

**SAN ANTONIO COLLEGE  
OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE:  
GUIDELINES FOR EXPRESSION AND DEMONSTRATIONS**

San Antonio College supports First Amendment rights and encourages freedom of expression or demonstration in a manner which is organized and non-disruptive. San Antonio College may prohibit expression by students, by members of the Alamo Community College District community, or by members of the public if:

1. It materially and/or substantially interferes with school operations;
2. It materially and/or substantially interferes with the rights of other students or teachers; or
3. The College can demonstrate reasonable cause to believe that the expression would cause material and/or substantial interference.

The grounds will be made available to students, to members of the District community, and to the public for expression/demonstration purposes, provided such use does not conflict with normally scheduled activities, or any of the policies and procedures of the District.

**APPLICATION  
PROCEDURES**

Those wishing to stage an organized expression activity or demonstration must submit an application through the Office of Student Life, Loftin Student Center, Room 152. The application must be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the proposed event. Exceptions may be granted by the President or the President's designees.

**RESTRICTIONS**

Expression activities and demonstrations are subject to the following restrictions:

1. Events may only be scheduled between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
2. Events may only be staged out-of-doors.
3. To prevent obstruction of walkways, entrances/exits, or stairs expression activities and demonstrations will not be staged within 50 feet from any building.
4. Events will not impede pedestrian traffic in the mall area, or on sidewalks and other walkways.
5. Events will not interrupt the flow of vehicular traffic on streets or parking lots.
6. Expression activities and demonstrations will not interfere with the ongoing activities of the college, hinder academic or institutional activities, or impinge on the rights of others.
7. Demonstrators may not accost or heckle individuals.
8. Amplification of any form (i.e. loudspeakers, megaphones, etc.) will not be permitted.

9. Demonstrators are responsible for cleaning the area at the end of the event.

## **PETITIONS, HANDBILLS AND LITERATURE**

Petitions, handbills and literature are permitted for distribution; however, such materials must be submitted for approval with the application. Each petition, handbill, or piece of literature is subject to the following restrictions:

1. Literature must not be obscene (i.e. indecent, lewd, disgusting or offensive to accepted standards of decency or modesty), libelous (i.e. evil, harmful or untrue statements), or contain nonpermissible solicitation.
2. Literature must not espouse the use of alcohol or drugs.
3. Each petition, handbill, or piece of literature shall identify the person or organization distributing it.
4. No person or organization may distribute literature by accosting individuals, or by hawking or shouting.
5. Distributors must clean the area around which the literature was distributed.

## **SIGNS**

Hand-held signs, posters, placards and banners are permitted for display purposes; however, such materials must be submitted for approval with the application. No person may carry or post a sign that:

1. Contains nonpermissible solicitation.
2. Contains material that is obscene (i.e. indecent, lewd, disgusting or offensive to accepted standards of decency or modesty) or libelous (i.e. evil, harmful or untrue statements).
3. Advocates the use of alcohol or drugs.
4. Is larger than twenty-two inches by twenty-eight inches.

**APPLICATION FOR EXPRESSION ACTIVITY OR DEMONSTRATION**

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Time of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

(Events may only be scheduled between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.)

Proposed Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Nature of Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

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Approximate Number of Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

***Applicants must include proposed literature and/or signs to be displayed for approval.***

**Approved/Disapproved.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Director of Student Life or Designated  
Representative

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Dean of Student Affairs

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Date