



<p align="center"><b>Policy Title</b> Political Activities on College Premises</p>	<p align="center"><b>Original Adoption Date</b> 10/11/2011</p>	<p align="center"><b>Policy Number</b> HR-655</p>
<p align="center"><b>Responsible College Division/Department</b> Human Resources</p>	<p align="center"><b>Responsible College Manager Title</b> Executive Director of Human Resources</p>	
<p align="center"><b>Policy Statement</b></p> <p>The care, control, and management of the campus of the Lakeshore Technical College, at all locations, is vested within the College District Board and Office of the College President. College buildings and premises of all types are intended for educational purposes authorized by the District Board and President. College buildings and all premises are not a forum open to the general public for public discourse or political activity, as defined herein. The District Board and College President have not designated, and no official of the College is authorized without prior Board approval, to designate any area of College premises, either in whole or in part, to be an open public forum or limited public forum for the purpose of public discourse or political activity as defined, herein.</p> <p>The mission of the College is andragogic. The District Board, College President, and other College officials act in the public interest through precluding a public impression that the College endorses particular political candidates, groups, messages, or positions.</p> <p>With the exception of forums, student "straw polls" and similar student programs, specifically sanctioned by the College President, political activity is not permitted in any College building or at any location on College premises, wherever located, at any time. Political activity includes, but is not limited to; distribution or posting of political campaign literature, leafleting, posting of signs, circulating petitions, and nomination papers, political fundraising, picketing, rallies, protests, meetings, speeches, demonstrations, and hand billing, and any other activities which disrupt academic work or any function of the College.</p> <p>Subject to applicable local ordinances, political activity is authorized on public walk ways along roads contiguous to College premises. Public walk ways may be recognized as traditional public forums. Political activity on public walk ways, however, may not disrupt or interfere with the College curriculum, the orderly ingress or egress of persons from College buildings, the safe and efficient movement of persons on or off of College premises, or the orderly operation of classes, or functioning of the College. The College President is authorized to take necessary and reasonable action to restrict or limit the effect of political activity occurring off of College premises, which directly and adversely impacts College premises, so long as such restrictions are non-discriminatory and viewpoint neutral.</p> <p>Campus security resources and law enforcement agencies will be summoned in response to conduct in violation of the terms of this policy which is disruptive, threatening, or a violation of law.</p>		
<p align="center"><b>Reason for Policy</b></p> <p>The care, control, and management of all LTC college premises rest with the college President and/or Board relative to any political activities.</p>		



**Historical Data, Cross References and Legal Review**

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**Legal Counsel Review and Approval:** 10/06/11

**Board Policy:** Board Policy: III.A. General Executive Constraint

See: [Employee Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy](#)