

Article I - General

Section 1 - Introduction

A. College Responsibilities to Students

The primary concern of John A. Logan College is the student. The College attempts to provide all students with an environment that is conducive to academic endeavor, social growth, and individual self-discipline. The faculty and staff seek to achieve this goal through sound educational programs and policies.

The College community has a responsibility to provide for its members those privileges, opportunities, and protections which best promote the learning process. In order to achieve this goal, all members of the College community must be aware and respectful of the rights of others.

The regulations contained in this handbook of rights and responsibilities, and the sanctions for the violations of the same, are made for the purpose of providing an environment conducive to the educational and social development of all students at John A. Logan College.

Every regulation shall be as clear and specific as possible. Disciplinary sanctions shall be commensurate with the seriousness of the offense. Repeated violations may justify increasingly severe disciplinary sanctions.

All regulations and policies shall be in writing and shall be published, distributed, posted or made available in such a manner as to furnish adequate notice to all students.

B. Student Responsibilities

Students are to read and conform to the policies outlined in this document. Students should attempt to obtain maximum benefit from all instructional opportunities and College resources. In addition to adhering to College policies, students are expected to conduct themselves in a manner that creates an appropriate academic and social atmosphere.

C. Academic Freedom for Students

In the interest of promoting the best possible educational environment for members of the John A. Logan College community, and remaining consistent with the rights and responsibilities of others; students are free to examine issues and express their opinions. The regulations contained in this code are designed to achieve the maximum academic freedom in conjunction with necessary order. Students are guaranteed their constitutional rights of freedom of speech and assembly.

D. Relationship to Local Judicial System

When a student has been apprehended for violation of the law in the community, state, or nation, John A. Logan College will not request or agree to special consideration for the individual because of his or her status as a student. John A. Logan College will cooperate fully with law enforcement and other agencies in any program for rehabilitation of the student.

Except for inappropriate conduct on the campus at a College-sponsored event, or in settings where the College has a contractual arrangement for education, housing, or transportation; the College ordinarily will not impose further sanctions after law enforcement agencies, including any judicial systems, have disposed of the case. The College's officials have the right and the responsibility, to initiate disciplinary action if the student's conduct has interfered with the College's educational functions or responsibilities to the College community. Any disciplinary action taken on this basis shall conform to the terms of the code, including appeal.