



3.6 Student Conduct Policy

Part 1. Student Conduct Policy

The Central Lakes College Student Code of Conduct serves two purposes: first, to provide a guide for student behavior, and second, to outline procedures for both students and college officials in the event of code violations. All students are expected to read this code and be responsible for understanding and adhering to its content. Annually, and upon amendment, Central Lakes College shall notify students of the availability and location of the student code of conduct.

In the College's view, two authorities guide a student's conduct on campus or during off-campus, college-sponsored activities. First, as a citizen of the larger community, each student is expected to abide by the College's rules, regulations, policies, and local, state, and federal laws.

Part 2. Off-Campus Conduct

Central Lakes College may hold students accountable for a violation of the behavioral proscriptions contained in their Student Codes of Conduct committed off campus when:

1. Hazing is involved, or
2. The violation is committed while participating in a college-sanctioned or sponsored activity; or
3. The victim of the violation is a member of the college community; or
4. The violation constitutes a felony under state or federal law; or
5. The violation adversely affects the College's educational, research, or service functions.

As an institution dedicated to teaching and learning, Central Lakes College has a vested interest in maintaining an environment that allows students to pursue their academic interests and responsibilities freely. Conduct that unreasonably restricts such freedom and interferes with the College's mission of promoting student learning is subject to regulation and/or sanction by the College, which may include suspension or expulsion. Additionally, students must be afforded due process to resolve any alleged violation of the student code of conduct. The creation of such an environment is premised on the assumption that students have both rights and responsibilities. Therefore, a major function of the College is to ensure student rights while also demanding student responsibility.

Part 3. Appeals

Students found responsible for a conduct violation shall be provided an avenue of appeal within the institution. In addition, in cases involving sanctions of suspension for ten days or longer, students shall be informed of their right to a contested case hearing under Minnesota State Statute 14.

[Link to Minnesota State 3.6 Student Conduct Policy](#)

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