



TITLE: AUTHORIZATION AND REGULATIONS FOR CAMPUS DEMONSTRATIONS

POLICY NO: 1-38

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I. Purpose:

To promote an orderly learning environment while establishing guidelines for student organization-sponsored demonstrations.

II. Definitions:

Campus demonstration: Refers to a pre-approved demonstration or campus assembly of students and/or employees sponsored by a student organization. Meetings to conduct regular organizational business do not constitute campus demonstrations.

Non-student: Refers to any person not enrolled in any credit, non-credit, or developmental courses offered by J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College.

Student: Refers to any person currently enrolled in any credit, non-credit, or developmental courses offered by J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College.

Student organization: Refers to any student organization officially recognized by the office of Student Life.

III. Policy:

Each student organization wanting to conduct a demonstration must file four copies of the College Registration of Demonstrations form, [JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#), to the Student Affairs office for all demonstrations four (4) class days in advance of the demonstration.

Any student that is found responsible for participating in or inciting a riot or an unauthorized campus demonstration is subject to suspension or dismissal.

A. The following regulations apply to authorized campus demonstrations.

1. Only student organizations recognized by the college may sponsor demonstrations on college property.
2. Picketing is not permitted inside buildings.
3. Outside picketing must not be conducted in a manner that interferes with entrance traffic or the normal flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.

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4. Precise boundaries shall be set by agreement among the college administration, the organizations involved, and those in charge of any building specifically involved.
5. When a campus demonstration or assembly of students not authorized by the college has been requested to disband by the president or other designated officer, those refusing to comply will be subject to immediate suspension and/or dismissal and legal action.
6. Any unauthorized occupation of buildings and/or college property constitutes reason for immediate suspension and/or dismissal from the institution of students who may be involved. Furthermore, legal action will be brought against any student involved in acts that are prohibited by law occurring on college property.
7. Non-students are not allowed to participate in campus demonstrations.
8. The form for registering campus demonstrations is [JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#), College Registration of Demonstrations.
9. This policy applies to on- and off-campus locations, college-leased facilities, college-sponsored activities or any activities that are initiated, authorized, or supervised by J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College.
10. College officials shall not negotiate with any organization under conditions of duress.
11. Police and Security Services will monitor the demonstration until the demonstration is completed.
12. Demonstrators will be responsible for cleaning up any debris or other materials associated with the demonstration.

IV. Procedures:

A. To request a campus demonstration

1. Any student organization requesting to sponsor or participate in a campus demonstration must file four signed, original copies of the College Registration of Demonstrations form, [JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#), to the office of the associate vice president of student affairs (AVPSA) four (4) class days in advance of the demonstration.
2. The AVPSA or designee, in conjunction with the chief of police, will review the request to ensure that the planned demonstration will not interfere with normal college operations.
3. The AVPSA or designee will contact the requestor of the demonstration within two (2) class days of the receipt of [JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#) to advise whether or not the demonstration has been approved.
4. The AVPSA or designee will file one original copy of [JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#) in the office of Student Affairs; one original copy will be forwarded to campus police, one original copy and two photocopies will be forwarded to the Office of the President, and one original copy will be given to the requestor of the demonstration.

B. To disband an unauthorized or disorderly campus demonstration

1. Any unauthorized or disorderly campus demonstration shall be immediately reported to Police and Security Services and the Student Affairs office.

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2. The AVPSA or designee, in conjunction with Police and Security Services, will assess the situation. If it is deemed to be a situation of critical importance, the college president or designee will be notified and [JSRCC Policy No. 4-34](#), Emergency Preparedness and Communications in Crisis Plan, will be initiated.
3. Police and Security Services, AVPSA, college president or designee will notify the students to peacefully discontinue the demonstration. In the event that the assembly appears to be a demonstration related to grievances, the campus police, AVPSA, college president or designee will advise those present of the orderly procedures for the hearing of grievances ([JSRCC Policy No. 1-12](#), Student Grievance) and advise them of the mandatory adherence to the grievance policy.
4. All students who do not comply with the demands of Police and Security Services, AVPSA, college president or designee will be subject to suspension or dismissal and will be charged through the student judicial process ([JSRCC Policy No. 1-35](#), Student Conduct) and legal action may be taken.

V. Other Information:

[JSRCC Form No. 75-0006](#), College Registration of Demonstrations

[JSRCC Policy No. 1-12](#), Student Grievance

[JSRCC Policy No. 1-35](#), Student Conduct