

advisors to student organizations and any other official with significant responsibility for student and campus activities. The information to be shared includes the date, the location of the incident (using Clery location categories) and the Clery crime category. This reporting protects the identity of the victim and may be done anonymously.

Federal Timely Warning Reporting Obligations: Victims of sexual misconduct should also be aware that college administrators must issue immediate timely warnings for incidents reported to them that are confirmed to pose a substantial threat of bodily harm or danger to members of the campus community. The College will make every effort to ensure that a victim's name and other identifying information is not disclosed, while still providing enough information for community members to make safety decisions in light of the danger. The reporters for timely warning purposes are exactly the same as detailed above.

Standards of Student Conduct

The Río Hondo College campus is an academic community dedicated to teaching and learning. In order that teaching and learning may take place in an atmosphere of respect for one another and for each other's ideas and beliefs, Río Hondo College has guaranteed certain fundamental rights to its students and faculty.

Río Hondo College students are part of a community in which ideas will be explored in a mature spirit of understanding and mutual respect. Only in this mature spirit can the college meet its obligations to those it serves.

All students are required to abide by the Standards of Conduct (Board Policy and Administrative Procedure 5500) and failure to do so may result in disciplinary action such as a verbal or written reprimand, probation, suspension and/or expulsion. The following conduct shall constitute good cause for discipline, including but not limited to the removal, suspension or expulsion of a student.

- A. Fighting, causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to another person.
- B. Possession, sale or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive other dangerous object, including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife or explosive, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student has obtained written permission to possess the item from a District employee, which is concurred with by the Superintendent. (Administrative Procedure 3530)
- C. Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell, furnishing, or being

under the influence of any controlled substance listed in California Health and Safety Code Section 11053 *et seq.*, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind; or unlawful possession of, or offering, arranging or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia, as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.

- D. Drinking, possessing, or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages on campus or at any college sponsored event
- E. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.
- F. Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private property on campus.
- G. Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus, or knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus.
- H. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law or by regulation of the college or posting of a District.
- I. Committing sexual harassment as defined by law or by District policies and procedures.
- J. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on



- disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, sex, religion, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation or any other status protected by law.
- K. Engaging in intimidating conduct or bullying against another student through words or actions, including direct physical contact; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-calling; social isolation or manipulation; and cyber bullying.
- L. Hazing, as defined as any method of initiation or pre-initiation into a student organization or student body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by the college, which is likely to cause serious bodily danger, or personal degradation, or disgrace, resulting in physical or mental harm.
- M. Willful misconduct that results in injury or death to a student or to District personnel or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or personal property owned by the District or on campus.
- N. Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the open and persistent defiance of the authority of, or persistent abuse of, college personnel.
- O. Cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism in a student publication), or engaging in other academic dishonesty.
- P. Dishonesty; forgery; alteration or misuse of District documents, records or identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District.
- Q. Unauthorized entry upon or use of District facilities.
- R. Lewd, indecent or obscene conduct on District-owned or controlled property, or at District sponsored or supervised functions.
- S. Engaging in expression which is obscene, libelous or slanderous, or which so incites students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on College premises, the violation of lawful District administrative procedures, or the substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the District.
- T. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct.
- U. Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any commercial purpose of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any district policy or administrative procedure.
- V. Knowingly accessing and without permission altering, damaging, deleting, destroying, or otherwise using any data, computer system or computer network in order to either (a) devise or execute any scheme or artifice to defraud, deceive or extort, or (b) wrongfully control or obtain money, property or data.
- W. Knowingly accessing and without permission taking, copying or making use of any data from a computer, computer system, or computer network, or taking or copying any supporting documentation, whether existing or residing internal or external to a computer, computer system or computer network.
- X. Knowingly and without permission using or causing the use of computer services.
- Y. Knowingly accessing and without permission adding, altering, damaging, deleting or destroying any data, computer software, or computer programs which reside or exist internal or external to a computer, computer system or computer network.
- Z. Knowingly and without permission disrupting or causing the disruption of computer services or denying or causing the denial of computer services to an authorized user of a computer system or computer network.
- AA. Knowingly and without permission providing or assisting in providing a means of accessing a computer, computer system or computer network in violation of this section.
- BB. Knowingly and without permission accessing or causing to be accessed any computer, computer system, or computer network.
- CC. Knowingly introducing any computer contaminant, commonly called viruses or worms, into any computer, computer system, or computer network.
- DD. Sexual assault on any District personnel, District vendor, District visitor or student, upon off-campus grounds or facilities maintained by the District, or upon grounds or facility maintained by affiliated student organizations.
- EE. The obstruction or disruption, on or off-campus, of the District's educational or administrative process or any other District function.
- FF. The violation of any previous order issued by the District president that is not inconsistent with any of the other provisions of this policy. This order may be given by its publication in the student newspaper or by notice on an official bulletin board designated for this purpose.
- GG. Attempting to perform any previously identified act that constitutes a cause for disciplinary action.
- HH. Violation of District policies or regulations including those concerning the formation and registration of student organizations, the use of college facilities, or the time, place and manner of public expression.
- II. Failure to comply with directions of District officials acting in the performance of their duties.
- JJ. Soliciting or assisting another to do any act which would subject a student to expulsion, suspension, probation, or other discipline pursuant to this policy.
- KK. Any other cause not previously listed which is identified as a good cause by the College or the Hearing Panel.
- LL. Engaging in intimidating conduct or bullying against another student through words or actions, including direct physical contact;

verbal assault, such as teasing or name-calling; special isolation or manipulation; and cyber bullying.

Students who engage in any of the above are subject to the procedures outlined in AP 5520.

Mental Health Clearance

A student who is removed from campus as a result of erratic, dangerous and/or threatening behavior described in the Student Code of Conduct (AP 5500); and/or determination by a public safety officer that the student poses a threat to himself/herself or the general public may be required, before the student is readmitted to campus, to provide documentation from a licensed mental health professional* stating that the student will no longer engage in the behavior which gave rise to the student's removal from campus and that the student's continued presence on campus is not a threat to himself/herself or others before the student is readmitted to campus.

The mental health professional must be licensed by the State of California and credentialed to render a professional opinion on matters of this nature. The

student is responsible for any expenses related to obtaining this mental health clearance.

*The documentation for re-admittance shall be provided to the Dean of Student Affairs by a non-Río Hondo College District California licensed mental health professional.

Río Hondo College's Policy on Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Río Hondo College wants to provide a quality education for you. We believe that creating a learning environment which is free of drug and alcohol abuse is important. The college's standard of conduct (Board Policy 5500) clearly prohibits the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol by students on campus or as part of any of its activities.

What the College will do:

If you violate these policies, you may be subject to corrective action, up to and including suspension or expulsion. It is important to note that the College is prepared to impose disciplinary action as it deems fit. State laws may be applicable.

If you want help . . .

Río Hondo College has some resources to assist you in breaking out of drug and alcohol abuse. Call (562) 692-0921:

- Student Health and Psychological Services
Rm SS230, ext. 3438

- Counseling Center
Rm SS104, ext. 3410

This information is provided to all students per requirements of the Drug Free School and Communities Act Amendments of 1989. (P.L. 101-226)

