

NO. 1016 WEAPON-FREE ENVIRONMENT

1.0 To promote the safety of students, employees, and visitors, Oklahoma City Community College ("OCCC") prohibits the possession, use and display of Weapons of all types as identified in 21 O.S. § 1272, at all times on OCCC Property and during OCCC activities, trips or events.

2.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 2.1 OCCC Property: For purposes of this policy, "OCCC Property" means all buildings, offices, facilities, grounds, vehicles, or other premises owned, leased, or otherwise occupied or controlled by OCCC.
- 2.2 School Property: For purposes of this policy, "School Property" is defined in Oklahoma State Statute 21 O.S. § 1280.1, as any property held for purposes of elementary, secondary, or vocational-technical education. This definition applies to the OCCC Main Campus and the OCCC Family and Community Education (FACE) Center.
- 2.3 Weapon: For purposes of this policy, a "Weapon" includes any pistol, revolver, shotgun, or rifle whether loaded or unloaded or any blackjack, loaded cane, hand chain, metal knuckles, or any other offensive weapon, whether such weapon be concealed or unconcealed. "Weapon" does not include kitchen utensils used by OCCC employees or OCCC-approved caterers in the performance of their duties. "Weapon" does not include tools used by OCCC employees or OCCC-approved contractors in the performance of their duties. "Weapon" does not include OCCC-approved replica weapons used in dramatic productions, starter pistols used in athletic events, and explosive materials used in laboratory classes or authorized construction projects.
- 3.0 SCOPE: This Policy applies to all OCCC employees, students, and visitors, except this Policy shall not apply to sworn law enforcement officers.

4.0 EXCEPTIONS:

- 4.1 OCCC Property shall not include property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the Weapon is carried or stored as required by law and the Weapon is not removed from the vehicle without prior consent of the OCCC President while the vehicle is on OCCC property.
- 4.2 OCCC Property shall not include any property authorized for possession or use of Weapons by OCCC policy.
- 4.3 OCCC Property shall not include any property authorized by the written consent of the OCCC President, provided the written consent is carried with the Weapon while on OCCC property.

5.0 Anyone who violates this Policy will be subject to discipline, up to and including separation from employment, dismissal, expulsion, or immediate removal from OCCC Property. Discipline authorized by this Policy is independent of and in addition to any criminal or civil sanctions which may be sought pursuant to applicable statutes. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation may be notified of a violation in accordance with Oklahoma Law. OCCC disciplinary proceedings may be initiated before the completion of criminal prosecution.

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