#### WESTERN NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# Western Community College Area Board of Governors' Policy

**TITLE:** Missing Student Notification

**DIVISION:** Student Services

**CATEGORY:** Residence Life

**REFFERENCE:** 34 CFR §668.46(h)

**NUMBER:** BP-531

**APPROVAL/DATE:** F. Lynne Klemke, President, WCCA Board of Governors

Date: December 18, 2019

### **Purpose:**

Western Nebraska Community College (WNCC) is committed to creating and preserving a safe and secure environment for its students. In accordance with this commitment, this policy and the corresponding procedures, establish a framework for action to assist in locating students residing in College-owned or controlled student housing facilities who are reported missing.

#### Scope

This policy applies to all students who reside in the College's student housing.

#### **Definitions**

*Missing Student*: A WNCC student who resides in a WNCC-owned or controlled student housing facility, who has not been seen by students or staff for 24 hours, or less if circumstances warrant, and whose whereabouts have been questioned and brought to the attention of a WNCC staff member.

WNCC-owned or controlled student housing facilities: Buildings owned by WNCC that provide student housing, buildings owned by a third party that have a written agreement with the College to provide student housing, and/or buildings that house students located on property owned or controlled by the College.

### **Policy**

When a student residing in a WNCC-owned or controlled student housing facility and is determined to be missing for 24 hours, or less if circumstances warrant, this policy and the corresponding College procedures will be implemented to assist in locating the student.

## **Revising this Policy**

This WCCA Board policy supersedes any prior WNCC policy, procedure, guideline or handbook on this subject matter.

If statutory provisions, regulatory guidance, or court interpretations change or conflict with this Board Policy, the Board retains the right to revise accordingly and for the changes to take effect immediately.

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**Prior Policy Number:** Schedule for Review:

**Divisions/Department Responsible for Review and Update:** Housing

**Sponsoring Division/Department:** Student Services

**Repeal Date:** 

**Cross Reference:** 

**Procedure(s) for Policy:** 

PP-531 Missing Student Notification Procedure

**Related Policies/References:**