



POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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Purpose

The submission of an application for admission to Louisiana Delta Community College represents a voluntary decision on each student's part to participate in the programs offered by the institution pursuant to its policies, rules, and regulations. College acceptance of the application represents the extension of a privilege to join the college community and to remain a part of it, as long as the required academic and conduct standards are met. Therefore, students have rights and responsibilities as a student of Louisiana Delta Community College.

Scope

All Louisiana Delta Community College students and prospective students.

Policy

Specific Rights for Students

In addition to the basic rights and freedoms guaranteed all citizens, the College recognizes the following specific rights of students in the student/College relationship:

- The right to participate in academic, co-curricular and extracurricular activities and benefit functions of the College, free from all legal discrimination on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, handicap, marital status or veteran status.
- The right to know the College's regulations, rules and policies by which students are governed.
- The right to a formal appeals procedure by which reconsideration of an action by the College through one of its employees, which adversely affects a student may be requested.
- The right to utilize the appeal procedure without fear of coercion, harassment, intimidation or reprisal for the act of making the appeal.
- The right of substantive and procedural due process in all student disciplinary procedures.

- The right to advocate, through reasonable and lawful means, changes in College regulations, rules and policies.
- The right to reasonable participation in the formation of College policies.
- The right to use College facilities, subject to reasonable rules and regulations governing the time, place, and manner of such use.
- The right to invite and hear any speaker chosen by students, subject to reasonable rules and procedures established for the orderly scheduling of facilities and for making adequate preparation for the event.
- The right of confidentiality of all official student educational, medical and psychiatric records.

Responsibilities of Students

Students at Louisiana Delta Community College have the following general responsibilities and obligations to the College:

- To conduct themselves in a manner consistent with generally accepted standards of conduct embodied in federal, state and local laws.
- To conduct themselves in a manner that contributes to the creation and maintenance of an environment conducive to the broad educational mission of the College.
- To support the academic integrity of the College.
- To know and comply with regulations, rules, policies and requirements established by the College.
- To respect the rights and freedoms of others and to conduct themselves in such a way as not to violate the rights and freedoms of other members of the College community and its guests.
- To use College property and facilities in accordance with College regulations and policies and to make every effort to use these facilities in a way that will not damage or impair their usefulness to other, current and future students.