

02.24 Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA)

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Policy / Purpose:

It is the policy of Wallace Community College – Selma (WCCS) to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (“Title IX”), the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (“VAWA”), Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (“Title VII”), the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (“Clery Act”), the Preventing Sexual Violence in Higher Education Act, and all other applicable laws and local ordinances regarding unlawful sex-based discrimination, harassment, or other misconduct.

VAWA’s SaVE Act provision adds domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking to the Clery Act reporting requirements.

Scope:

Refer to the Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Interpersonal Violence (Title IX) Policy.

Definitions:

Domestic Violence: Includes felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed by a current or former spouse of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse, by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction, or by any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction.

Dating Violence: Violence committed by a person: A) Who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim; and B) Where the existence of such a relationship will be determined based on a consideration of the following factors: (i) The length of the relationship, (ii) The type of relationship, and (iii) The frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

Stalking: Engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to: A) Fear for his or her safety or the safety of others; or B) Suffer substantial emotional distress.

Details:

1. Refer to the Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Interpersonal Violence (Title IX) Policy.

Procedure(s):

1. Refer to the Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Interpersonal Violence (Title IX) Policy.

Additional Provisions / Information:

1. Refer to the Sexual Harassment, Sexual Misconduct, and Interpersonal Violence (Title IX) Policy.