CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS AND GUESTS

A student enrolling in Muskegon Community College or a guest on the campus assumes an obligation to behave in a manner compatible with the College’s function as an educational institution. Misconduct on College-owned or controlled property for which students or visitors are subject to discipline and falls into the following categories below. The categories listed below are conduct rules and regulations that club members and/or guests are expected to adhere, this information can be found in Student Handbook under Section B: Conduct-Rules and Regulations.

A. Acts of being dishonest, including, but not limited to:

1. Cheating, including cyber cheating;
2. Fabricating;
3. Facilitating academic dishonesty;
4. Plagiarizing, including internet plagiarizing;
5. Committing acts of forgery;
6. Bribing; and
7. Submitting the same assignment to more than one instructor without the permission of the instructors.

Please refer to the Academic Integrity Policy for other means of resolution for academic dishonesty issues.

B. Violation of any provisions of the professional and/or ethical codes of programs in the fields of respiratory therapy, nursing, or any other applicable programs.
C. Interference with the college-approved operation of any college-recognized student organization.
D. Disorderly conduct, including but not limited to: administration, disciplinary proceedings, disruption or obstruction of teaching, research, and other college and campus activities.
E. Conduct which alarms, threatens, or in some manner disrupts the learning process of another student and/or the ability of faculty to teach.
F. Physical abuse, verbal abuse, threats, intimidation, stalking, coercion and/or other conduct which threatens or endangers the health, well-being, or safety of any person.
G. Sexual misconduct. (See the Non Discrimination Policy on page 39.)
H. Harassment which serves to degrade the status of another person. Most often, harassment focuses on a personal attribute, singling it out for ridicule, attack, or disparagement. Attributes include, but are not limited to age, economic class, gender, physical or mental disability, race or ethnic contact, written or verbal comments or suggestions, obscene or offensive pictures or jokes, hostile or threatening gestures or other forms of degradation. This includes acts of harassment carried out by one or more students on behalf of and/or at the request of another student.
I. Theft of and/or damage to property of MCC, property of a member of MCC community, or other personal or public property.

J. Hazing, which is an act which endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student, or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs, or which destroys or removes public or private property for the purpose of initiation, admission into, affiliation with, or as a condition for continued membership in a group or organization. Consent of the participants is not a defense against a complaint of hazing.

K. Failure to comply with directions of an MCC employee, or emergency or service personnel acting in performance of their official duties.

L. Failure to identify oneself to an MCC employee, or emergency or service personnel acting in performance of their official duties when requesting to do so.

M. Unauthorized possession, duplication or use of keys, combinations, or access cards to any MCC premise, or unauthorized entry to or use of MCC property.

N. Violation of published MCC policies, rules, or regulations found in, but not limited to, the student handbook and the college catalog.

O. Use, possession, or distribution of illegal drugs, narcotics or other controlled substances, and drug-related paraphernalia, except as permitted by federal, state, and/or local law. (See the Drug-free Campus Policy.)

P. Public intoxication or the use, possession or distribution of alcoholic beverages except as expressly permitted by federal, state, and/or local law and MCC regulations (See the Alcohol Policy.)

Q. Possession of firearms, explosives, or other weapons, or unauthorized use of dangerous chemicals or substances on MCC premises. (See the Weapons Policy.)

R. Participation in a campus demonstration which disrupts the normal operations of MCC and infringes on the rights of other members of the MCC community; leading or inciting others to disrupt scheduled, and/or normal activities within any campus building or area.

S. Intentional obstruction of the free flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic on MCC premises or at MCC sponsored or supervised functions.

T. Conduct which is disorderly, lewd, or indecent; a breach of peace; or aiding, abetting, or procuring another person to breach the peace on MCC premises or at functions sponsored by, or participated in, by MCC.

U. Theft or other abuse of computer resources, including, but not limited to:

1. Commercially using computing resources;
2. Intercepting data;
3. Committing acts of forgery;
4. Willfully engaging in practices that place undue burdens on MCC resources (spamming, for example);
5. Engaging in or disseminating defamatory, discriminating, embarrassing, fraudulent, harassing, illegal, intimidating, obscene, threatening, or unwelcome electronic communications;
6. Copying, modifying, or destroying the MCC network or Internet-based files; and
7. Accessing or attempting to access the MCC network or Internet resources for which the user is not authorized or granted explicit permission.
V. Abuse of the judicial system, including but not limited to:

1. Failing to comply with the directive to appear before a disciplinary board or meeting with an administrator after having received appropriate notification on such directive;
2. Falsifying, distorting, or misrepresenting information before a hearing panel or at a disciplinary meeting with an administrator;
3. Disrupting or interfering with the orderly conduct of a judicial proceeding;
4. Knowingly instituting a judicial proceeding without cause;
5. Influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the judicial system;
6. Attempting to discourage an individual’s proper participation in, or use of the judicial system;
7. Attempting to influence the impartiality of a member of a disciplinary board or a disciplinary administrator during the course of a judicial proceeding;
8. Harassing (verbal or physical) and/or intimidating any person involved in a judicial proceeding; and
9. Failing to comply with a sanction imposed under the Student Rights and Responsibilities.
10. Failing to comply with an agreed upon informal resolution.

W. Engaging in gambling activities defined as illegal by federal, state or local law and/or MCC regulations.
X. Engaging in behavior prohibited by federal, state, and/or local laws.