Chapter Three: General Institution

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

The District, on behalf of each campus or center, has a written agreement with local law enforcement agencies. The agreement clarifies operational responsibilities for investigations of Part I violent crimes, defined by law as willful homicide, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault, occurring at each location.

The written agreement designates which law enforcement agency has operational responsibility for violent crimes and delineates the specific geographical boundaries of each agency’s operational responsibility, including maps as necessary.

The written agreements required by the Board policy are public records and are made available for inspection by members of the public upon request to the Superintendent/President.

NOTE: This procedural language is legally required by The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 United States Code Section 1092(f)).

The Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division maintains a close working relationship with the area law enforcement. The Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division occasionally works with other law enforcement agencies, including the Local Fire District, Central Fire; The State Highway Patrol and other related regulatory agencies, such as the Santa Cruz County Office of Emergency Services and the Red Cross. Meetings may be held between the leaders of these agencies on both a formal and informal basis. The Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division and other law enforcement agencies communicate regularly on the scene of incidents that occur in and around the campus area. When incidents arise that require joint investigative efforts, resources, crime related reports and exchanges of information, the Cabrillo Sheriff’s Office will work closely with these other agencies. There is a written memorandum of understanding between the Cabrillo College and the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office.

In response to a call, the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division will take the required action, dispatching an officer or asking the victim to file an incident report. All incident reports received by the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division are forwarded to the Vice President of Administrative Services and the Dean of Student Services for review and potential action. The Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division may investigate a report when it is deemed appropriate.

Crimes should be reported to the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division to ensure inclusion in the annual crime statistics and to aid in providing timely warning notices to the community, when appropriate.

Community members, students, faculty, staff, and guests are encouraged to report all crimes and public safety related incidents to the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office, Cabrillo College Division in a timely manner. To report a crime or an emergency on any Cabrillo College Campus (Aptos,
Watsonville or Scotts Valley), call the Sheriff’s Office Dispatch. To report a non-emergency security or public safety related matter, call the Sheriff’s Non-Emergency Cell number.

Security officers have the authority to ask persons for identification and to determine whether individuals have lawful business at the District. Safety and Security officers do not possess arrest power. Criminal incidents are referred to the local law enforcement officers who have jurisdiction on the campus. The District maintains a highly professional working relationship with the Santa Cruz County Sheriff’s Office. All crime victims and witnesses are strongly encouraged to immediately report the crime to campus Security Services Office and the appropriate police agency. Prompt reporting will assure timely warning notices on-campus and timely disclosure of crime statistics.

References:

Education Code Section 67381;
34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 668.46

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