



# PimaCountyCommunityCollegeDistrict Board Policy

<i>Board Policy Title:</i>	<b>Public Access and Free Expression on College Property</b>
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<i>Cross Reference:</i>	Public Access and Expression on College Property, AP 1.17.01

The Pima Community College (“College”) Governing Board believes that the freedom to teach and learn, to express oneself freely, and to assemble and protest lawfully are essential to the College’s education mission and to academic freedom.

In particular, the Governing Board affirms the following:

1. The primary function of the College is the discovery, improvement, transmission, and dissemination of knowledge by means of research, teaching, discussion, and debate. To fulfill this function, the College shall strive to ensure the fullest degree of intellectual freedom and free expression.
2. The College role does not include shielding individuals from speech protected by the First Amendment, including, without limitation, ideas and opinions that may be unwelcome, disagreeable, or deeply offensive.

3. The College's students, faculty, employees, and community members are free to express their personal opinions and beliefs and to discuss any issue that presents itself, as allowed by the First Amendment and within the limits of the content-neutral time, place, and manner restrictions established by the College. Students, faculty, employees, and community members may assemble and engage in spontaneous expressive activities if those activities are not unlawful and do not materially and substantially disrupt the functioning of the College.
  
4. Students, faculty, and employees of the College who engage in conduct that materially and substantially infringes on the rights of other persons to engage in or listen to lawful expressive activity may be subject to disciplinary sanctions. Community members who engage in such activity may be removed from College property.

The Board delegates to the Chancellor the responsibility to develop and enact procedures to implement this Board Policy in compliance with applicable federal and state law, including A.R.S. § 15-1866.