

Expressive Activities by the Campus Community

In accordance with Act 2019-396 of the Alabama Legislature and the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) Board of Trustees' Policy 224.01: Expressive Activities by the Campus Community, effective December 9, 2020, Central Alabama Community College's policy on Expressive Activities by the Campus Community is as follows:

I. Findings

Central Alabama Community College finds the following:

- A. A primary function of Central Alabama Community College is the discovery, improvement, transmission, and dissemination of knowledge by means of research, teaching, discussion, and debate, and that to fulfill that function, the Colleges will strive to ensure the fullest degree possible of intellectual freedom and free expression.
- B. It is not the proper role of Central Alabama Community College to shield individuals from speech protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, including without limitation, ideas and opinions they find unwelcome, disagreeable, or offensive.
- C. Students, administrators, faculty, and staff are free to take positions on public controversies and to engage in protected expressive activity in outdoor areas of the campus, and to

Expressive activities are defined as those activities protected under the First Amendment

4. Threats to passerby or the use of fighting words, which are words that by their mere utterance inflict violence or would tend to incite a reasonable person to violence or other breach of the peace;
5. Following, badgering, or forcibly detaining individuals;
6. Interference with scheduled College classes, ceremonies or events, including memorials, dedications or classroom activities, whether indoors or outdoors;
7. Damage to property, including buildings, benches, sidewalks, fixtures, grass, shrubs, trees, flowers, or other landscaping;
8. Use of sound amplification, including bullhorns, except within reasonable limits that will not disrupt normal College operations;
9. Use of placards, banners, or signs that are dangerous or cause obstruction as described in subsections 1 and 2 above;
10. Engaging in expressive activities in prohibited or restricted areas as defined in Sections II.B. and II.C. above;
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security are expected to provide sufficient notice to the Dean of Students and to the Chief of Police at least one week, but no less than 48 hours in advance of the event. Such arrangements enable Central Alabama Community College to ensure the event takes place in a safe and constructive manner.

J. Individuals and groups who engage in expressive activity in outdoor areas on Central

III. Commercial Activity on Campus

Individuals, organizations and groups, both internal and external to Central Alabama Community College, may not conduct commercial transactions or engage in commercial speech on Central Alabama Community College property unless authorized pursuant to ACCS Board of Trustees Policy 515.01 and approved by the Dean of Students in advance. No on-campus individual or organization may distribute literature, advertise, solicit customers, recruit volunteers, employees or members, seek donations, or make sales on campus without sponsorship by a registered student organization and approval by the Dean of Students.

Commercial speech means speech in which the speaker is engaged in commerce, the intended audience is commercial or actual or potential consumers, and the content of the message is commerc