

2450 – Employee Conduct and Discipline

College employees are expected to conduct themselves with professionalism as they perform the responsibilities of their positions to the best of their ability. Conduct that violates College and work area policies and procedures and/or the law, and which may be considered unsafe, imprudent, disruptive, and not in the best interests of the College may result in disciplinary action.

The College wishes to administer consistent and fair discipline for unsatisfactory performance and/or conduct in the work place. The primary purpose of employee discipline is to correct the problem, prevent recurrence, and prepare the employee for satisfactory service.

The College may take a number of actions, including but not limited to the following: verbal warning¹ (in which case a [Documentation of Verbal Warning Form](#) will be implemented); written warning² (in which case a [Performance Improvement Plan](#) will be implemented); suspension (administrative leave) with or without pay (in which case a [Notice of Suspension](#) will be implemented); and/or termination of employment. These actions are not necessarily progressive in nature and may be used as needed.

Employee discipline is the responsibility of the supervisor [in consultation with](#) ,~~and is coordinated through~~ the Office of Human Resources.

~~(Based on policy 1435; revised and approved by President on 11/14/11)~~

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Contact(s)

Director of Human Resources

Related Form(s)

[Documentation of Verbal Warning Form](#)

[Notice of Suspension](#)

[Performance Improvement Plan Form](#)

[Performance Improvement Plan Form Sample](#)

Relevant Policy or Procedure(s): [1435 – Employee Conduct and Discipline](#)

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¹ A verbal warning occurs when a supervisor verbally counsels an employee about an issue of concern. A written record of the discussion is documented on the Documentation of Verbal Warning Form and placed into the employee's personnel file for future reference.

² Written warnings are used for behavior or violations that a supervisor considers serious or when a verbal warning has not helped change unacceptable behavior. Whenever an employee has been involved in a disciplinary situation that has not been readily resolved or when he or she has demonstrated an inability to perform assigned work responsibilities efficiently, the supervisor, in consultation with the Office of Human Resources, may place the employee on a Performance Improvement Plan.

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