



## Board Policy 520 Student Discipline

*Reference: Education Code section 66017*

Students of the West Hills Community College District, by virtue of Board policies, are insured certain rights and privileges, and at the same time, assume certain responsibilities and standards of personal conduct. Due process procedures have been established to ensure that individual rights and institutional standards are not abridged.

Student conduct at West Hills College must conform to established rules and regulations. Violations of such rules and regulations, for which students are subject to disciplinary action, include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Willful disobedience; failure to comply with directions of college officials acting in performance of their duties;
2. Dishonesty, including, but not limited to, furnishing false information to the College, cheating, and plagiarism;
3. Forgery, alteration, or misuse of college documents, records, or identification;
4. Unauthorized use of, possession of property or equipment owned by the College;
5. Theft or damage of property or equipment belonging to the College, a member of the College community, or a campus visitor;
6. Obstruction or disruption of classes, administration, disciplinary procedures, or authorized college activities;
7. Violation of college rules and regulations, including those applicable to student organizations, the use of college facilities, residential living, or the time, place and manner of public expression or distribution of literature and audio-visual materials;
8. Disorderly, lewd, indecent or offensive conduct or expression which interferes with the normal and orderly education process;
9. Assault, battery, physical or verbal abuse or any threat of force or violence directed toward any member of the College community or campus visitor when engaged in authorized activities.
10. Possession, use or distribution of alcoholic beverages, narcotics, or other dangerous drugs on campus or any off campus sponsored College activity;
11. Any act defined as a felony or misdemeanor under the laws of the State of California or which violates adopted College rules or regulations.

Violations of established College rules and regulations of the State of California are subject to the imposition of one or more of the following disciplinary actions:

1. Reprimand officially recognizes a violation of acceptable conduct and admonishes the offender to avoid future infractions.
2. Disciplinary probation is a disciplinary action that allows the offender to remain a member of the College community on his/her promise of appropriate future behavior. Probation may stipulate suspension of co-curricular or other campus privileges.
3. Suspension is an action that excludes the individual from the campus community for a specified period of time.
4. Expulsion is an action by the Board of Trustees that permanently excludes the individual from the College community. Expulsion is recorded on the offender's permanent file.

All disciplinary actions shall be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations of the District as cited in the Student Conduct Standards and Grievance Procedures.

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