Annual Campus Safety and Crime Awareness Report

Section I: Description of Campus Security Policies
Providing a safe and secure campus is a key element in assisting the college in accomplishing its mission of offering instructional programs and student and community activities.

The college’s Board of Trustees and administration is committed to providing a safe campus. In addition to various measures that have been taken by the Board and administration to create a safe campus, students and staff are encouraged to be responsible for their own security and the security of others.

Following are various policies and procedures that the college has adopted to prevent and deal with security issues on college premises.

Incident Reporting
The college asks that all criminal actions, suspected criminal actions, accidents or unusual incidents be reported immediately. If you are a student, this can be done through your instructor. If you are an employee, this can be done through your supervisor. Both students and employees may also report directly to either the Switchboard Operator or the office of the Vice President of Student and Information Services.

In cases of an emergency, the college’s Switchboard Operator should be contacted immediately.

The college Security Staff is available to assist with safety and crime incident reports. The Switchboard Operator will directly contact the Security Staff or, in the event of an emergency situation, the Monroe County Sheriff’s Department. The switchboard can be reached by dialing “0” from any of the campus courtesy (red) phones located in the hallways of campus buildings. If the switchboard is closed, assistance can be requested by dialing 911 from a pay phone. No money is needed when dialing 911.

Section II: Crime Statistics
For the period beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2010, there have been none of the following crimes reported to the college’s campus security authorities or to the local law enforcement agencies.

Such crimes include:
- murder
- sex offense
- robbery
- aggravated assault
- burglary
- motor vehicle theft

In addition, for the same period there have been no arrests for crimes that occurred on campus for liquor violations, drug abuse violations or weapons possession.

Any questions about this report, campus security policies, or the college’s crime statistics should be directed to the office of the Vice President of Student and Information Services.

To see crime statistics for the three most current years, visit the link on the College Web page, www.monroeccc.edu/campus-security.htm. A hard copy is available upon request.

Campus Security
Campus security is the direct responsibility of the Vice President of Student and Information Services, while the Security Supervisor is responsible for day-to-day operations. The Security Staff is comprised of individuals with extensive law enforcement experience and knowledge. Campus Security provides a safe and secure campus environment for students, staff, faculty and visitors. Both foot and vehicle security/safety patrols are conducted in order to minimize and deter the occurrence of crime, protect the peace and serve the interests of the college. Campus Security has an excellent working relationship with local law enforcement agencies including the Sheriff’s Department and the Michigan State Police.

The college also has a Health and Safety Committee comprised of members of the college staff. One of the functions of the committee is to review and address various campus health and safety issues, including security and crime awareness and prevention.

Sexual Offender Information
In compliance with state and federal statutes, including the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act enacted on October 28, 2000, the campus community may obtain information about registered sex offenders from the Michigan State Police, Public Sex Offenders Registry Web Site, www.mipsor.state.mi.us.
Awareness and Prevention Programs
The college uses a variety of methods to disseminate information to staff and students about campus security procedures and practices including mailings, brochures, the Student Handbook, seminars, staff development programs, Campus/Community Events programs and the student newspaper.

In addition to these methods, if the information is deemed to be more timely in order to protect college staff or students or to prevent other occurrences, notification may be announced by the use of emails, flyers, campus bulletin boards, electronic message boards, the college’s public address system or by staff memos.

Students and staff should be familiar with these means of notification and routinely check these sources for security announcements.

Drug and Alcohol Policy
Monroe County Community College (MCCC) is concerned about the health and welfare of its employees and students. The College recognizes alcohol/drug dependency as an illness and a major health problem. The College also supports the state and federal laws regarding substance abuse and strives to create a healthy and productive academic, working and social environment. The abuse of alcohol and drugs raises not only serious health issues for those involved, but also can lead to accidents, poor productivity, property damage and even personal injury.

In compliance with the federal Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations, as well as the federal Drug-Free Workplace Act, MCCC has adopted a policy that requires employees and students to assist in maintaining a campus environment free from the effects of alcohol, drugs or other intoxicating substances.

Employees are prohibited from the following when reporting for work, while on the job or performing job related functions regardless of location, while attending any college-related activity, while on campus, or while in any vehicle used for college business.

Similarly, students are prohibited from the following when attending classes, when attending any college-sponsored activity or program, regardless of the location, while on campus or while in any vehicle used for College business.

- The unlawful use, possession, transportation, manufacture, sale or other distribution of an illegal or controlled substance or drug paraphernalia, or the misuse of or distribution to anyone other than the person to whom prescribed, of any prescription drug.

- The unauthorized use, possession, transportation, manufacture, sale or other distribution of alcohol.

- Being impaired by alcohol regardless of blood alcohol level, or having a blood alcohol level of legal limit, whether visibly impaired or not.

- Having a detectable amount of an illegal or controlled substance in the blood or urine (whether visibly impaired or not) or abuse of any controlled substance or prescription medication.

This policy includes the prohibition against use, manufacture, possession or distribution of marijuana, whether or not for medical use and whether or not the individual possesses a certificate of medical need, since such use, manufacture possession or distribution of marijuana continues to be a violation of federal law.

In addition, no alcoholic beverages will be permitted on campus or sold or provided by the District at any college-sponsored event off campus, unless approved in writing by the college’s President or the President’s designee.

This policy extends to off-campus activities including, but not limited to, class-related trips, field trips, athletic events, study or review sessions at a faculty member’s home or other facility if faculty is present at the session. Presidential approval for the availability of alcohol under this policy will normally require the following.

- Sponsors of an event must implement precautionary measures to ensure that alcoholic beverages are not accessible or served to persons under the legal drinking age or to persons who appear intoxicated. This shall include, but not be limited to, checking identification and training serving people and bartenders in alcohol management techniques.
• Alcoholic beverages may be sold, furnished and consumed only within the area approved and designated for the event.

• Non-alcoholic beverages must be available and identified at the same place as alcoholic beverages and be featured equally and at least as prominently as the alcoholic beverages.

• No event shall include any form of “drinking contest” in its activities or promotion.

• Advertisements for any college event where alcoholic beverages are served shall not focus on the availability of alcoholic beverages.

• Compliance with the terms of any college insurance policy, if any, is required.

• Any other requirements as the college, in its sole discretion, may impose.

For the purpose of this policy, the term “controlled substance” refers to drugs and chemical substances listed in Schedules I through V of the Federal Controlled Substances Act (21 USC 812) and related regulations, such as, but not limited to, marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin, peyote, mescaline, LSD, etc. Substances prohibited under this policy are prohibited in any form, including but not limited to pills, inhalants and beverages. Any individual whose test for controlled substances or their metabolites is confirmed positive will be deemed to be in violation of this policy. A blood alcohol content (BAC) test will be deemed positive, and therefore the individual will be deemed to be in violation of this policy, if the BAC level is of legal limit or above.

Additional Requirements
A particular college-sponsored or related program or event, such as the Study Abroad Program, may have additional or different requirements or conditions which are applicable to employees or students involved with that particular program or event. Anyone involved with or participating in such programs or events is required to adhere to and comply with this policy as well any additional requirements of the particular program or event. However, to the extent that alcoholic beverages are consumed while participating in a Study Abroad Program, such use may be permitted if consistent with the Study Abroad Program policy and with the terms of the particular program in which a person is participating.

Violations by Employees
The college will impose disciplinary action up to and including the immediate termination of employment for violation of this drug and alcohol policy. Violations or suspected violations of this policy may also result in a referral to a law enforcement agency. Suspected violations by employees are to be reported to the Office of Human Resources as soon as possible.

Violations by Students
Students whom the college determines have violated this drug and alcohol policy will be placed on disciplinary status up to and including dismissal or suspension from the college. These students also may be subject to losing financial aid. Violations or suspected violations of this policy may also result in a referral to a law enforcement agency. Suspected violations by students are to be reported to the Office of the Vice President of Student and Information Services as soon as possible. (See MCCC Policy 3.10, Due Process with Regard to Discipline other than Academic.)

Notice of Drug-Related Convictions
Any employee, student or student assistant convicted under any drug or alcohol statute for a violation occurring while working for the college, while on campus, while in any vehicle used for college business, or under any other circumstances which constitute a violation of this policy must notify the college’s Office of Human Resources immediately after such a conviction. A conviction includes any finding of guilt, any guilty plea or plea of no contest and/or imposition of a fine, jail sentence or other penalty. The college will determine if college policies have been violated and what, if any, disciplinary action will be administered.

Resources
MCCC is interested in the continued good health and personal well-being of the employees and students and we recognize that employees and students suffering from alcohol or drug dependence can be treated. Employees and students may contact the Director of Human Resources at (734.384.4245 or designee for a referral service. Any such contact will be kept in strict confidence except insofar as may be required by law. Employees may also contact the
It is furthermore the policy of the college that any illegal acts of discrimination or sexual harassment of students or employees will be considered as unacceptable and impermissible conduct. Such acts will not be condoned or tolerated by the college.

The college will investigate any allegation of illegal discrimination or sexual harassment. If inappropriate behavior is found to have occurred, prompt remedial action will be taken. Any employee found to have engaged in prohibited discrimination or sexual harassment is subject to immediate discipline up to and including termination, and any student found to have engaged in prohibited discrimination or sexual harassment is subject to immediate discipline, up to and including expulsion.

No employee or student will be disciplined or retaliated against for making a good faith complaint or request for investigation pursuant to this policy.

The college’s Equal Opportunity Officer and Title IX and Section 504/ADA Coordinator and Compliance Officer for discrimination and sexual harassment is the Director of Human Resources, Monroe County Community College, 1555 South Raisinville Road, Monroe, Michigan 48161, phone 734.384.4245.

For procedural information, please see the Web site at www.monroecc.edu.
her cumulative grade point average to 1.8 or more will be subject to dismissal. Cases of dismissal may be appealed to the Academic Review Committee. A dismissed student who appeals to the Academic Review Committee and is readmitted must continue to meet with the Academic Review Committee prior to registration for any subsequent semester or until such time the cumulative grade point average improves to 1.8 or higher. A readmitted student who achieves a grade point average of 2.25 or higher, even though his/her cumulative grade point average is not 1.8, will be considered to have demonstrated significant improvement and will automatically be continued on probation for the next semester.

Exceptions to this policy may be made by the Vice President of Student and Information Services or his/her designee.

**Academic Forgiveness Policy**

Monroe County Community College recognizes that some students experience difficulty with academic performance due to life’s circumstances, and oftentimes their subsequent academic record prohibits them from achieving educational and career goals. For example, life’s circumstances may include – but are not limited to – personal, emotional and/or financial problems or devastating and unavoidable events that did not permit them to perform at a level representative of their abilities. In an effort to lessen the negative impact of past performance on the student’s ability to earn a degree, certificate or successful transfer, the college offers to students the Academic Forgiveness Policy.

The primary purpose of this policy is to provide a “fresh start” to those students who performed poorly in the past but have since demonstrated an ability to succeed with college-level academic studies. This policy is not intended to permit students with chronically poor performance to stay in college, nor to raise false hopes for students who are not making progress.

Through academic forgiveness, the student may petition to have his/her academic grade point average recalculated with failing “E” grades forgiven according to the eligibility criteria and stipulations specified below. As an alternative to academic forgiveness, students are encouraged to consider the course-repeat option, whenever possible, to improve the GPA. Because this forgiveness policy may be granted one time only, students should discuss its appropriateness with a college counselor in the Admissions and Guidance Office.

When the eligibility requirements have been fulfilled and approved, the student’s cumulative GPA will be recalculated with the “E” grades removed from the calculation. Forgiven grades of “E” will remain on the student transcript with a special notation explaining this policy.

**Eligibility Criteria**

1. Forgiveness will be granted one time only for a student.
2. A maximum of 16 semester hours of “E” grades for courses numbered 100-level and above may be applied toward this policy.
3. If **fewer** than 36 months have elapsed since the end of the semester in which the last “E” grade to be forgiven was received, before the Academic Forgiveness Policy is applied, the student must have successfully completed (with a 2.00 GPA or higher) a minimum of 30 credit hours in courses numbered 100 or above.
4. If **more** than 36 months have elapsed since the end of the semester in which the last “E” grade to be forgiven was received, before the Academic Forgiveness Policy is applied, the student must have successfully completed (with a 2.00 GPA or higher) a minimum of 12 credit hours in courses numbered 100 or above.

**Stipulations**

1. The student may obtain an application for Academic Forgiveness from the college Registrar. The submitted application is reviewed by the Registrar for accuracy and is approved if all eligibility criteria and stipulations have been met.
2. The Financial Aid Office does not accept “forgiveness status” in the calculation of cumulative GPA for standards of progress.
3. Academic forgiveness, when granted, applies only to MCCC courses. There is no guarantee, expressed or implied, that academic forgiveness will be recognized by any other college or university.
4. Grades of “E” that have been documented for academic dishonesty are not eligible under this policy.
5. Limited access programs such as, but not limited to, nursing, respiratory therapy and culinary arts have program-specific academic standards, which address course failure/withdrawal for students enrolled in these programs.
6. A student can graduate with honors only if all grades are calculated, including forgiven “E” grades.
Student Code of Conduct and Due Process with Regard to Discipline other than Academic

Monroe County Community College is committed to maintaining a teaching and learning environment that fosters critical thinking, creativity, personal integrity and positive self-esteem. The intent of this document is to define a collegiate standard of behavior and to describe the actions to be taken if a person disregards this standard.

Rights and Responsibilities

Students have the rights and accept the responsibilities of participating in the educational process when they participate in any course, seminar or activity sponsored by MCCC. Each student is expected to respect the rights of others and to help create a positive environment where diversity of people and ideas are valued and tolerated. A collegiate community should be free from intimidation, discrimination, harassment and violence. Students are expected to know and obey federal, state and local ordinances, as well as college policies and procedures.

The Americans With Disabilities Act With Amendments (2008) affords students an equal opportunity to participate in educational courses/programs/services. If you have a permanent disability and require accommodations in order to meet the guidelines set forth in the MCCC Student Code of Conduct, please contact the Disability Services Office at 734.384.4167, located in the Learning Assistance Lab, C-218.

Code of Conduct

Students at MCCC are expected to show respect for order, law, the rights of others and the mission of the college, as well as to maintain standards of personal integrity.

Behavior that violates these standards includes, but is not limited to:

1. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, administration, or other normal college operations or activities.
2. Failure to comply with directions of college officials, security or other law enforcement officers while acting in the performance of their duties.
3. Direct or indirect threats to the health or safety of self or others.
4. Illegal use, possession or distribution of alcoholic beverages, narcotics, or controlled substances or public intoxication.
5. Theft or destruction on college property.
6. Unauthorized entry or use of college facilities.
7. Misuse of college or personal technology or violation of the Acceptable Use Policy.
8. Harassment or discrimination.
9. Possession of firearms, explosives, chemicals or other dangerous weapons.
10. Conduct which is disorderly, lewd or indecent.

Disciplinary Procedure

Action by the Vice President of Student and Information Services may be initiated upon his/her knowledge of any student conduct considered to be unsatisfactory. Action will also be initiated upon the receipt of a written statement from any Monroe County Community College employee who reports that a student’s conduct has been unsatisfactory. The Vice President of Student and Information Services will then:

1. Notify the student in writing within *five (5) working days of the complaint filed against him/her, and/or arrange for a conference with said student.
2. Meet with the student whose conduct has been accused of being unsatisfactory.
3. Make a decision of what disciplinary status to impose upon the student based upon the severity of the problem:
   a. Warn the student that past conduct or behavior has not been satisfactory and/or
   b. Curtail specified privileges for a designated period of time and/or
   c. Have the student make financial restitution to the college and/or
   d. Dismiss or suspend the student from the college.
4. Send a certified letter within *five (5) working days to let the student know what disciplinary action will be taken and that he/she can appeal the decision.
Guidelines For Classroom Discipline
If a student behaves in a disruptive or unsafe manner, the instructor in charge may dismiss the student responsible from the class. The instructor should review the student's behavior with the student prior to the next class meeting to determine cause for further action. The instructor may permit the student to return to class after satisfying himself or herself of the student's desire to refrain from the behavior that led to his/her suspension. The instructor may decide to disallow the student's continuation in the class. It is the duty of the instructor in charge, however, to inform the student that he/she may appeal the dismissal to the instructor's division dean. If the student is not readmitted to class, it is also the duty of the instructor to notify his/her division dean of the student's dismissal.

Should the student appeal his/her dismissal to the instructor's division dean, it will be the responsibility of the instructor and the division dean to come to an agreement as to whether the student should be allowed to return to the instructor's class. This agreement must be reached as soon as possible, but should not exceed 48 hours from the time the student is dismissed from class.

If the division dean, the instructor and the student cannot reach an agreement allowing a student to return to class, a committee will be established and called into session within an additional 48 hours to hear the facts from all parties involved. This committee will be formed as follows: Student Government shall appoint two students with no vested interest to the appeal committee; the chair of the academic review committee will appoint two non-vested faculty members to the committee, and the Vice President of Student and Information Services will appoint one administrator not directly related to the problem. This committee will make its recommendation to the Vice President of Instruction. The decision of the Vice President of Instruction is final and binding.

Academic Dishonesty Procedures
Statement on Academic Honesty
The college expects students to be honest in all academic work and maintain their own integrity as well as the academic integrity and reputation of their institution. Students who seek to better their records in dishonest ways demean themselves and show a lack of regard for others. Instead, students should take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the college to ensure that their time here is well spent, their experience is productive and their academic credentials are valuable. Students who do this will be better prepared for future endeavors and are more likely to meet with success in a world in which their performance will be the main criterion of recognition and advancement.

Acquisition of knowledge and the development of the skills necessary for success in one’s chosen field are among the aims of education. Academic dishonesty is inconsistent with those aims and will not be tolerated. Academic dishonesty is an intentional act of fraud in which a student seeks to claim credit for the work or efforts of another without authorization or uses unauthorized materials or fabricated information in any academic exercise. The college considers academic dishonesty to include forgery of academic documents, intentionally impeding or damaging the academic work of others or assisting other students in acts of dishonesty. It is the student's responsibility to know what constitutes academic dishonesty. If a student is unclear whether a particular act constitutes academic dishonesty, he or she should consult with the instructor of the class involved.

Any act of academic dishonesty will result in disciplinary action by the college. The maximum penalty under the provisions of this policy is permanent expulsion from the college. Disciplinary action will be determined according to the severity of the infraction as recommended by the faculty member and sanctioned by the college administration.

Disciplinary Procedure
1. All acts of academic dishonesty, based on the instructor's determination of probable cause* must be reviewed with the appropriate academic dean. After the review, the dean will notify the Vice President of Student and Information Services, and the faculty member will submit the Academic Dishonesty Report Form to the Vice President of Student and Information Services, the student and the dean. Upon receipt of notification, the Vice President of Student and Information Services will place an academic hold on the student record. The hold will prevent the student from withdrawing during the review.

*All procedural timelines may be adjusted by the vice president in the interest of facilitating due process and fairness.
After the student acknowledges receipt of the academic dishonesty report form (by signature, returned e-mail, registered mail receipt), he/she will have 10 days to respond to the charge and recommended penalty. In the event the student fails to respond, and if the Vice President of Student and Information Services accepts the recommended disciplinary action, the student waives the right to an appeal.

2. The faculty member reporting an act of academic dishonesty may recommend expulsion from the college or program; or a lesser disciplinary action such as a failing grade on the test, paper, project, etc.; or a failing grade in the course. In all cases of academic dishonesty, the proportionality of the sanction is to be considered relative to the incident. Sanctions less than expulsion should be based on a preponderance of the evidence**, whereas expulsion from the college or a program should be based on clear and convincing evidence***.

3. The Vice President of Student and Information Services shall make available an opportunity for consultation with both parties. Following consultation (if desired by either or both parties), the Vice President shall inform, in writing, the faculty member and student of his/her acceptance, rejection or modification of the disciplinary recommendation within seven days of the deadline to appeal.

4. The Vice President shall inform both parties of the appeal/due process available.

5. The Vice President shall maintain a record of all acts of academic dishonesty.

6. Once the faculty member recommends disciplinary action, the student shall not be permitted to withdraw from the course until the review process is completed. If the charge of academic dishonesty is set aside, the student may withdraw from the course by following the withdrawal procedures for the time period of the initial incident.

7. Procedural timelines may be waived by the Vice President in the interest of facilitating due process and fairness.

** Preponderance of the evidence: burden of proof has been established by evidence which outweighs the evidence against.

*** Clear and convincing evidence: the evidence must satisfy that the proposition has been established with a high degree of probability.

Appeals Procedure

1. A student subject to disciplinary action for academic dishonesty or the faculty member who reported the act of academic dishonesty may appeal the decision of the Vice President of Student and Information Services as to whether academic dishonesty did or did not take place. Neither the student nor the faculty member can appeal the disciplinary action or sanction as rendered by the Vice President. The appeal must be made to the Vice President’s office within seven days of notice of the Vice President’s decision.

2. The Vice President shall appoint an appeals committee composed of two students, two faculty members and an administrator to hear the appeals. The appointed administrator shall chair the committee. The Vice President and the faculty member making the charge shall not serve on the committee.

3. If it is the Vice President’s decision that academic dishonesty has occurred and the student appeals, the committee shall determine whether the student has committed academic dishonesty. If the committee determines the student has not committed academic dishonesty, all disciplinary action shall be rescinded. If the committee determines the student has committed academic dishonesty, the Vice President’s disciplinary action shall stand. The committee’s determination shall be final and binding.

4. If the Vice President determines that the charge of academic dishonesty has not been proven, the faculty member may appeal the decision. If the appeals committee (see item 2) determines that an act or acts of academic dishonesty has been proven, the committee shall, by majority vote, determine the appropriate sanction. The committee’s determination shall be final and binding.

Academic Probation and Academic Dismissal Policy

A student who has completed 10 credit hours or more (and received a grade of A, B, C, D or E) at Monroe County Community College is automatically placed on probation at the end of the semester when his/her cumulative grade point average falls below 1.8.

A student who has been placed on probation will be removed from probation when he/she has achieved a cumulative grade point average of 1.8 or more.
Students on academic probation may not enroll for more than 12 semester hours. A student on probation who earns a semester grade point average of 2.5 or higher while taking 10 credit hours may carry 15 hours the next semester with the approval of his/her advisor.

During the semester in which the 20th semester hour is completed, a student on probation who fails to raise his/her cumulative grade point average to 1.8 or more will be subject to dismissal. Cases of dismissal may be appealed to the Academic Review Committee. A dismissed student who appeals to the Academic Review Committee and is readmitted must continue to meet with the Academic Review Committee prior to registration for any subsequent semester or until such time the cumulative grade point average improves to 1.8 or higher. A readmitted student who achieves a grade point average of 2.25 or higher, even though his/her cumulative grade point average is not 1.8, will be considered to have demonstrated significant improvement and will automatically be continued on probation for the next semester.

Exceptions to this policy may be made by the Vice President of Student and Information Services or his/her designee.

**Graduation/Completion Information**

**Student Right to Know Act**
The United States Department of Education requires all community colleges to provide current and prospective students with historical data regarding the number of students who complete a degree or a certificate. This data has been standardized so all colleges provide the information on a consistent basis. The reporting covers only students who indicated at the time of their college admission that they were seeking a degree or a certificate, and is compiled three years after their date of admission. The information was retrieved from college records and responses from a student questionnaire.

In addition to the above criteria, the following numbers cover only full-time (12 credit hours or more) students whose first semester at Monroe County Community College was Fall 2005. MCCC is proud to note that community colleges in general have an excellent reputation for meeting their students’ goals, whether those goals are to receive a degree or certificate or prepare for a career or improve job skills. Because many of the programs offered at MCCC do not lead to a degree or certificate, we are especially pleased with our 26 percent graduation rate that compares favorably with other Michigan community colleges.

The following numbers are based on 333 full-time students who met the above criteria for this reporting period. Of 333 students:

- 87 (26 percent) had graduated with an associate’s degree or completion certificate.
- 60 (18 percent) were still enrolled at MCCC.
- 29 (9 percent) reported they transferred to another college or university.
- 157 (47 percent) were no longer attending MCCC.

**Social Security Number Privacy Policy**
The State of Michigan Public Act 454 of 2004 establishes regulations to help ensure the privacy of student Social Security numbers. This includes the proper use, disclosure and disposal of student Social Security numbers.

The Community College District of Monroe County, Michigan will follow procedures to ensure that these requirements are met.

For procedural information, please see the Web site at www.monroeccc.edu.

**Access to Campus Facilities**
In addition to sponsoring and co-sponsoring a variety of events in which college facilities and grounds are open to the public, the college may allow non-profit community groups and profit organizations to use college facilities. (See MCCC Policies and Procedures 6.18(a).)

Students may also receive permission to access college buildings during non-operating hours if authorization is granted via a Building Admittance Permit. (See MCCC Policies and Procedures 6.23.)
Children on Campus
MCCC students, staff and visitors are absolutely prohibited from leaving children of any age on college property. MCCC assumes no responsibility for the safety of children left on college property. Compliance with this rule is essential. MCCC students and staff are urged to contact the Child Care Center for the hours of operation and registration information. If the Child Care Center is not available, or if the child is not within the Center’s age limit, then other child care arrangements must be secured. There are no exceptions to the absolute prohibition against leaving children on college property.

Smoking Policy
Smoking is subject to all applicable laws, including federal and state “clean air” acts.

Smoking is prohibited on all college grounds.

Statement of Student Financial Aid Rights and Responsibilities
1. Students have the right to be informed of and to apply for all financial aid programs for which they are eligible. The responsibility to apply by program deadlines and to acquaint themselves with the application procedure resides with the student.

2. Students have the right to know how financial need and award packages will be determined and to request a review of the financial aid package should circumstances change to negatively affect the family’s ability to meet costs of attendance. Students also have the responsibility to notify the college should new resources become available to them that were not originally considered.

3. Students who borrow to attend the college have a right to full disclosure of the terms and provisions of loan programs, including typical repayment schedules and the responsibility to attend exit interviews before leaving the college. They must repay loans on a timely basis and keep the college informed of their current address.

4. Students have the right to be informed of financial aid policies and have the responsibility to be aware of all published financial aid policies and to comply with these policies.

5. Students have the responsibility to submit accurate information on all college documents relating to the financial aid application process.

6. Students must continue to make satisfactory academic progress in the program in which they are enrolled. Students must not owe any refunds on Pell Grants or other awards or be in default on repayment on any student loan.

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 amended the Internal Revenue Code section pertaining to the taxability of scholarship and fellowship grants. Effective January 1, 1987, only the amount of a scholarship or fellowship grant which is used for qualified tuition and related expenses (i.e. tuition, fees, books, supplies and equipment) is excluded from gross income. Any amount of a scholarship or fellowship grant which is used for non-course related expenses (such as room and board) is taxable and has to be included in the student’s gross income.

Monroe County Community College is an equal opportunity institution and adheres to a policy that no qualified person shall be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, gender, marital status, disability, genetic information, sexual orientation, height, weight or veteran’s status in any program or activity for which it is responsible.