



Blue Mountain Community College *Administrative Procedure*

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Purpose/Principle:

Student organizations and Student Life activities are designed to serve students and contribute to the academic, political, cultural, religious/spiritual, social, or recreational life of students enrolled at BMCC. These venues are a valuable part of the student experience and provide opportunities for students to take on leadership roles, gain civic awareness, build skills related to organizational development and administration, participate in event planning, learn about fundraising, understand budgeting, and develop marketing and public relations skills. Student organizations and Student Life activities at BMCC will also provide learning experiences specific to students' areas of academic or extracurricular interest.

Definitions:

Student Organizations: Sanctioned ASG, Ambassadors, Clubs.

Student Life Activities: Student-led events, activities that have been organized in accordance with the BMCC Student Life Event/Activity guidelines and approved by the Student Life Office.

High Adventure Event: Sanctioned off-campus events facilitated by the Student Life Office. Events that fall under this include, but are not limited to, skiing and snowboarding, hiking, camping, rafting, bicycling and paint ball trips. These are typically one-day trips, but may include overnight.

Guidelines:

1. Assumption of Risk:

Participation in Student Life activities is strictly voluntary. There are risks inherent to participation in sports and recreation. BMCC does not assume responsibility for personal injuries or loss of property. Injuries and their resulting costs are the responsibility of the participant. In the event of an injury, BMCC will follow safety protocols and work with local officials. All participants are

required to sign the BMCC liability waiver providing an emergency contact and any medical conditions that could arise prior to participation.

2. Eligibility:

Participants must be currently enrolled in at least one credit course at BMCC to be eligible to participate in student organizations and Student Life activities. A BMCC student ID may be required for proof of eligibility. Students must be in good standing with BMCC in order to participate and are expected to abide by the BMCC Student Code of Conduct Standards through the duration of the activity.

- a. Student standing will be checked by the Student Life Office prior to any High Adventure activity. Ineligible students will be notified by the Student Life Office. Exception to this standard will be at the discretion of the Director of Athletics, Outreach, and Student Life in consultation with Vice President of Student Affairs or their designee.
- b. Violation of the Student Code of Conduct may result in the student being removed from the event and/or the activity being cancelled. This action will be at the discretion of the Student Life Coordinator in consultation with the Director of Athletics, Outreach, and Student Life. Any student who is removed from a High Adventure activity due to violation of student conduct will be responsible for their costs associated with this action.
- c. BMCC employees may be approved by the Director of Athletics, Outreach, and Student Life to participate in Student Life High Adventure events.

3. Fair and Equitable:

An annual calendar of approved Student Life activities for the main campus and outlying centers will be published in the spring for the following academic year. Efforts will be made to offer a wide variety of activities with the general student needs/interests of each BMCC location in mind.

- a. Each High Adventure activity will have a percentage of spots reserved for each location based on current enrollment and first come basis. Priority will first be given to those students who have not yet participated in a High Adventure activity.
- b. Student Life will accommodate transportation from each location as needed for activities.

4. Transportation:

All student participants will be required to travel with BMCC to and from an off-site BMCC-sponsored event.

Reference to forms:

Student Club Event/Activity Approval

See administrative procedures:

07-2003-0003 Academic Progress (AP)

07-2006-0007 Referral to Student Disability Services

07-2003-0016 Statement of Rights & Responsibilities

01-2002-0001 Travel Procedures (sections 2.3 and 2.12)