ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE 3551  PRESERVING A DRUG FREE ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS

Board Policy 3550 requires the Peralta Community College District to maintain campuses where students are prohibited from the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of controlled substances and from the use of alcohol.

A. For purposes of this administrative procedure, campus shall mean those places where a student is engaged in an authorized college activity. The campus includes property owned or leased by the District; property used by the District for student participation in field trips, field study, athletic competition, or study travel programs; and District or private vehicles while being used for official District business.

B. All students are required to comply with this procedure to remain in good standing and as a condition of continued attendance in any of the District's colleges. Any violation of this procedure will be cause for disciplinary action against the student, up to and including expulsion, and/or may require the student to participate satisfactorily in a substance abuse assistance or rehabilitation program. Student discipline shall be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of AP 5520 Student Discipline Procedures.

C. Any student who needs information about substance abuse treatment may consult a counselor, who can provide the student with information about available treatment resources. The District does not provide substance abuse treatment.

D. The District shall provide annual notice to its students in the “Standards of Student Conduct” document of the prohibitions stated in this policy, including a description of the health risks associated with drug or alcohol abuse and of the District and community resources available for counseling and rehabilitation of those persons with alcohol or drug-related problems. The District shall also provide notice of the consequences of campus illicit drug and alcohol abuse violations, including possible criminal sanctions and student disciplinary action up to and including expulsion pursuant to applicable state law and District policy and administrative regulations. The purpose of such sanctions and discipline is to urge the students to begin the personal process of rehabilitation.

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