment of the College shall face increased consequences.
- Students, faculty, and staff possessing valid Colorado Concealed Handgun Licenses are permitted to carry
  concealed on campus in accordance with state law and CCCS policy. For more details about certain
  restrictions, please consult with the campus/local police, where applicable.
- For more information and compliance, see <u>SP 19-10</u>, Bullying/Violence/Firearms on Campus.

<u>Violation of course, program, or activity rules</u>: Violation of established rules as contained in courses, programs activities, regulations, or guidelines and established by departments, regulatory boards, or licensing bodies.

### **Group Violations**

A student group or organization and its officers and membership may be held collectively and individually responsible when violations of this Code occur by the organization or its member(s), including the following conditions:

- Violation(s) take place at organization-sponsored or co-sponsored events, whether sponsorship is formal or implied.
- Violation(s) have received the consent or encouragement of the organization or of the organization's leaders or officers.
- Violation(s) were known or should have been known to the membership or its officers.

Conduct meetings for student groups or organizations shall also follow the Student Behavioral Expectations and Responsibilities Resolution Procedure. In any such action, individual determinations as to responsibility will be made and restrictions, conditions, and outcomes may be assigned collectively and individually, and will be proportionate to the involvement of each individual and the organization. Procedures will begin with communication to the President or leadership of said organization.

#### **Amnesty**

Assisting an individual by calling for help in an alcohol or drug-related emergency means neither the person who calls for help, nor the person who needs help will be subject to formal investigation nor receive a formal conduct record for their behavior. Students seeking assistance under these provisions may be required to meet with the SSAO and to complete educational, counseling, or other requirements aimed at addressing health and safety concerns. The requirements will be informal or on a deferred basis.

The student must fully comply with reporting to appropriate College officials for amnesty to be considered.

#### **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.
- Code of Conduct a document developed and published by 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 (2) 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 Vice President of Student Success to ensure that the action was taken pursuant to college policies. Students may be suspended from one class period by the responsible 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 24 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. **Fabrication** includes, but is not limited to, intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of any information or citation in an academic exercise.
- 9. Jurisdiction this procedure applies to behaviors from students that take place on a CCCS campus, at CCCS sponsored events, and may also apply to off-campus and to online behavior when the Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO) or designee determines that the off-campus or online behavior affects a substantial CCCS interest. A substantial CCCS or College interest includes, but is not limited to the following, when the circumstances are such that there is a disruption to CCCS or College operations, a significant negative impact to the campus community, or a detriment to the educational interests of the System or College:

- Any action that constitutes criminal offense as defined by federal or Colorado law. This includes, but is
  not limited to, single or repeat 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; and/or
- 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.
- 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 oncampus disruption. Otherwise, such communications are considered speech protected by the First Amendment to the Constitution.
- 10. 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Sites in Durango, Bayfield, and PCC Southwest Campus in Mancos, and any other locations where PCC classes or activities are conducted.
- 11. **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.
- 12. 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. This also includes self-plagiarism which is considered any attempt to take any of your own previously written papers, research, etc. and presenting it as a new document and not citing yourself and the previously written paper/research/etc.
- 13. **Respondent** is a student whose alleged conduct is the subject of a complaint or incident.
- 14. 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., Concurrent Enrollment (CE), TRIO, and Gateway students).
- 15. **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.
- 16. **Vice President of Student Success (VPSS)** through the Dean of Students is the Vice President of Student Success who has been designated by the College President to be responsible for the administration of the Student Code of Conduct and related disciplinary procedures.

**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 Vice President of Student Success (VPSS) through the Dean of Students. The Vice President of Student Success 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 VPSS 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.

# **Equity Statement**

The Colorado Community College System is committed to a procedure of equity and justice. We accept the responsibility to create an environment free from discrimination.

#### **Procedure**

# **Initiating a Conduct Process**

Any member of the System community may allege a violation by any student of the Code by reporting the matter to the appropriate Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO). The SSAO manages reports of Code violations made under this procedure and may delegate this responsibility. Students, faculty, instructors, staff, authorized volunteers, and guests are encouraged to report behavior that potentially violates the Code or that may be criminal in nature. Formal reports can be made by completing a College incident report. If the conduct is believed to be criminal in nature, the SSAO should immediately report the alleged violation to campus law enforcement or security or external law enforcement.

There is no time limit on reporting violations of the Code; however, the longer someone waits to report, the harder it becomes for College officials to obtain information and witness statements and to make determinations regarding alleged violations. Anonymous complaints are permitted, though doing so may limit the College's ability to investigate and respond to a complaint effectively.

Complaints, concerns, or reports without reasonable cause will not be pursued. Upon receipt of the report, the SSAO or designee shall review the matter to determine if it alleges sufficient information to support reasonable cause that a violation has occurred. If so, the SSAO shall promptly notify the Complainant (if any) and the Respondent in writing of the allegations and any interim action that is being imposed. Should a student withdraw from the institution prior to the conclusion of the conduct process, the College will proceed with or without the student's involvement.

The SSAO will identify a conduct resolution pathway as outlined below based on the nature of the allegations and input from the involved parties. Decisions made by the SSAO shall be final unless subject to appeal. Any outcomes and restrictions imposed take effect immediately unless the SSAO agrees to delay or stay the outcome.

Proceedings initiated under this procedure are separate from civil or criminal proceedings that may relate to the same incident. Investigations or conduct proceedings by the College are not postponed while criminal or civil proceedings are pending unless otherwise determined by the SSAO.

#### **Interim Actions**

The Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO), in consultation with appropriate administrative personnel, may implement interim actions intended to protect the safety and well-being of the CCCS community; preserve CCCS property; address the effects of the reported behavior; and prevent further violations while the matter is under review or investigation. Interim actions may include, but are not limited to:

- 1. <u>Interim No Trespass</u>: The SSAO may issue a "Cease Communications," "No Contact," and/or "No Trespass." directive. also referred to as a persona non grata.
- 2. <u>Interim Suspension</u>: This interim suspension includes attending classes and events pending a final outcome. This interim suspension begins immediately upon notice from the SSAO. In cases where a student is banned from campus on an interim basis, they will be subject to immediate arrest for trespass if they are on campus until the exclusion has been lifted. A meeting with an SSAO is then scheduled as soon as possible to determine the appropriate conduct resolution pathway.
- 3. Any other outcome listed in this procedure below may also be imposed on an interim basis.

In all cases in which an interim action is imposed, the individual will be given the opportunity to meet with the SSAO prior to such action being imposed, or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible, to show cause why the interim action should not be implemented. The SSAO shall have sole discretion to implement or stay an interim action, and to determine its conditions and duration. Violation of an interim action may be grounds for imposition of an outcome, up to and including expulsion.

# **Conduct Resolution Pathways**

#### **Alternative Conflict Resolution:**

The Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO), in consultation with the involved parties, may determine informally resolving student conduct matters through an alternative conflict resolution process is appropriate to resolve the reported concerns. The primary focus during alternative conflict resolution remains the welfare of the parties and the safety of the CCCS community, but it does not involve a formal investigation.

Alternative conflict resolution, includes, but is not limited to, dialogue, conflict coaching, mediation, restorative justice, or shuttle diplomacy. Alternative conflict resolution works best when students take responsibility for their actions, have a desire to restore the impact created in the incident, and actively participate in deciding and agreeing upon an outcome. If a resolution is reached, the matter will be closed without opportunity for an appeal.

At any time during the alternative conflict resolution process, the SSAO may elect to initiate formal investigation as deemed appropriate to resolve the matter. The parties can elect to cease the alternative conflict resolution process at any time before it concludes and proceed with a formal investigation.

# **Formal Investigation**

Where formal investigation is designated, the Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO) shall investigate the allegations, provide the Respondent an opportunity to be heard, and render a decision as outlined below:

1. <u>Investigation</u>: The SSAO shall provide the Respondent an opportunity to respond to the allegations either by meeting with the SSAO to discuss the allegations or by submitting a written response, or both. The Respondent will 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. An advisor may only consult and advise their advisee, but not speak for the advisee at any meeting or hearing. The SSAO may remove or dismiss an advisor who becomes disruptive or who does not abide by the restrictions on their participation.

The SSAO may also conduct any other investigation, such as meeting with the Complainant (if any), meeting with other relevant witnesses, and evaluating relevant documents, information, and evidence.

- 2. <u>Decision</u>: Once the investigation is complete, the SSAO shall render a decision as to whether a violation of the Code has occurred. The determination shall be based on the preponderance of evidence standard: whether it is more likely than not that the student violated the Code. The decision shall address whether alleged conduct occurred; whether and how the conduct violated the Code; and impose an outcome, if appropriate.
- 3. Notification of the decision in writing will be provided by the SSAO to the Respondent and any other involved parties, as appropriate. The decision will include information regarding the applicable appeals process. The decision is part of the student's educational record.

#### **Outcomes**

The following outcomes can be implemented by the Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO) as a result of finding a violation in the formal investigation process or as part of an agreed upon alternative conflict resolution. These outcomes are intended to develop an educational and restorative experience for individuals engaging with the conduct process. These outcomes may also be put in place to ensure safety of the individual and/or the CCCS community. Outcomes will be effective immediately upon notice to the student, except that the SSAO may delay or stay the effective date, in their discretion, upon request from the student (e.g., it may be appropriate to stay an outcome pending the resolution of an appeal).

- 1. <u>Loss of Privileges</u>: The student will be denied specified privileges for a designated period of time, from one to three semesters or one academic year.
- 2. <u>Building/Access Restriction</u>: The student will be denied access to specific campus locations, from one to three semesters or one academic year.
- 3. <u>Restriction on Visitation Privileges</u>: Restrictions that may be imposed on a residence hall student or non-residence hall student. The parameters of the restriction will be specified.
- 4. <u>Eligibility Restriction</u>: The student is deemed "not in good standing" with the College for a specified period of time, from one to three semesters or one academic year. Specific limitations or exceptions may be granted by the SSAO, and terms of this outcome may include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - Ineligibility to hold any office in any student organization recognized by the College or maintain an elected or appointed office at the College.
  - Ineligibility to represent the College in any way, including, but not limited to participating in the study abroad program, attending meetings, or representing the College at an official CCCS function, event, or intercollegiate competition as a player, manager, or student coach, etc.
- 5. **No Contact Orders**: If a "no contact" order is issued, it is the responsibility of the student not to have any contact with the individual(s) named in the order, directly or through third parties, or electronically/online until the order is officially removed by the SSAO.
- 6. College Housing Reassignment: Reassignment to another College housing facility.
- 7. <u>Restitution</u>: Compensation for damage caused to the College or any individual's property. This could also include situations such as failure to return a reserved space to proper condition, including labor costs and expenses. This is not a fine but, rather, a repayment for labor costs and/or the value of property destroyed, damaged, consumed, or stolen.
- 8. <u>Referral for Treatment/Assessment</u>: These include, but are not limited to, alcohol or drug education programs, anger management, or other relevant assessment and treatment programs. Some outcomes may include a cost or fee.
- College/Community Service Requirements: Completion of a specific supervised College/Community service.
- 10. <u>Confiscation of Prohibited Property</u>: Items whose presence is in violation of College policy (pipes, bongs, weapons, etc.) will be confiscated. Prohibited items may be handled, disposed of, or returned to the owner at the discretion of the SSAO.

- 11. <u>Educational Program/Project</u>: Requirement to complete an educational or reflection project designed to support students in their understanding of the overall impact of their behavior, or a requirement to attend, present, and/or participate in a program related to the violation. It may also be a requirement to sponsor or assist with a program for others on campus to aid them in learning about the violation for which the student was found responsible. Audience may be restricted.
- 12. **Warning**: An official notice that misconduct has occurred and/or that future specific behavior could result in more severe restrictions, conditions, and outcomes.
- 13. <a href="Probation">Probation</a>: A period of time in which the privilege of continuing as a student is conditioned upon meeting certain requirements. Any violation or failure to comply with restrictions while on probationary status could be escalated for further outcomes, including removal from CCCS. Additionally, students on probationary status typically will be required to meet with SSAO or other College personnel for follow up meetings. Probationary status may range from one semester up to duration of time at CCCS.
- 14. <u>Suspension</u>: Separation from a College for a specified minimum period of time, after which the student is eligible to petition the SSAO for permission to return. Eligibility for return may be contingent upon satisfaction of specific conditions. The student is required to vacate the campus immediately upon receipt of notification of a suspension. During the suspension period, the student is restricted from College property, functions, events, and activities without prior written approval from the SSAO. Additionally, students may be suspended from one class period per incident by the responsible faculty member or instructor without triggering this procedure. Any longer suspension must be referred to the SSAO.
- 15. **Expulsion**: Permanent separation from CCCS. The student is banned from CCCS College properties and the student's presence at any CCCS-sponsored activity or event is prohibited. This action may be enforced with a trespass action as necessary.
- 16. **No Trespass**: The College may issue a "No Trespass" directive, also referred to as a persona non
- 17. <u>Other:</u> Additional or alternate restrictions, conditions, or outcomes that promote reflection and holistic student development (e.g., creative expression, community restoration project) may be created and designed as deemed appropriate to the violation.

# **Appeal of Formal Investigation Decision**

A student found responsible for violating the Code through the formal investigation process has a right to appeal if suspension or expulsion are imposed.

If an outcome other than suspension or expulsion is imposed as a result of a formal investigation, a student may request in writing a discretionary appeal to the designated Appellate officer. A request for a discretionary appeal must be in writing and submitted to the Appellate officer within five (5) business days of the notice of decision. The Appellate Officer must notify the student in writing of whether the appeal will be permitted and if permitted, the below appeal deadlines apply from the date of that decision.

All appeals must be made in accordance with procedures outlined in this section.

# 1. Important Information about Appeals:

- The appeal is the final step in the conduct process.
- An appeal does not provide a second meeting or review of the case. The appeal process will be based on the existing record and the appeal criteria.
- Situations may occur that shift the timeframe of the appeal process. Considerations will be given for
  extenuating circumstances, including but not limited to, College holidays, family crisis, trauma, and
  medical/non-medical emergencies. Any extensions are made at the discretion of the Senior Student Affairs
  Officer (SSAO).
- Students are encouraged to consult with the SSAO and external resources about the appeal process prior to submitting the request for an appeal.

- 2. Appeals Criteria: A student may only appeal upon one or more of the following grounds:
  - A material procedural error occurred that significantly impacted the outcome of the factual findings, outcomes, or both (e.g., substantiated bias, conflict of interest, or material deviation from established procedures).
  - There is new information, unavailable during the formal investigation that could substantially impact the decision or the outcome. The new information must be included with the student's request for appeal and the student must show that the new information was not known to them at the time of investigation. Failure to participate in the initial investigation does not constitute new information for the appeal process.

# 3. Initial Review of Appeal:

Regardless if a case is appealed, all outcomes imposed in the case will go into effect immediately unless they are officially stayed pending the appeal decision.

Appeals must be filed in writing within ten (10) business days of the notice of the initial conduct decision or decision allowing discretionary appeal. A student may file a written appeal by completing and submitting the College's appeal form, if applicable, and sending it to the Appellate Officer. It is the student's obligation to provide any and all materials for consideration at the time of appeal submission. Subsequent information and/or revisions to the appeal after initial submission will not be accepted.

Upon receipt of an appeal, the Appellate Officer shall conduct an initial review to determine if the appeal meets the limited appeals criteria and is timely. The student will receive notification about the decision of the initial review of appeal within five (5) business days of receipt of the student's appeal. If the appeal is found to meet these criteria, the Appellate Officer shall give written notice to other involved parties, if applicable, to allow the other parties an opportunity to provide a response to the appeal.

# 4. Appeal Determination:

If it is determined an appeal meets the appeal criteria, the Appellate Officer will review the appeal.

In reviewing the appeal, the Appellate Officer may only consider the information contained in the record of the case, but may seek clarification of the decision rendered by the Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO).

Upon review of an appeal, the Appellate Officer shall have the authority to:

- Deny the appeal and affirm the initial decision and outcomes.
- Find that a material procedural error occurred (g., substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures) that impacted the outcome and refer the case back to the SSAO or an alternate designee with instructions to reconvene the investigation and/or the Appellate Officer may otherwise correct the procedural error.
- Find that the student has presented new information that is material to the decision or outcome of the
  case. Upon this finding, the Appellate Officer shall conduct or request appropriate additional steps
  (such as requesting additional investigation by the SSAO and/or modify the decision and outcome
  accordingly.

The Appellate Officer will notify the student in writing of the decision, typically within ten (10) business days of completing the review.

During this appeal process, if the Appellate Officer requires additional time, they shall promptly notify the parties.

#### Student Records

Student conduct records will be maintained in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and <u>SP 4-80a</u>, Student Educational Records and Directory Information. Generally, student conduct records are sealed seven (7) years after a final decision is delivered in the resolution process, except as required by law. Student conduct records may be sealed earlier by the Senior Student Affairs Officer (SSAO) upon written request from the student. Conduct records that result in a separation from the College (suspension or expulsion) and those that fall under Civil Rights, to include a Title IX investigation, will be maintained for seven (7) years.

#### **Financial**

Students who are suspended or expelled as a result of the conduct process will not receive a refund of any tuition, fees, or other charges, and will be responsible for any outstanding balances owed to the College. Students who are terminated from housing will be responsible for fulfilling their housing and dining contract fees, if applicable.

#### Retaliation

It is a violation of this procedure to engage in retaliation, such as taking adverse employment or educational action, against any person who reports an incident of a Code violation or because of the person's participation, or perceived participation, in any aspect of this procedure. Retaliation includes acts to intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual for the purposes of interfering with any right or privilege provided by this procedure.

# **Revising this Procedure**

CCCS reserves the right to change any provision or requirement of this procedure at any time and the change shall become effective immediately.

#### **Procedure**

The Vice President of Student Success 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 committee (made up of two (2) faculty or staff [of the two (2) faculty or staff, one serving as the hearing chair] and one (1) student)—totals three (3) members of the hearing committee. 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 19-60.

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

**Administrative**: The Dean of Students 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 achieved, the Dean of Students 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. Students that choose to have their allegation of misconduct addressed administratively, the student waives all rights to a formal hearing, and accepts the sanction imposed by the Dean of Students. This decision is final and not appealable.

**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.

# **Hearing Process**

The Student Conduct Administrative Hearing Committee made up of two (2) faculty or staff [of the two (2) faculty or staff, one serving as the hearing chair] and one (1) student)—totals three (3) members of the hearing committee 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 complainant and the respondent shall make themselves available to the Student Conduct Administrative Hearing Committee. The complainant and/or the respondent may have an advisor of choice, because the hearing is an administrative student conduct matter, it is not subject to the protocols of a legal proceeding. The advisor of choice is restricted to advise the complainant or the respondent and may not speak on behalf of the complainant and/or the respondent 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 complainant, respondent, advisor(s) or witness(es) fails to attend the hearing.

**STEP 3:** The complainant and/or respondent 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—character witnesses will not be able to participate in the hearing. The list of witnesses and brief statements will be shared with the hearing committee prior to the hearing; the hearing committee will determine the participation of the witnesses in the hearing and may determine other individuals that may need to participate in the hearing. The complainant and/or respondent 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 Student Conduct Administrative Hearing Committee, the complainant (and advisor if the complainant chooses to have one), the respondent (and advisor if the respondent chooses to have one), 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 Student Conduct Administrative Hearing Committee shall control the conduct of the hearing, the general order of which shall be as follows:

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

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

# Appeal (per SP 4-30)

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 (respondent) 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 (Vice President of Student Success) 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 (respondent) the decision must specifically cite the error(s) in the original determination on which the appeal is based. The <u>only grounds</u> for appeal are as follows:

- 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 <a href="SP 19-60">SP 19-60</a> the Appeals Officer or committee will return the complaint to the Title IX/EO Coordinator to reconsider in light of the new evidence, only. The reconsideration of the Dean of Students, designee, or Title IX/EO 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 three (3) business days of receiving the appeal request. The Appeals Officer or 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 (18) 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 SP 4-30)

- 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 SP 4-30)

#### 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 SP 4-30):

- 1. <u>Warning</u>: 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 Sanctions: 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 doesn't result in the student being denied the right of attending classes, or any combination of these.
- 4. <u>College Suspension or Expulsion</u>: 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 (3) 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 <a href="Board Policy 4-10">Board Policy 4-10</a>, <a href="Admission">Admission</a>, 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 eliqible 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 (1) class period by the responsible faculty member or adjunct instructor. Longer suspensions can only be implemented by the Vice President of Student Success 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 <u>Board Policy 4-10</u>, 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. <u>Interim Action</u>: An immediate action taken by the Vice President of Student Success, 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.

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# ACADEMIC INTEGRITY and ACADEMIC DISHONESTY/ACADEMIC ISSUES

Students who violate Pueblo Community College (PCC) 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 this 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. This **also includes self-plagiarism** which is considered any attempt to take any of your own previously written papers, research, etc. and presenting it as a new document and not citing yourself and the previously written paper/research/etc.

**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 Success 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 Success.

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 below-- a student found responsible for more than one incident of academic dishonesty, may receive additional academic 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, if the case is a second violation (or higher), 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 choose to not participate (is non-responsive) in the academic dishonesty process within three (3) working days of the Dean of Students 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 [of the two (2) faculty or staff, one serving as the hearing chair] and one (1) student)—totals three (3) members of the hearing committee 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, 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:

- A. 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).
- B. 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).
- C. Closing statements may be made by the student or instructor, if desired.
- D. 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 three (3) business day from 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 (3) 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Student Success may render a decision based on the facts or has the option of convening the Academic Integrity Review Committee.
  - A. Should the Vice President of Student Success choose to render a decision based on the facts and determines there is substantive error or new information could alter the original decision, the Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Student Success uphold the Academic Integrity Review Committee's decision, the Vice President of Student Success will notify the student and instructor of the final decision. The decision of the Vice President of Student Success is final and not appealable.

The Vice President of Student Success 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 are below—additionally, a student found responsible for more than one incident of academic dishonesty, may receive additional academic sanctions and disciplinary sanctions.

- 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.

# **GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES**

BP 4-31; SP 4-31 Revised December 1, 2016

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 <a href="PCC Human Resources">PCC Human Resources Office</a> (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 guickly 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 <u>website</u>. CDHE will only consider complaints pertaining to statewide transfer and GT Pathways issues. 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 (18) 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 Vice President of Instruction, 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 <u>BP 3-125</u> 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:

- a. Using a computer account that one is not authorized to use.
- b. Allowing another to use one's computer account.
- c. Obtaining a password for a computer account without the consent of the account owner.
- d. Using the College network to gain unauthorized access to any computer system.
- e. Knowingly performing an act that will interfere with the normal operation of computers, terminals, peripherals, or networks.
- f. 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.
- Violating terms of applicable software licensing agreements or copyright laws.
- j. Deliberately wasting computing resources.

- k. Using electronic mail to harass others.
- 1. 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 noninstructional 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 PCC Police Department or local law enforcement, the Human Resource Office, and the Vice President of Student Success 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 <a href="mailto:BP">BP</a> 3-90 and PCC adheres to these standards.

# **Drug & Alcohol**

Pueblo Community College is a state system community college governed by the Colorado Community College System (CCCS). The Board Policy <u>BP 3-24</u> 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 <u>BP 3-24</u>, 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 PCC Police Department 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 (six (6) percent beer), fermented
  malt liquor (3.2 percent beer), vinous, or spirituous liquor. The furnishing of alcoholic beverages to underage 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:

- 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.

#### 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.

# **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 <u>Colorado Revised Statute 16-22-110</u>, <u>and Colorado Revised Statute 16-22-112</u>. Registry information provided under this section in the statute 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 Driver 742 Turner Drive Durango, CO 81301 Durango, CO 81301 970.385.2900 970.247.1157

#### **PCC Southwest Site - Bayfield:**

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.
- PCC Wellness and Recreation Concurrent Enrollment students attending PCC classes on the Pueblo campus are allowed to use the Wellness & Recreation facility with written permission by their parents.
   Concurrent Enrollment students not attending PCC classes at the Pueblo campus can use the facility (with written parent permission) by paying the same rate as online students (\$20 per month or \$5 day pass rate)—payments can be made at the Cashier's Office.
- 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 Police Department (contact information listed at the end of the policy), and senior student services staff (i.e. Pueblo campus Vice President of Student Success (VPSS), Fremont campus Executive Dean, and SW campus Executive Dean) 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 by calling 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.

<u>Two Adult Rule</u> — 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 (2) 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.

<u>Mentoring</u> – Mentoring programs that involve private instruction (tutoring, laboratory, music instruction, etc.) when there is only one (1) 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.

<u>Hugging</u> – 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.

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

<u>Constructive Discipline</u> – 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.

<u>Cameras</u> – 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.

**<u>Bullying Prohibited</u>** – Verbal, physical, and cyber bullying are prohibited.

<u>Report!</u> – 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 Pueblo Community College (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 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 Police Department (listed below), and senior student services staff (i.e. Pueblo campus Vice President of Student Success (VPSS), Fremont campus Executive Dean, and SW campus Executive Dean) 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 by calling 844.264.5437.

# **PCC Campus Police**

Pueblo Campus: 719.549.3355

Fremont Campus: 719.296.6130

# PCC Southwest Campus - Cortez:

Cortez Police Department Montezuma County Sheriff's Department

970.565.8441 970.565.8444

# **PCC Southwest Site – Durango:**

Durango Police Department La Plata County Sheriff's Department

970.385.2900 970.247.1157

#### PCC Southwest Site - Bayfield:

Bayfield Marshal's Office 1199 Bayfield Parkway Bayfield, CO 81122 970.884.9544

# **Complaints: Reporting a Concern or Incident**

Pueblo Community College (PCC) welcomes comments, suggestions, and feedback from students, clients, guests, community members, and volunteers. Individuals are encouraged to provide feedback or seek resolution about any concern or complaint at the lowest and most informal level, progressing through the chain of command at all PCC campuses and sites. If the concern or complaint has not been resolved through the informal process, please submit a written complaint through the one of the following links that best identifies the area of concern or complaint.

<u>Academic Concerns</u>: Use this form to report an academic concern. An academic concern is defined as a concern with instructor behavior, class policies and/or practices, and unfair expectations or demands.

#### Academic Concern Form

<u>Concern/Complaint</u>: Use this form to report a complaint about a service department or an employee in a service department. If your concern or complaint is about an instructor or an issue relating to an academic course, please use the Academic Concern Form. Examples of service departments are the Go!Zone, Financial Aid, Cashier, PCC Police Department, Advising, Bookstore, etc.

#### Concern/Complaint Form

<u>Student Conduct or Distressing/Disturbing Student Behavior</u>: Use this form to report alleged violations of the PCC Student Code of Conduct, including academic misconduct, as well as distressing or disturbing student behavior.

# Student Conduct/ Distressing or Disturbing Student Behavior

<u>Discrimination/Harassment Complaint</u>: Use this form if you believe that you have been unlawfully discriminated against, harassed, or otherwise harmed. You are encouraged to fill out this form; however, you can also contact PCC Human Resources at 719.549.3220 or by email at <a href="PCCHR@pueblocc.edu">PCCHR@pueblocc.edu</a> to have your complaint addressed.

# Discrimination/Harassment Complaint Form

<u>Facilities Concern</u>: Use this form to report a problem or concern about a College building, classroom, exterior grounds, etc. Please note the quickest and most effective way to submit your concern is by contacting the Facilities Office at 719.549.3345 or by speaking with a Facilities or Housekeeping staff member.

# **Facilities Concern**

# **Complaint Procedures**

Anyone taking courses at Pueblo Community College (PCC) 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 <u>Higher Learning Commission</u>, 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 <u>list of agencies in each state</u> 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 present a
  photo ID and submit a signed schedule adjustment form.
- Log on to <u>myPCC Portal</u>.

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 and participated in any academically related activities between the start of the course and the census date. For lecture and lab classes where the student physically attends the class, the student must attend class and participate through direct interaction with the instructor prior to the census date. For online courses where the student is required to log into the class, the student must log into the course shell and submit an assignment, post to a discussion board, or complete a tutorial prior to the census date in order to be considered "attending." Students dropped as no-shows will receive a full refund of tuition and fees. Students who may encounter unusual or extenuating circumstances may request a late drop after census. Extenuating 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. For a statement about PCC's refund policy, see the Tuition and Fees section of the PCC college catalog.

# Withdrawing from Courses

It is the <u>student's</u> responsibility to initiate all withdrawals (from a course or the college) by meeting with their instructor, advisor, or Success Coach. After the meeting, students should contact the financial aid office, and initiate the process electronically or go to the college "Go!Zone" for assistance. Faculty <u>will not</u> withdraw students for lack of attendance but will instead 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 Vice President of Student Success. 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 Office of the Vice President of Student Success.

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.

To post flyers at the PCC Southwest Campus, please drop off the flyers in the Go!Zone at one of the three SW locations (Bayfield, Durango, or Mancos). The Director of Student Services or Site Coordinator will determine if the flyers are appropriate to post and will stamp each flyer approved for posting. Go!Zone employees/staff 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 intents 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Human Resources 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 Vice President of Student Success will be responsible for distributing this policy to the College community and responding to any questions concerning the policy by students.

Questions regarding this policy may be directed to the Vice President of Student Success.

# **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 Success 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 Vice President of Student Success or designee to identify an appropriate location.

Access will be granted on a term-by-term basis. Students will need to contact the Vice President of Student Success 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 Vice President of Student Success.

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 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.
- 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 Vice President of Human Resources, 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 L104 - 719.296.6130; PCC Southwest Campus and Sites: contact 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 Vice President of Student Success 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 Academic Services at 970.564.6205, or the Executive Dean at 970.564.6222: Fremont Campus: contact Public Safety at 719.296.6130, Room L104; 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 Vice President of Student Success. The Vice President of Student Success 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.

Form of Notice/Release	Description of Notice/Release	Description of JCCC Activity and/or Use of Photograph/Recording	Examples of Typical Use
None	N/A	Unidentifiable subjects at public or non-public activities	Crowd shots, silhouettes, out of focus shots, posterior shots, etc.
Blanket Public Notice	Photography & Recording of College Activities statement - Publicly posted statement on college website informing members of the college community that the college photographs and records its activities	Public activities located on college property or otherwise supported/sponsored by the college, including college life, events and ceremonies open to the public	Daily campus life in outdoor spaces and public locations on campus, graduation; athletics games.
Targeted Public Notice	Temporary signage or verbiage in promotional materials for the event (brochures, website information, etc.) indicating to participants and attendees that the event is	Activities that are accessible to the public or members of the college community by invitation or ticket entry; Activities that are open to the public but held in areas not generally	Performing arts events; Town Hall style meetings; Recording student course work for grading purposes only; etc.

Form of Notice/Release	Description of Notice/Release	Description of JCCC Activity and/or Use of Photograph/Recording	Examples of Typical Use
	being photographed/recorded	open to the public during college business hours; Photographs/recordings that will be taken for limited internal purpose and destroyed/deleted immediately after	
Individual Verbal Notice and Permission	College photographers and videographers verbally inform subjects that they have taken or will take photographs or recordings of the subject and subject has no objection; Verbal permission may be recorded on camera.	College activities public or non-public when identifiable individual or small group shots (≤ 5 people) are taken and/or will be expected to be published informally	Classroom shots.
Individual Written Notice and Permission	Signed/written permission from subject to take and use photographs and recordings.	Non-public activities where subjects would not reasonably expect to be photographed/recorded; Photographs/recordings of identifiable minors (Note: The release must be signed by a parent/guardian on behalf of the minor); Photographs/recording used for high-profile promotions or materials that are sold/licensed commercially.	College website cover story, course catalog, marketing brochure; Guest Speakers; Third-party training; Summer Youth Camps or childcare center activities; etc.

# 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 Vice President of Student Success, 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 Vice President of Student Success 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)

# 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 Police Department, and Dean of Students. For more information, feel free to contact any of the following offices: Vice President of Human Resource Officer/Title IX Coordinator; Vice President of Student Success; Dean of Students, and Chief of Pueblo Community College Police Department.

<sup>\*</sup>Per Colorado Community College System. This is subject to change without notice.

# **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 <u>BP 19-10</u> and <u>Colorado Revised Statute 18-12-105</u>, 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
- Colorado Crises Services 1.844.493.8255; Text "TALK" to 38255
- 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
- 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
- HIV/AIDS Hotline: 1.800.CDC.INFO (1.800.232.4636)
- Health Solutions 719.545.2746
- Pueblo City/County Health Department: 719.583.4300
- Teen Crisis Line-Runaway Hotline-Covenant House "9" Line: 1.800.999.9999
- The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1.800.273.8255
- 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
- Colorado Crises Services 1.844.493.8255; Text "TALK" to 38255
- 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 SW Locations Axis Crises Line 970.247.5245
  - Emergency Suicide Prevention 970.247.5245
  - Crossroads Emergencies, Durango, CO 970.403.0180
- Colorado Crises Services 1.844.493.8255; Text "TALK" to 38255
- 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 970.563.4581 (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** 

**Bullying Awareness & Prevention** 

Choosing the Best Inpatient Addiction and Domestic Violence or Sexual Abuse Recovery Center

Colorado Anti-Violence Program, Building Safety and Justice for LGBTQ Communities

Colorado Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Colorado Coalition Against Sexual Assault

Colorado Crisis Services

**Detox Centers and Drug Rehab** 

**Drug Addiction Help** 

Guidebook to Addiction on College Campuses

**Local Addiction Resources** 

Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network

RehabSpot

**Start Your Recovery** 

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. Please see special note (below) on service animals.
- 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 Police Department 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.

# **Special Note on Service Animals:**

Service animals are welcome on campus and are <u>not required</u> to be registered with the Disability Resources Center or get approval of their presence on campus, as they are allowed and protected under ADA. Please note that while service animals are allowed on campus, support/therapy/comfort animals are not. A service animal, under ADA, is defined as a dog that has been individually <u>trained</u> to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability.

# Please note that service animals and their handlers/owners must also abide by the following policies while on campus:

- Service animals must be under control of the handler/owner at all times and are not allowed to wander around freely, barking, playing, running, sniffing through bags, getting on classroom/office furniture and going up to other people or service animals.
- Service animals can be off-leash ONLY IF tethering/leashing the animal hinders it from performing its trained task for the student.
- Service animals must be housebroken.
- Service animals must not exhibit any dangerous behaviors; such as, growling, aggressive barking, snapping, biting or lunging.

If a service animal and their handler/owner are not adhering to the above policies, handler/owner will be asked to remove the service animal from the classroom/office/campus event. If there is an incident, PCC staff/faculty/instructors are required to **submit a Behavior Report** to document the incident.

If you have questions concerning these policies, please feel free to contact the Disabilities Resources Center at 719-549-3446 or <u>Disability.Resources@Pueblocc.edu</u>.

# **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 (8 GB recommended)
- Monitor and graphics card with 1024x768 resolution
- A webcam and microphone capable of video conferencing. A headset with a microphone and speakers is preferred and highly recommended.
- Antivirus software
- Internet connectivity 5 MB dedicated bandwith per online user
- Protection plan/warranty

# **Tech Level MOBILE**

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

#### **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 (16 GB recommended)\*
- Supported graphics card\*\*
- Monitor with 1024x768 or greater resolution
- A webcam and microphone capable of video conferencing. A headset with a microphone and speakers is preferred and highly recommended.
- Antivirus software
- Internet connectivity 5 MB dedicated bandwith per online user
- Protection plan/warranty
- \*Please refer to current software system requirements
- \*\*Visit https://knowledge.autodesk. com/certified-graphics-hardware for more information on graphics cards.

#### **Industrial Maintenance majors**

Please be advised that the Simutech software used in this program is **not compatible** with Apple devices.

# Tech Level THREE

# Laptop Computer: Media Communications

- Windows 10 64-bit w/ Current Build / Mac OS 10.13
- Multicore processor with 64-bit support\*
- RAM: 16 GB or greater\*
- 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 webcam and microphone capable of video conferencing. A headset with a microphone and speakers is preferred and highly recommended.
- Antivirus software
- Internet connectivity 5 MB dedicated bandwith per online user
- Protection plan/warranty
- \*Please refer to current Adobe software system requirements
- \*\*Visit https://knowledge.autodesk. com/certified-graphics-hardware for more information on graphics cards.

# Do school work almost anywhere, anytime.

# 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.



# 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 is on the main Pueblo campus and the Fremont campus has a small branch library. All college locations have Course Reserve collections providing on-campus access to select textbooks. All currently enrolled students have 24/7 online access to the library's plentiful academic <u>databases</u> and <u>eBooks</u> simply by entering their S number at the prompt. Virtual reference assistance is also available from the library's webpage by selecting the <u>Book a Librarian</u> option. Additional research help can be located in the PCC Library Classroom on D2L. On-campus library services will vary by location and this information can be obtained by calling the PCC Library at 719.549.3305, or emailing libraryservices@pueblocc.edu.

# **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.

# **PCC Wellness and Recreation**

PCC Wellness & Recreation, located on the lower level of the Student Center in Room 159 next to the Bookstore, offers a wide selection of cardo machines, free weights, and cable machines. Wellness & Rec 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 to check into the facility during every visit using their student ID.

In addition to the fitness center, PCC Wellness & Rec also has a variety of wellness videos on the <u>Wellness & Rec YouTube Channel</u>. Check out our <u>website</u> for more info on self-care resources, current hours of operation, and much more.

PCC Wellness & Rec does offer student employment opportunities. Open positions are posted in the Wellness & Rec facility and on the PCC Career Connections website.

# **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. Students may also access services remotely. Schedules of availability, instructions on how to access remote tutoring, and links to connect with tutors can be found on your D2L home page. Click on the "Free Tutoring" link to access these resources.

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.

Any questions may be directed to the Tutorial Services Manager by calling 719.549.3393.

# **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**

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act of 1990, also known as the Clery Act, the Pueblo Community College Annual Security Report (ASR) is published each year in order to provide accurate information to potential and current students and employees about campus crime statistics, campus crime logs, and policies regarding the safety and security of the campus community. This report covers the main Pueblo Campus of Pueblo Community College, as well as other campuses: Fremont Campus, PCC Southwest Campus (Mancos), and PCC Southwest Sites (Durango and Bayfield).

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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 Go!Zones at the Fremont and PCC Southwest campuses. 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 2021; Costs subject to change without notice

Area	Office - Location	Cost (*)	Phone
Medical Needs	Health Clinic	PCC and Pueblo Community	
See a Primary Care Provider	MT 118	Health Center have partnered to	
Prescriptions	Pueblo Campus	provide Health Care services.	
Flu Shots	·	This clinic does bill insurance. If	719.549.3315
Vaccines		you do not have health insurance,	
Physicals		the clinic can help assist you with	
Illness / Minor Injuries		benefits determination including	
Birth Control		Medicaid or PCHC's sliding fee	
Smoking Cessation		scale.	
Referrals			
Behavioral Health Counseling			
Dental – Hygiene	Dental Hygiene Clinic	Child cleaning - \$25	
Cleaning	HS 109 and MT 130	Regular cleaning – \$30	
X-rays	(Pueblo Campus Only)	Deep scaling & root planning-\$80	719.549.3286
Dental Hygiene exams		Periodontal Maintenance - \$40	
Sealants		X-rays – additional fee	
Cosmetology – Hair and Nail	PCC Salon and Spa is		
Care	located at:	DISCOUNTED PRICES available	PCC
Includes the following	700 West Abriendo	for students, faculty, and staff at	719.549.3160
services:	(Corner of 4 <sup>th</sup> and Abriendo	PCC as well as seniors	
Hair coloring	Avenue – across from	Monthly specials are also offered	
Haircutting	Loaf-n-Jug)		
Perm waving			
Facials			
Hair removal			
Artificial nails			
Manicuring and Pedicuring			
Fitness	PCC Wellness and	Use of the facility are included in	
Cardio equipment	Recreation	tuition and fees for Pueblo	719.549.3063
Cable weight machines	SC 159	campus students.	
Free weights	(Pueblo Campus Only)	A variety of wellness videos on	
A variety of wellness videos		the Wellness & Rec You Tube	
on the Wellness & Rec You		Channel and info on self-care	
Tube Channel and self-care		resources, current hours of	
resources		operation, and much more on our	
		website	

#### **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 and PCC Southwest Campuses. 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 <u>PCC Parking Rules and Regulations</u>. The complete PCC Parking Rules and Regulations can be found at the following <u>website</u>. They may also be obtained at the Welcome Center at the Pueblo Campus and the Go!Zones at the Fremont and PCC Southwest Campuses.

# **PCC Schedule of Classes**

The latest PCC Schedule of Classes is available for viewing one week prior to the start of registration (fall registration opens in April; spring and summer registration opens in November). To view the schedule and search for classes, visit myPCC Portal.

#### **PCC** on the Internet

The <u>PCC website</u> 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:

Vice President of Student Success 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 <u>Biennial Report</u> 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 Office of the Vice President of Student Success, Student Center, Room 261. Also, the Report is located on the College's website.

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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., Vice President of Human Resources/<u>Title IX</u> Coordinator and Vice President of Student Success.

### **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. Students with disabilities can access the Voter Registration Application in the Disability Resources Office.

### Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The <u>Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974</u> (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 <u>web link</u> 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 <u>Disclaimer and Legal Notices link</u> to find this valuable information; currently this information is also located on the bottom of <u>PCC's website</u> and named "Disclaimers and Legal Notices".

#### **Student Handbook**

The <u>Student Handbook</u> 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**

Academic Advising	
Go!Zone (A-103)	719.296.6100
Academic Dishonesty	
Director of Student Services (A109)	.719.296.6105
Academic Probation or Academic Suspension	
Go!Zone (A-103) Appeal Forms	719.296.6100
Registrar's Office (SC-273 – Go!Zone)	719. 549.3016
Application for Admissions	
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Change of Major	
Go!Zone (A-103)	719.296.6100
Childcare Referral Services	
Children First (L108)	719.296.6118
Disability Services	
Disability Resources Office (AB-120)	719.549.3446
Discipline Issues (Students)	
Director of Student Services (A-109)	719.296.6105
Discrimination (2.1.4.4.2)	
Affirmative Action/Personnel–Human Resources (CA-112).	719.549.3220
Doctor (see Health Clinic)	
Dropping & Adding Classes	740 000 0400
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Financial Aid	740 000 0400
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Financial Aid Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)	719.549.3200
Grades	
See Your Instructor Registrar's Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)	710 540 2016
Graduation	7 19.549.3016
Go!Zone (A-103)	710 206 6100
Pogiatrar's Office (SC 261 ColZane)	710 540 2010
Registrar's Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone) <b>Health Clinic</b> (A-103)	710.549.3010
Health Insurance Information	7 19.549.5515
Go!Zone (A-103)	710 206 6100
ID Cards – Student and Staff	.7 19.290.0100
Go!Zone (A-103)	710 206 6100
Learning Center	.7 13.230.0100
Learning Center (L121)	719 296 6104
myPCC eLearning	7 10.200.0101
Office (AB-210)	719.549.3310
Parking & Tickets	
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Student Studio	
Student Center (SC-155)	719.549.3093
Payment of Tuition & Fees	
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Cashier's Office (SC-231)	
Police Department	
Scholarship Information	
Financial Aid Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)	719.549.3200
Foundation Office (AB-194)	
Go!Zone (A-103)	.719.296.6100
Security (See Police Department)	

Student Grievances	
Director of Student Services (A-109)719.296.6	105
Student Discipline	
Director of Student Services (A-109)719.296.6	105
Student ID Cards	
Go!Zone (A-103)719.296.6	3100
Student Life and Leadership	
Director of Student Services (A-109)719.296.6	105
Student Records	
Go!Zone (A-103)719.296.6	3100
Support Services	
TRIO Student Support Services (AB-154)719.549.3	
Director of Student Services (A-109)719.296.6	105
Testing Services (Basic Skills)	
Testing Center (L124)	104
Transcripts	
Go!Zone (A103)719.296.6	100
Tutorial Services	
Learning Center (L101)719.296.6	104
Upward Bound	05.4
TRIO Upward Bound (AB-154)719.549.3	254
Vehicle Registration	1100
Go!Zone (A-103)	100
Veterans Services	2400
Go!Zone (A-103)	5100
Withdrawal from PCC	2400
Go!Zone (A-103)	100
Withdrawal from Classes Go!Zone (A-103)719.296.6	:100
Meet with class instructor to advise intent to withdraw.	100

# **GUIDE TO SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE - Pueblo Campus**

Academic Advising
Faculty Advisors (see class schedule)
PCC Go!Zone (SC261-Second Floor)
Advising Center (SC-261 – Go!Zone)
Academic Dishonesty
Dean of Students (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3035
Academic Probation or Academic Suspension
Registrar's Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3016
Application for Admissions
PCC Go!Zone (SC-Second Floor)719.549.3014
Change of Major
Admissions Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3014
Childcare Referral Services
Children First (AB-174)719.549.3411
Disability Services
Disability Resources Office (AB-120)719.549.3446
Discipline Issues (Students)
Vice President of Student Success (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3080
Dean of Students (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3035
Discrimination/Harassement
Affirmative Action/Title IX/HR–Human Resources (CA-112) 719.549.3220
Doctor (see Health Clinic)
Dropping & Adding Classes
Your Campus Go!Zone
Financial Aid
Financial Aid Office (SC-261- Go!Zone)
Grades
See Your Instructor
Registrar's Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3016
Graduation
See Your Advisor
Registrar's Office (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3018
Health Clinic (MT-118)
Health Insurance Information
Your Campus Go!Zone
ID Cards – Student and Staff
Welcome Center (SC First Floor)719.549.3061
Learning Center
Learning Center (AB-042)719.549.3393
myPCC eLearning
Office (AB-210)
Parking & Tickets
Welcome Center (SC First Floor)719.549.3061
Payment of Tuition & Fees
Cashier's Office (SC-231)
PCC Police Department (SC-152)
Scholarship Information
Financial Aid Office (SC-261 - Go!Zone)
Foundation Office - 1018 W. Orman Avenue719.544.0677
Student Grievances
Vice President of Student Success (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3080
Dean of Students (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3035

Student Discipline
Vice President of Student Success (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3080
Dean of Students (SC-261 – Go!Zone)719.549.3035
Student ID Cards
Welcome Center (SC First Floor)719.549.3061
Student Life and Leadership
Associated Student Government Office (SC-250)719.549.3319
Student Records
See your PCC Go!Zone
Testing Services (Basic Skills)
Testing Center (AB-134)719.549.3091
Transcripts
See your PCC Go!Zone
Transfer Services
Go!Zone – (SC261)719.549.3036
TRIO Services
Educational Opportunity Center (EOC) PCC Go!Zone719.549.3081
Student Support Services (AB-154)719.549.3045
Upward Bound (AB-154)719.549.3254
Upward Bound Math and Science (AB-154)719.549.3254
Veterans Upward Bound (AB-194A)719.549.3077
Tutorial Services
Learning Center (AB-042)719.549.3393
Vehicle Registration
Welcome Center (SC First Floor)719.549.3061
Veterans Services
Admissions Office PCC Go!Zone719.549.3013
Dr. Davis Academic Building, Room 194719.549.3077
Withdrawal from PCC
See PCC Go!Zone
Withdrawal from Classes
Meet with class instructor to advise intent to withdraw.

## President's Office

President Dr. Patty Erjavec	CA-110	719.549.3213
Vice President of Human Resources, Title IX, & Affirmative Action Mr. Ken Nufer	CA-111	719.549.3220
Institutional Research Mr. Cory Butts	CA-103	719.549.3064
Marketing & Public Relations Ms. Erin Hergert	CA-207	719.549.3226

Meet with Financial Aid to determine impact of withdraw on Financial Aid.

## **Student Services Division**

Vice President of Student Success Dr. Heather Speed	SC-261	719.549.3080
Academic Advising Mr. Michael Gage	SC-261	719.549.3177
Admissions & Records/Registrar Ms. Barbara Benedict	SC-261	719.549.3085
Bookstore – The Nook - Pueblo Campus Ms. Willi Bradburn	SC-140	719.549.3065
Children First Ms. Angela Shehorn	AB-174	719.549.3411
Concurrent Enrollment Mr. Chase Watts	SC-234	719.549.3036
Customer Solutions Center Mr. Richie Ince	121 City Center Dr., Pueblo, CO 81003	719.549.3455
Dean of Students Mr. Vernon J. James	SC-261	719.549.3035
Financial Aid Ms. Monica Hardwick	SC-261	719.549.3200
Health Clinic Ms. Lynne Evetts	MT-118	719.549.3318
Office of Recruitment Mr. Chase Watts	SC-234	719.549.3116
Student Life & Leadership Ms. Toni Skilling	SC-261	719.549.3019
TRIO – Student Support Services Ms. Andrea Martinez	AB-154	719.549.3045
TRIO – Upward Bound Mr. Gabriel Lucero	AB-154I	719.549.3254

## **Academic Division**

Dean of Arts & Sciences Dr. Young Kim	AB-230	719.549.3247
Dean of Business & Advanced Technology Ms. Jennifer Sherman	GC-104	719.549.3322
Dean of Health Professions & Public Safety Dr. Andrew Miller	MT-176	719.549.3280
<b>Dean of Nursing</b> Dr. Andrew Miller	HS-205	719.549.3405
Dean of Fremont Campus Mr. Mark Peacock	51320 W. Hwy. 50 Cañon City, CO 81212	719.296.6106
Executive Director, Pueblo Corporate College Ms. Amanda Corum	GC-201B	719.549.3163
Executive Dean of PCC Southwest Campus (Mancos) Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu	33057 Hwy 160, Mancos, CO 81328	970.564.6222
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Executive Dean of PCC Southwest Site (Durango Site) Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu	Durango High School 2320 Main Avenue Durango, CO 81301	970.564.6222
<b>Executive Dean of PCC Southwest</b>	110 East South	
Site (Bayfield)	Street	970.564.6222
Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu	Bayfield, CO 81122	

## **Administration & Finance Division**

Vice President of Admin & Finance Mr. Robert Gonzales	CA-211	719.549.3340
Cashier's Office Ms. Jill Sanchez	SC-231	719.549.3212
Computer Services Mr. Bryan Crawford	CA-011	719.562.7000
Facility Services Mr. Joe Waneka	SJ-120	719.549.3345
Fiscal Operations Mr. Robert Gonzales	CA-207	719.549.3327
Grounds & Housekeeping Mr. Joe Waneka	SJ-122	719.549.3288
Police Department Chief William Brown	SC-152	719.549.3355

**Academic Support Division** 

Vice President of Academic Support Dr. Todd Ecklund	AB-210Q	719.549.3175
Disability Services Ms. Bonnie Clark	AB-120B	719.549.3449
Learning Center	AB-043	719.549.3393
Library Ms. Christina McGrath	AB-110A	719.549.3308
myPCC eLearning		
Mr. Robin Leach	AB-210J	719.549.3310
Ms. Nancy Scofield	AB-210B	719.549.3356
Scheduler Ms. Tamara Housh	AB-210A	719.549.3218
Testing Center Ms. Duemece Aragon	AB-134E	719.549.3091

## Fremont Campus, PCC Southwest Colorado Campuses

Fremont Campus Mr. Mark Peacock	51320 W. Highway 50 Cañon City, CO 81212	719.269.6100
PCC Southwest Campus (Mancos) Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu	33057 Hwy 160, Mancos, CO 81328	970.564.6201
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PCC Southwest Site (Bayfield) Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu	110 East South Street Bayfield, CO 81122	970.385.2098

# Other Offices of Interest

Bookstore – The Nook Pueblo Campus	SC-140	719.549.3065
Bookstore – Fremont Campus www.pueblocc.bncollege.com		719.540.3065
Bookstore – PCC Southwest Site (Durango) www.pueblocc.bncollege.com		719.549.3065
Bookstore – PCC Southwest Campus (Mancos) www.pueblocc.bncollege.com		719.549.3065
Foundation Office Ms. Martha Simmons	1018 W. Orman Ave. Pueblo, CO 81004	719.544.0677
PEAK (The Place for Enrichment and Academic Knowledge at PCC)  Ms. Jill Young	SC-241	719.549.3066
Print Shop	MT-190	719.549.3126
PCC Wellness and Recreation Dean Vernon James	SC-159	719.549. 3363

# **GUIDE TO SERVICES AND ASSISTANCE – PCC Southwest Campus and Sites**

Academia Advisias	
Academic Advising	070 205 2000
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Academic Dishonesty	970.564.6228
Director of Student Services	970.304.0220
Academic Probation or Academic	
Suspension	970.564.6228
Director of Student Services	
Application for Admissions	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Career Information	970.304.0201
	070 395 3009
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Change of Major	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6228
Disability Services	
Disability Resources Office (Pueblo)	719.549.3446
Mancos Campus Representative	970.564.6273
Discipline Issues (Students)	
Mancos Director of Student Services	970.564.6228
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2012
OR SW Executive Dean	970.564.6222
	970.304.0222
Discrimination	740 540 0000
Affirmative Action/Personnel Human	719.549.3220
Resources (Pueblo)	
Dropping & Adding Classes	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6228
Financial Aid	070 504 0000
Mancos	970.564.6228
Grades	
See Your Instructor	
Graduation	
Bayfield	070 395 2009
	970.385.2098 970.385.2020
Durango	
Mancos Ottobart and Ottoff	970.564.6203
ID Cards – Student and Staff	070 007 0005
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Learning Center	070 564 6070
Mancos Learning Center	970.564.6273
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Payment of Tuition & Fees	
Mancos Cashier's Office	970.564.6203
Public Safety	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2098
Mancos	970.564.6201
Scholarship Information	970.304.0201
· ·	070 205 2000
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Security (See Public Safety)	
Student Grievances	
Mancos Director of Student Services	970.564.6228
OR SW Executive Dean	970.564.6222
Student Discipline	
Mancos Director of Student Services	970.564.6228
OR SW Executive Dean	970.564.6222
Student Life and Leadership	970.564.6228
Mancos Director of Student Services	370.004.0220
Student Records	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2012
Mancos	970.564.6203
Support Services	
Mancos Director of Student Services	970.564.6228
Testing & Academic Support	970.564.6273
Testing Services (Basic Skills)	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6273
Transcripts	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6201
Transfer Services	
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6203
Tutorial Services	
Mancos Learning Center	970.564.6273
Veterans Services	0.0.00.10270
Pueblo	719.549.3015
Withdrawal from Classes	7 10.0 70.0010
Bayfield	970.385.2098
Durango	970.385.2020
Mancos	970.564.6228
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## President's Office

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Dr. Samuel "Sam" A. Dosumu		

Special Assistant to the Executive Dean Becky Damman	126B	970.564.6233
Marketing & Public Relations Becky Damman	126B	970.564.6233

### **Student Success Division**

Director of Student Success Lisa Molina	100B	970.564.6228
Admissions & Records Bayfield Durango Mancos		970.385.2098 970.385.2020 970.564.6203
Financial Aid Bayfield Durango Mancos		970.385.2098 970.385.2020 970.564.6228
Durango Site Mr. Joaquin McDonald, Director	2320 Main Ave. Durango, CO 81301	970.385.2012
Bayfield Site Ms. Bethany Powell	110 East South Street Bayfield, CO 81122	970.385.2098
Regional High School Outreach Coordinator Jennifer Reynolds	102A	970.564.6223

### **Academic Division**

Regional Director of Academic		
Services	107	970.564.6205
Perry Pepper		

### Administration & Finance Division

Cashier's Office PCCSW - Kiesa Howell	102B	970.564.6203
Facility Services, Grounds & Housekeeping	121	970.564.6217
Mancos - Greg Becker		

## **Academic Support Division**

Learning Center	114	970.564.6273
Testing Center	113	970.564.6273
Tutorial Services	111	970.564.6273

## Other Offices of Interest

Workforce Development Mancos - Stan Eubanks	202	970.564.6230
Corporate College / EWDD  Mancos	203	970.564.6230

## 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

#### **Notice of Non-Discrimination**

Pueblo Community College prohibits all forms of discrimination and harassment including those that violate federal and state law or the State Board for Community Colleges and Occupational Education Board Policies 3-120 and 4-120. The College does not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion, genetic information, gender identity, or sexual orientation in its employment practices or educational programs and activities. Pueblo Community College will take appropriate steps to ensure that the lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in vocational education programs.

The College has designated the Vice President of Human Resources as its AA/EEO and Title IX Coordinator, with the responsibility to coordinate the college's Civil Rights Compliance Activities and Grievance Procedures. If you have any questions, please contact the Vice President of Human Resources, 900 W. Orman Avenue, Central Administration Building, Room 111, telephone 719.549.3220, email <a href="https://document.org/lea/HR.PCC@Pueblocc.edu">HR.PCC@Pueblocc.edu</a>. You may also contact the Office for Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Region VIII, Federal Office Building, 1244 North Speer Blvd., Suite 310, Denver, CO 80204; phone: 303.844.3417.

#### Aviso de no discriminación

Pueblo Community College (PCC) prohíbe todas formas de discriminación y acoso, inclusive violación de leyes federales y estatales o las políticas educativas 3-120 y 120 4 del Consejo Estatal de Colegios Comunitarios y Laborales. El Colegio no discrimina en base al sexo/género, raza, color, edad, credo, origen nacional o étnico, incapacidad física o mental, estado de veterano, estado de embarazo, religión, información genética, identidad de género o orientación sexual en sus prácticas de empleo, programas educativos, o actividades que ofrece el Colegio. PCC tomará medidas apropiadas para asegurar que la falta de conocimientos del idioma inglés no será un impedimento para la inscripción y participación en programas de educación vocacional.

El Colegio ha designado el Vicepresidente de Recursos Humanos como su Coordinador de AA/EEO y Título IX, con la responsabilidad de coordinar las actividades de cumplimiento de los derechos civiles de la universidad y los procedimientos de quejas. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con el Vicepresidente de Recursos Humanos, 900 W. Orman Avenue, Central Administration Building, Room 111, teléfono 719.549.3220, correo electrónico <a href="https://documento.org/https://documento.o