

Polk State College Procedure

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Code of Conduct for Student Participants	DBOT Rule 4.01	4/26/2012	5001

The purpose of the Polk State College Code of Conduct is to provide a means of assisting students in understanding appropriate conduct while representing the College as a participant in a college-organized activity. The Code is not all inclusive, but is intended to identify broad areas of behavioral expectations. Each coach, sponsor, or appropriate administrator is assigned the responsibility of (1) using this general Code of Conduct to develop an expanded version that would be specifically applicable to each activity, and (2) briefing the participating students, both verbally and in written form, of these expectations.

Student participants are those students who represent the College through participation in athletics, clubs, dramatics, music, and other activities that are sponsored, funded, or supported by the College. Since participants' behavior reflects on the College and affects the community's attitude toward Polk State, the College has an obligation to set forth this Code of Conduct.

1. Procedure

- A. Participation in Polk State student activities is a privilege granted by the College. The supervising Dean of Student Services shall administer the following Code of Conduct for all student participants and may revoke the privilege of participation or representation for students with violations indicated under paragraph D.
- B. Students involved in student activities must exhibit responsible behavior while participating in the prescribed activity.
- C. Activities or conditions that reflect poorly upon the College and its commitment to the development of good citizenship shall not be tolerated. Involvement by a student in such activities shall result in the revocation of that student's privilege to participate in future Polk State student activities.
- D. Activities or conditions that the College views as unacceptable for a participant in a student activity include, but are not necessarily limited to:
 - (1) Conviction of any felony while the student is enrolled as a Polk State College student.
 - (2) Conviction of any misdemeanor that involves actions which would reflect unfavorably on the College.
 - (3) Possession, use, or sale of illegal drugs or alcohol on campus or at college-sponsored events.
 - (4) Any conduct that is deemed disruptive to the college educational process.

- (5) Possession or use of a firearm on campus or at any college event, except as authorized by the college President.
 - (6) Conduct that indicates that the individual is under the influence of alcohol or other drugs while on campus, or while at any activity at which the student represents the College.
 - (7) Willful damage to school property or any property for which the College is responsible.
 - (8) Any action endangering the safety and well-being of other persons while on campus or at a college event.
 - (9) Gambling on campus or at a college event, or involvement in gambling concerning any college activity.
 - (10) Behavior which generates notoriety to the degree that the interests of the College would not be served by the individual's continued participation in the activity.
 - (11) Violation of any rules described in the Polk State College Code of Conduct.
 - (12) Violation of any rules set for a specific activity that are prescribed by the appropriate coach or sponsor and approved by the supervising Dean of Student Services.
 - (13) Violation of any rules or codes of conduct or behavioral rules as described by the Florida College System Activities Association Policies. For example, Section 10, Policy 1.
- E. All matters involving the revocation of the privilege to participate shall be administered by the supervising Dean of Student Services according to the Due Process Procedure described in the *Polk State College Catalog/Handbook*.
- F. All student participants shall be made aware of these regulations at the outset of their involvement in college student activities.

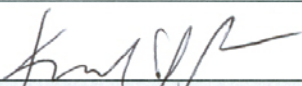
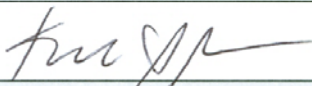
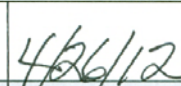
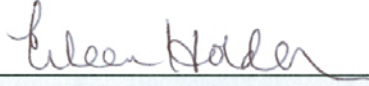

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