

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS

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Regulation)

PURPOSE

This administrative regulation establishes procedures for students who are required to register as sex offenders and who attend classes or access Lee College facilities.

REGISTRATION
REQUIREMENTS

Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 62.153 requires any person who is required to register as a sex offender and who intends to attend classes, be employed by the College, or work for a contractor providing services to the College to register with the College at least seven (7) days before reporting to any College location.

Students who are required to register as sex offenders shall register each semester with:

- Director, Student Conduct and Compliance; and
- Chief of Security or designee.

Students shall provide all relevant documentation related to their registration status, including court orders, probation or parole conditions, and any other documentation requested by the College. Falsification of records or refusal to provide requested information will be grounds for dismissal or denial of enrollment.

The Chief of Security may communicate with probation officers, parole officers, law enforcement agencies, or other appropriate authorities to verify registration status and obtain information necessary to assess campus safety considerations.

Before the enrollment of a student who is required to register as a sex offender can be approved, the student must meet with the Director, Student Conduct and Compliance and the Chief of Security (or the Chief's designee) to review all restrictions the student must abide by while on campus. A copy of the restrictions will be provided to the student in writing.

CASE
MANAGEMENT

Upon registration, a case file shall be established in the College's case management system.

The case file may include:

- Registration documentation;
- Court orders and legal restrictions;
- Probation or parole conditions;
- Communications with supervising agencies;
- Class schedules;
- Approved campus access plans; and
- Other relevant documentation.

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	Access to records related to registered sex offenders shall be limited to employees with a legitimate educational, safety, or operational need to know.
REGISTRATION HOLD	A hold shall be placed on the student's account to ensure completion of the registration process prior to enrollment each semester. The hold shall remain in place until all registration requirements have been satisfied.
CAMPUS ACCESS REQUIREMENTS	Each day a registered sex offender is present on campus, the student shall: • Notify Security upon arrival; • Notify Security upon departure; and • Provide Security with a daily itinerary identifying expected campus locations and activities excluding scheduled classes.
PERMITTED LOCATIONS	Access shall be limited to instructional spaces and approved support services necessary to support the student's educational objectives. Permitted locations include: • Classrooms and instructional facilities associated with enrolled courses; • Learning Hub; • Writing Center; • Math Lab; • Student Resource and Advocacy Center; • Mental Health Services; • Academic Advising; • Financial Aid; • Admissions; • Library; and • Café 34. Additional locations may be approved by the Director, Student Conduct and Compliance and the Chief of Security based on educational necessity and campus safety considerations.
RESTRICTED LOCATIONS AND ACTIVITIES	Registered sex offenders are not permitted in the following campus locations: • Game Room; • Campus Housing; • Wellness Center; • Weight Room; • Gymnasium; and

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- Pool facilities.

Additional restrictions may be imposed based upon an individualized assessment of safety considerations, legal restrictions, supervision requirements, or information received from law enforcement agencies.

Unless specifically approved in writing by the Director, Student Conduct and Compliance and the Chief of Security, registered sex offenders may not participate in:

- Student clubs or organizations;
- Campus events unrelated to academic requirements;
- Recreational programs; or
- Other activities determined to present a safety concern.

CLASS
RESTRICTIONS

If a student who is required to register as a sex offender is enrolled in a class with one or more students who are minors, the Director, Student Conduct and Compliance will immediately notify the instructor of the student's status as a sex offender, and will confer with the Chief of Security to determine whether any other staff members need to be notified.

If the registered sex offender has been assigned a risk level of Level Two (Moderate) or Level Three (High), as defined in article 62.007 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, the registered sex offender will be required to enroll in an alternative class section without minors, or an online class.

FAILURE TO
COMPLY

Failure to comply with this regulation may result in:

- Student conduct action;
- Removal from campus;
- Issuance of a criminal trespass warning;
- Referral to law enforcement authorities; and/or
- Other actions authorized by College policy or applicable law.

INTERNAL
MONITORING
PROCEDURES

The Director, Student Conduct and Compliance shall conduct periodic reviews of the Texas Sex Offender Registry to identify individuals who may be attending classes without completing the required registration process.

Reviews shall be conducted:

- One week prior to the beginning of each semester;
- On the official census date; and
- Monthly throughout the semester.

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Individuals identified as non-compliant shall be contacted and required to complete the registration process immediately.

The Director, Student Conduct and Compliance shall also conduct periodic reviews to ensure that registered sex offenders are complying with applicable location and activity restrictions. Such reviews shall be conducted monthly throughout the semester. Violations of established restrictions will be addressed through the student conduct process with possible sanctions to include suspension or expulsion from the institution.

DENIAL OF
ADMISSION

Lee College reserves the right to deny admission if there is evidence to suggest that the student is a danger to themselves, other students, faculty, staff, and/or community stakeholders, or if it is found that denial of admission is in the best interest of the College. The College President or their designee shall make the final determination when denial of admission is recommended.

APPEAL RIGHTS

A student who is denied admission or enrollment, or who is disciplined, under this Regulation may appeal the decision by presenting a written appeal to the Vice President, Student Affairs, no later than three (3) business days after the student is notified of the decision. The decision of the Vice President, Student Affairs shall be final.