Student Information

The Student Information section includes the rules, guidelines, and processes that allow the student and College to operate while assuring concern for the rights of others and their property. The topics in this section are listed alphabetically.

Administration of Student and Academic Codes

The Vice President of Student Affairs (VPSA) shall be primarily responsible for the administration of the student conduct system. The Student Life Specialist (SLS) may work closely with the VPSA in resolving minor disciplinary problems resulting from the violation of regulations regarding student activities.

The Vice President of Academic Affairs (VPAA) shall be primarily responsible for the administration of the academic conduct system, in cooperation with the Dean of Instruction. On rare occasions there may be incidents that involve both student and academic conduct, at which time the Vice Presidents will consult and the more serious offense will have precedence. (The consultation is to include the necessity for having the President appoint an additional ‘standby’ appeals committee as a precaution to help ensure fairness of due process in this unusual situation.)

Alcohol/Drug-Free Campus Policy

Definition of Terms

- “College property” means any property owned, leased or rented by LCC including hotel rooms, rental cars, and meeting rooms or facilities rented by the College on a short or long-term basis.
- “Alcoholic beverages” as used in this policy, mean beverages, which are alcoholic liquor, or cereal malt beverages as defined in Kansas Statutes.
- “College funds” mean any funds managed and controlled within the College’s financial accounting system.
- Funds of the LCC Foundation are not included in this because the College does not directly control them.

General Regulations

- Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed on College owned or leased property or in a College-owned or leased vehicle.
- As a general operational policy, alcohol may not be purchased with College funds.
- College employees or students may not operate a College owned or leased vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs or while impaired by the use of prescription medications.
- College employees/students may not transport fellow employees/students or drive in a personally owned/leased vehicle while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs or when impaired by the use of prescription medications during College business or College-sponsored trips.

Exceptions

- Alcohol may be served at select events in the Cardinal Event Center with written permission from the College President.
- Request to serve alcohol at an event in the Cardinal Event Center must be made in writing to the College President at least two weeks in advance of the event.

Violations

- Employees or students who violate this policy are subject to applicable disciplinary actions.
- Violation of section B-3 & 4 above will be considered a serious offense and may be punishable by termination or expulsion for a first offense.
- The College may file complaints with local law enforcement agencies or ban members of the general public who violate this policy.

Purpose and Scope

The abuse of alcohol and other drugs interferes with the processes of learning, teaching, research and public service, which are the functions of Labette Community College. In order to accomplish its mission, and further, to comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, this policy is promulgated.
Internal Sanctions
Any student or employee who violates this policy shall be subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, probation, expulsion, suspension, or termination of campus/LCC enrollment/employment (including clinicals and internships); may be required to participate satisfactorily in an appropriate rehabilitation program; or may be referred for prosecution.

External Sanctions
Violation of applicable local, state, and federal laws governing the possession, use, manufacture, or distribution of alcohol and other drugs may subject violators to fines, imprisonment, and/or community service requirements. Convictions become part of an individual’s criminal record and may prohibit certain career and professional opportunities.

Health Risks
Abuse of drugs and alcohol can result in behavioral changes; impairment of judgment and coordination; elevated/ lowered blood pressure; depression; anxiety; hallucinations; convulsions; temporary and permanent loss of memory; damage to the heart, liver, brain, etc.; sterility; lowered immune system and increased infection; cancer; emphysema; chronic bronchitis, and death.

Alcohol/Other Drug Assistance Programs
Programs are available in the Parsons area to help LCC students/employees deal with substance abuse related issues. Federal laws ensure all persons seeking help for alcohol and/or other drug problems will be treated with respect and in a confidential manner.

Coordination and Reference
At LCC
Labette Community College has a full-time Case Manager/Advisor who is able to work with students who have mental health concerns or need someone to talk with. The Case Manager/Advisor can be reached at 620-820-1254.
In addition, Labette Community College has teamed with Labette Center for Mental Health to assist current students with the expense of mental health care if needed. If a student is in need of assistance, they should make an appointment with the Vice President of Student Affairs. The Vice President will refer the student to the Labette Center for Mental Health. The college will pay for three sessions with the Labette Center for Mental Health if the student does not have medical insurance.

Services are also available through:
Hotlines – 7 days a week, 24 hours a day:
Labette Center for Mental Health (620) 421-3771
Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center (620) 473-2241
Family Life Center (620) 231-5863
Four County Mental Health Center (800)499-1748

Animals on Campus (Procedure 2.18)

Each student is expected to be fully acquainted with all published College policies, copies of which are available to each student for review in the Student Affairs Office or in the LCC Library. The College will hold each student responsible for compliance with these published policies. Students are also expected to comply with all federal, state, and local laws, and any student who violates any provisions of those laws is subject to disciplinary action, notwithstanding any action taken by civil authorities because of the violation. This principle extends to conduct off campus that is likely to have an adverse effect on the College or the educational process. In the event of an infraction:

A. The student(s) believed to have been involved will meet the respective Vice President of Academic Affairs to review the incident.

B. Following a preliminary investigation, if sufficient evidence indicates that a violation of the Code has occurred,