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Sandhills Community College is committed to maintaining a safe, healthy, and positive work and learning environment. Toward that end, in a good faith effort to ensure the safety and welfare of all the campus community, the college has adopted codes, statements, and policies that are detailed in the college's Catalog and the Policy and Procedures Manual, as well as being posted online at www.sandhills.edu.

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Orientation

Guest speakers, hosted by Student Services, provide workshops on such topics as alcohol/substance abuse, campus security, crime and crime prevention, stress management, financial awareness and credit management, and safety issues. Referrals are made, as needed, to local agencies such as hospitals, mental health centers, social services, Friend-to-Friend, private counselors, and self-help groups. Literature on many health and safety issues is provided in the Dempsey Student Center and in the Counseling Center in Stone Hall. Every other year, the Safety and Environmental Committee hosts a health fair for faculty, staff, students, and community.

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Reporting a Communicable Disease

Any individual who knows or has a reasonable basis for believing that they are infected with a communicable disease (including but not limited to chickenpox, hepatitis, measles, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome [AIDS], meningitis, mononucleosis, and whooping cough) has an obligation to protect himself or herself and others from the ramifications of the disease. Specifically, such individuals should report this information to the appropriate person (see below). Every effort will be made to try to keep the matter confidential. Only persons with a need to know will be informed and only with prior direct knowledge of the individual who is or believes they may be infected.

Curriculum students should report a communicable disease condition to the Vice President of Student Services. Continuing Education students should report such conditions to the Vice President for Continuing Education and Workforce Development. The Director of Moore County Health Department will be immediately notified. At the Hoke Center, communicable disease conditions should be reported to the Associate Vice President of the Hoke Center who will then report them to the Vice President of Student Services and to the Hoke County Health Department.

The appropriate Vice President will take necessary steps to ensure the medical safety of the student and the college community; if deemed necessary for the good of all, the student may be asked to remove himself or herself from the campus until a necessary evaluation of the condition is completed and the

President of the College issues a final ruling concerning the enrollment status of the student.

This policy is one part of the College's on-going attempt to promote awareness, education, and counseling on communicable diseases. More information is available in the "Compliance" section of this Catalog.

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Each year, the Student Government Association (SGA) purchases a student accident insurance plan, an excess policy that may cover medical expenses of students caused by accidental bodily injury during college-related academic and

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The Career Development professionals provide services that prepare college graduates for a successful transition into the workforce. Our staff provides training to ensure competency in the following areas: oral/written communication skills, professionalism/work ethic, resume writing, interviewing skills and career management. The Career Resource Library provides career-related materials to assist students in further developing their career competencies

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Student career services are available for current, alumni, and prospective students. The services offered are career assessments, job searching strategies, career counseling, student engagement (career meetups/round table), career workshops, business referrals, networking, and a shared online job search link, www.collegecentral.com/sandhills/student.cfm. Our job link provides access to current job market information. Guidance related to student employment is available in Blue Hall, room 103.

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The SCC Career Center hosts two job fairs each year on campus, Fall and Spring semesters. Job Fairs provide an opportunity for a variety of employers to visit campus to provide networking and job considerations with our students. The Director of Career Development Services develops relationships with both local and regional employers to develop job opportunities for Sandhills Community College students.

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Sandhills Community College guarantees that its graduates are proficient in the knowledge and skills covered by their educational programs. In the event that an employer finds a Sandhills graduate deficient in such an area, the employer should — within 90 days of the graduate's employment — contact the Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs. The Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs will arrange to re-enroll the graduate in up to three (3) courses at the College at no charge to the graduate or the employer. This guarantee applies to graduates of two-year associate in applied science degree programs and one-year diploma programs.

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by the SGA include free food days, national days, the annual Fall Fest and Spring Fling, holiday festivities, coffee and doughnuts during exams, and a variety of other events.

The SGA is always looking for new ideas and new Senators. To become a Senator, students must complete a simple online application via an Outlook form, maintain at least a 2.0 GPA, contribute at least four hours per week to SGA activities, and possess high motivation. Every student on campus is a member of the SGA, and the SGA acts as the students' voice at SCC. Not only does the SGA sponsor fun events and activities, but it also presents student comments and concerns to the administration and the Board of Trustees. In fact, the SGA President is a trustee of the College.

The SGA office is located upstairs in the Dempsey Student Center, inside the Ewing Leadership Wing.

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By statutory requirement, the President of the Student Government Association serves ex officio on the Board of Trustees, the governing body of the College. Students are appointed to the following standing committees: Safety and Environmental, Scholarships, and Student Grievance Committee. In these committees, students have opportunities to study and comment on proposed policies and procedures and to rule on appeals related to student disciplinary cases.

Most significantly, the Student Government Association gives students experience in representative government. Officers are elected by the student body. Students interested in serving in the SGA can get information directly from the Sandhills website or the Director of Student Life located in the Dempsey Student Center.

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The Student Government Association produces an in-house, weekly bulletin written by and designed for students.

This bulletin, published weekly, and sent via SCC student email accounts, is overseen by the SGA Public Information Officer and the Director of Student Life, with content by members of the SGA, the student body and SCC Faculty/Staff. While it is an informal publication, this bulletin, like all student publications, is expected to observe the guidelines for student publications.

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Student publications guidelines at Sandhills Community College are expected to represent the student body at its best. The content of such publications must be in concert with the college Student Code of Conduct. Specifically, all contributors to such publications are bound by the elements of this code:

- Writing that communicates a true threat to an individual or group is prohibited.
- Writing that communicates harassment that rises to the level of severe or pervasive is prohibited.
- Writing that involves libelous charges is prohibited.
- Writing that makes use of obscene language and/or expletives is prohibited.

Because this is an educational institution, writing that appears in student created publications is expected to be clear, correct, and well-reasoned. Documents should be well-designed and inviting to the reader.

All materials for student publications must be approved prior to publication by the Director of Student Life. Any disputes about content may be taken to the Vice President of Student Services for resolution in concert with the Director of Student Life, the SGA President, and the student-writer. There is an inherent right to appeal. The appeal shall be in accordance with the Student Grievance Procedure.

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Sandhills Community College does not collect photo/video release forms. Instead, the College assumes that faculty, staff, students and those visiting our campus are the best resources for marketing the College and are willing to participate in college promotions.

All photographic/video images become the property of Sandhills Community College. Marketing and Public Relations staff members will add the photos or video footage to the College's library of images (maintained by Marketing & Public Relations), which becomes a resource for the College's online and print publications. These images and videos may be used for years after obtaining. The College reserves the right to release images for use by outside agencies for publication by news outlets, magazines, and digital outlets as the College sees fit.

In addition to print use, images may be posted to the college's social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and others).

Still or video photo shoots may be informal (candid photos of campus scenes, athletic events, performances, events, or activities) or formal (planned visits to classrooms, headshots or photo/video shoots on campus).

Students participating in a formal photo shoot (flightPath magazine, billboards, viewbooks, etc.) are giving their permission for their image to be used. Students may opt out of a photo. If a student does not wish to be photographed but fails to identify himself or herself to the photographer, it will be difficult to exclude that person from the resulting images.

Concerns about the uses of individual images may be communicated to the Marketing & Public Relations Department, which will try to resolve individual complaints while still meeting the institutional goals of visually representing the College. Expense is sometimes a consideration in the ability to change a photograph; usually an inventory of printed publications must be exhausted before the change can be implemented.

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The SCC Chess Club provides an opportunity for students to socialize, learn, and grow through playing chess. Alongside regular meetings, the Chess Club also hosts opportunities for students to teach the game of chess to their fellow peers and holds chess tournaments (for charity). Our main objectives are to teach, learn, and to play chess – and to help people out along the way.

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The SCC chapter of Circle K International will be a prominent, inclusive, and impactful student-led organization helping to improve the quality of life for the people in the Sandhills and SCC students through service, leadership, and fellowship.

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GST*A is a support group for the LGBT community and allies. The club offers a unique setting in which students, faculty, and staff at SCC can share their true identities. We offer support through weekly meetings as well as scheduled activities throughout the Fall and Spring semesters. GST*A participates in many of the events held on campus to ensure that SCC maintains a friendly and helpful space for all people attending the college as well as people residing in the community. GST*A also supports numerous campus events as well as promoting awareness and education that pertain to LGBT issues.

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One of the oldest and most renowned organizations on the SCC campus is the Sandhills Horticulture Club. The club's primary purpose is to provide a vehicle to support outside activities and competitions in which the Landscape Gardening students participate. The club hosts special events such as bedding plant sales and other creative projects to support student trips, competitions, and student career days.

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Interested in starting a club sport? Club sports that have been popular in the past include soccer, tennis, and sand volleyball. Sandhills club sports are student led meaning students assume the role of captain or co-captain and assist with the recruitment of other students to play. Students of all levels/abilities are encouraged to start a sport and/or participate.

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The Music Production Club is here to give students the opportunity to create music using music software as well as various kinds of instruments. We would also love to teach students how to make music. Any currently enrolled student may join.

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Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year colleges. Membership is available to students by invitation only and requires a 3.7 GPA based on 16+ hours of college credit courses (100 level or higher) in a degree-granting program. Invitees who choose to join are inducted in the spring or fall semesters. The hallmarks of Phi Theta Kappa are scholarship, leadership, fellowship, and service. Kappans serve as hosts for the college lecture series, as marshals at graduation, and as assistants with on campus activities.

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The Pre-Health Club plans on hosting guest speakers that specialize in different areas of the healthcare field once a month. As of now, the planned speakers include a medical doctor, a nurse practitioner, a radiologist and the Director of Health Programs at SCC. Any currently enrolled student may join.

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The Radiography Technology Club includes students that are enrolled in SCC's Radiography Program. Club members are encouraged to give back to the community through school and community sponsored events. Club members also host fundraisers to support workshops and attendance at State Radiography conferences, where students are encouraged to network, build relationships with peers, reach for higher professional goals, and support patient safety initiatives. This club provides opportunities for students to get involved in school, community, and professional initiatives to give back and raise standards affecting our healthcare profession. Students host fundraising events to provide funding for NCSRT conference and ARRT Registry preparation.

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The Sandhills Association of Nursing Students (SANS) seeks to introduce participants to the nursing profession through their professional organization and to provide a setting for professional socialization. A active membership is available to all ADN (Associate Degree Nursing) students. SANS also promotes and

