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ANNUAL SECURITY AND FIRE SAFETY REPORT



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INTRODUCTION - ANNUAL REPORT PREPARATION

The Graham County Community College District dba Eastern Arizona College (EAC or the College) complies with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), 20 U.S.C. Code § 1092(f), which requires the distribution of an Annual Security Report and Annual Fire Safety Report to employees and students and notice of its availability to prospective employees and students. The College combines the report into one document, "The Annual Security and Fire Safety Report." The report is intended to inform the campus community of campus safety information, Clery Act crime and fire statistics, policies and procedures relating to sexual violence, emergency response, and other safety factors. The crime statistics in this report are a collection of crimes reported to campus police, campus security officers, local law enforcement, Title IX coordinators, and other campus security authorities.

The EAC Campus Police Department, the Student Life Office, the Enterprise Risk Management Office, and the Office of the Vice President of Administration/CBO work together to prepare and publish the report. The Director of Enterprise Risk Management submits the crime statistics (and other related information) for all three campuses electronically to the United States Department of Education by the deadline provided each year. Notice of the availability of the report is sent by email to all enrolled students and employees, by the deadline provided each year. The email contains a link to College's Campus Safety webpage: https://eac.edu/campus-safety/, and the report can be found at the bottom of that page. The link is also provided on all position opening notices (PON), in the academic catalog, on full and part-time contracts, and various web pages (i.e., "Employment Opportunities," "Admissions Form," "Student Life" and "Consumer Information") on www.eac.edu. Additional copies are available at the Alumni Library (Thatcher Campus), the Learning Resource Center (Payson Campus), and the Library (Gila Pueblo Campus). A paper copy of the report will be provided upon request by contacting the Office of Enterprise Risk Management, located in the Student Services Building, Room 251, 615 N. Stadium Avenue, Thatcher, AZ 85552, or by calling (928) 428-8488.

CAMPUS LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

EAC Police Department – Thatcher Campus

The Eastern Arizona College Police Department (EAC PD) is staffed by two full-time and one part-time, fully certified law enforcement officers, and ten part-time security officers. EAC PD provides safety and security services 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

EAC police officers are certified peace officers under Arizona State law (A.R.S. §13-3871), are authorized to carry firearms, and have the authority to use police powers of arrest. EAC police officers have the authority to issue citations, make arrests, conduct criminal investigations, and are responsible for the enforcement of the College's rules and regulations.

EAC security officers do not possess arrest power. They do, however, have the authority to ask persons for identification, determine whether individuals have lawful business on campus, detain individuals for investigative purposes, and are responsible for the enforcement of the College's rules and regulations. Security officers work in cooperation with campus police officers and local law enforcement agencies.

EAC PD works closely with surrounding law enforcement agencies including Graham County Sherriff's Office, Greenlee County Sheriff's Office, Thatcher Police Department, Pima Police Department, Clifton Police Department, and Safford Police Department.

Local law enforcement police officers or Sheriff's Department officers may be called on campus: a) if and when a person needing help has been unable to contact EAC PD or EAC PD is unable to respond to a call and b) at the request of EAC PD when additional assistance is needed.

The EAC Police Department Office is located at:	Campus Police/Security can be reached at:
620 N. College Avenue Thatcher, AZ 85552	(928) 428-8240 or (928) 428-8241 (daytime) (928) 965-8240 (after hours) (928) 428-0808 (Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch) In an emergency, dial 911

Gila Pueblo Campus Security

Gila Pueblo Campus Security is staffed by two part-time security officers. Security officers do not possess arrest power. They do, however, have the authority to ask persons for identification, determine whether individuals have lawful business on campus, detain individuals for the investigative purposes, and are responsible for enforcement of the College's rules and regulations. They work in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies. Criminal incidents and incidents occurring after regular business hours are referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency which has geographic jurisdiction.

Campus security works closely with surrounding law enforcement agencies including Gila County Sheriff's Office and Globe Police Department.

Gila Pueblo Campus Security Office is located at:	Gila Pueblo Campus Security can be reached at:
8274 Six Shooter Canyon Road	(928) 425-8481
Globe, AZ 85501	In an emergency, dial 911
	After hours (701) 200-8552 or (928) 200-5012

Payson Campus Security

Payson Campus Security is staffed by two part-time security officers. Security officers do not possess arrest power. They do, however, have the authority to ask persons for identification, determine whether individuals have lawful business on campus, can detain individuals for the investigative purposes, and are responsible for enforcement of the College's rules and regulations. They work in cooperation with local law enforcement agencies. Criminal incidents and incidents occurring after regular business hours are referred to the appropriate law enforcement agency which has geographic jurisdiction.

Campus security works closely with surrounding law enforcement agencies including Gila County Sheriff's Office and Town of Payson Police Department.

Payson Campus Security Office is located at:	Payson Campus Security can be reached at:
201 N. Mud Springs Rd.	(928) 468-8039
Payson, AZ 85541	In an emergency, dial 911

DAILY CRIME LOG

A daily crime log, listing all criminal and alleged criminal incidents reported to campus police or campus security, is maintained at each of the three campuses. The log contains the date and time the incident occurred, the date and time the incident was reported, nature of the incident, incident report number,

general location of the incident, and the disposition of the incident. A log is available on-site, during normal business hours, at each of the campuses: EAC Police Department, located at 620 N. College Avenue, Thatcher, AZ (Thatcher Campus); Gila Pueblo Campus Administration Office, located at 8274 Six Shooter Canyon Road, Globe, AZ (Gila Pueblo Campus); and Payson Campus Administration Office, located at 201 N. Mud Springs Rd., Payson, AZ (Payson Campus).

Note: In order to protect an ongoing criminal investigation or the identity of a victim, Campus Police/Security may classify criminal incident or alleged criminal incident information as confidential and prohibit its release.

REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement to its campus community where law enforcement agency information regarding registered sex offenders in the state may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to register in a state to provide notice, as required under state law, of each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is enrolled as a student, carries on a vocation, or is employed.

A.R.S. §13-3825 Community Notification requires community notification of Level 2 or 3 sex offenders residing in the area. This includes notification to the surrounding neighborhood, area schools, appropriate community groups, and prospective employers. Information on the identity and residential address of all levels of registered sex offenders is available at the Arizona Department of Public Safety's website at https://www.azdps.gov/services/public/offender.



Note: AZ DPS Sex Offender Registry is powered by a third-party website – Offender Watch.

EAC PD, Gila Pueblo Security, Payson Campus Security will coordinate with the local law enforcement agency to receive registered sex offender community notification flyers. Campus police/security will notify the campus community of students, employees, and volunteers who have been identified as Level 2 and Level 3 registered sex offenders when they have been apprised of the information.

EA PD will place Level 2 and Level 3 Sex Offender notifications on its website as part of the compliance with the above requirement when it is determined that a Level 2 or Level 3 sex offender is a student or employee of the College. To find this information, visit EAC's "Campus Safety" webpage by clicking on the following link: https://eac.edu/campus-safety/.

SECURITY AND ACCESS TO CAMPUS FACILITIES

Eastern Arizona College campuses are open to faculty, staff, students, and the public. Administrative buildings are open during normal business hours while other facilities on the campuses have individual hours of operation. Entrance to these buildings is controlled by key access with varied levels of access. Employees are responsible for ensuring that all classroom facilities remain locked when not in use, and only those persons authorized to attend classes or to utilize EAC facilities (i.e., students, faculty, staff, and those authorized through an approved facility request form to utilize specific facilities) have access to them. Employees entering locked/armed buildings after hours are encouraged to leave a business card or note for identification purposes at the alarm console and vice versa upon exit. Employees are instructed not to share alarm (security) codes or keys and to immediately report lost or stolen keys.

Security cameras are located throughout the Thatcher campus, and Discovery Park which are monitored by the EAC PD. Campus police/security at all three campuses patrol the facilities and grounds.

The Director of Residence Life, Residence Life Administrator, EAC PD, and residence hall residents are responsible for the security of residents and residence halls on EAC's Thatcher campus. All residence halls have full-time staff to assist residents with safety and security concerns. Additionally, EAC PD regularly patrols campus housing. All residents are notified of the Residence Life Handbook, which outlines safety and security considerations while living in campus housing. Residents are encouraged to keep their individual rooms locked at all times. Entry doors, wing doors, community, and laundry room doors are to be kept locked. A room key is required to access these entry points. Those found to have violated resident life policy by propping open any of these doors, are subject to disciplinary action and a fine.

SECURITY AND MAINTENANCE OF CAMPUS FACILITIES

The Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department maintains and regularly inspects the buildings and grounds with a careful eye on safety and security. They also respond to reports of potential safety and security hazards (i.e., broken windows, locks, etc.) making prompt repairs. Campus Police/Security regularly patrols the campus and reports any hazardous conditions to the Physical Resources Department (i.e., malfunctioning doors, lights, etc.) which falls under their purview.

Students and employees are encouraged to report any maintenance-related, safety and security or potential safety and security hazards to:

Thatcher Campus

During Regular Business Hours	
Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department	(928) 428-8300 (Closes at 3:00 p.m.)
Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
After Hours	
Campus Police Department	(928) 965-8240 (After hours #)
Alternative Method to Contact Campus Police Department - Anytime	
Graham County Sheriff's Office Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

Gila Pueblo Campus

Gila Pueblo Campus Administration Office/.....(928) 425-8481 Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department

Payson Campus

Payson Campus Administration Office/.....(928) 468-8039 Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department

EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDELINES

The personal safety and well-being of our students, faculty and staff is always an important concern of ours. However, a truly safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of all students, faculty, and staff. We encourage you to be an active participant in your safety and the safety of other members of our campus community. Anyone at any campus location who becomes aware of a crime (or is the victim of a crime) or any emergency should make an accurate and prompt report of the occurrence to Campus Police/Security or appropriate campus staff.

Emergency/Non-Emergency Contact Information

Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to become familiar with these numbers:

Thatcher Campus			
In an emergency: DIAL 911			
Emergency Numbers			
Bomb Threat/Bomb Removal	911		
Emergency Medical Services	911		
Fire Department	911		
Police Department	911		
EAC Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/		
EAC Campus Police Department (After Hours #)	(928) 428-8241 (928) 965-8240		
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch (Alternative Method to Contact Campus PD)	(928) 428-0808		
3E Company (HazMat/SDS)	(800) 451-8346		
AzCH Nurse Assist (Behavioral Health – Crisis Services Line)	(866) 495-6735		
Non-Emergency Numbers			
Animal Control (GCS Dispatch)	(928) 428-0808		
AZ DPS (Safford Substation)	(928) 428-2505		
Communications Center (Tucson)	(520) 746-4500		
Emergency Operations Center	(928) 428-7382		
Graham County Attorney	(928) 428-3620		
Graham County Health Dept.	(928) 428-1962		
Graham County Highway Dept.	(928) 428-3652		
Graham County Sheriff's Office	(928) 428-3141		
Mt. Graham Regional Medical Ctr. Mt. Graham Safe House	(928) 348-4177 (928) 348-9104		
Thatcher Fire Department	(928) 428-2290		
Thatcher Police Department	(928) 428-2296		
Town of Thatcher (Utilities)	(928) 428-2290		

Gila Pueblo and Payson Campuses			
In an emergency: DIAL 911			
Emergency Numbers			
Bomb Threat/Bomb Removal	911		
Emergency Medical Services	911		
Fire Department	911		
Hazardous Materials Response	911		
Police Department	911		
Campus Security (Globe) Campus Security (Payson)	(928) 425-8481 (928) 468-8039		
Health Choice Integrated Care (Behavioral Health – Crisis Services Line)	(877) 756-4090		
Non-Emergency Numbers			
<u>Globe</u>			
Animal Control	(928) 425-8882		
AZ DPS (Globe/Miami Substation)	(928) 473-3610		
City of Globe (Utilities)	(928) 425-4451		
Cobra Valley Regional Medical Ctr.	(928) 425-3261		
Gila County Attorney	(928) 402-8630		
Gila County Public Health Dept.	(928) 402-8811		
Gila County Sheriff's Office	(928) 425-4449		
Globe Fire Department	(928) 425-4432		
Globe Police Department	(928) 425-5751		
Tri-City Fire District	(928) 473-2362		
<u>Payson</u>			
Animal Control	(928) 474-5177		
Banner Payson Medical Center	(928) 474-3222		
Gila County Attorney	(928) 474-4068		
Gila County Public Health Dept.	(928) 474-1210		
Gila County Sheriff's Office	(928) 474-2208		

All Campuses		Payson Fire Department/EMS	(928) 472-5120
National Domestic Violence Hotline National Sexual Assault Hotline Poison Control Center SO AZ Center Against Sexual Assault 24/7 Sexual Assault Crisis Line	(800) 799-7233 (800) 656-4673 (800) 222-1222 (800) 400-1001	Payson Police Department Payson Public Works (Utilities)	(928) 474-5177 (928) 472-5041
Suicide Prevention Lifeline (Call, Chat and Text)	988		

Emergency Procedures

Thatcher Campus

Eastern Arizona College has established a Crisis Management Team to guide response to campus crises that pose a threat to health, life, and property. The standing Crisis Management Team includes individuals from the areas of student affairs, facilities planning and management, public safety, marketing and public relations, risk management, information technology, and faculty. In the event of a crisis, this standing team would be expanded to include other members of the College community as appropriate based on the nature of the crisis.

In accordance with the College's Crisis Management Protocol, the team is responsible for gathering and reviewing details of the crisis, determining crisis management and response activities, specifying communication procedures with internal and external audiences, and briefing senior staff. In a crisis, the College president has the ultimate decision-making authority. The vice presidents will act in the president's absence.

The Crisis Management Team is also responsible for providing education regarding crisis management to the campus community and for establishing positive working relationships with community law enforcement and emergency management personnel.

A. Purpose:

The basic emergency procedures are to enhance the protection of lives and property through effective use of College and campus community resources. Whenever an emergency or unusual occurrence affecting the campus reaches proportions that cannot be handled by routine measures, the President or designee may declare a state of emergency, and these contingency guidelines may be implemented.

There are two general types of emergencies that may result in the implementation of this plan. These are:

- 1. large-scale disorder, and
- 2. large-scale natural/ man-made disaster

Since an emergency may be sudden and without warning, these procedures are designed to be flexible in order to accommodate contingencies of various types and magnitudes.

B. Scope:

These procedures apply to all College personnel, buildings, and grounds, to include adjoining peripheral areas.

C. Types of Emergencies and/or Unusual Occurrences:

Active shooter and hostage situation

- Bomb threats and suspicious packages/object; explosions
- Demonstration and disturbance or student unrest
- Earthquake, severe dust storm, tornado/severe thunderstorm
- Fire
- Flooding
- Gas leaks and hazardous material spill
- Medical emergency
- Power outages
- Violence on campus/in the workplace

D. **Definitions**:

Emergency - an incident, potential or actual, which affects an entire building, buildings, or campus site, and/or disrupts the overall operations of the College. Outside emergency services will probably be required, as well as major efforts from campus support services. Major policy considerations and decisions will usually be required from the College administration during times of crises. These types of emergencies should be immediately reported to Campus Police and the Graham County Sheriff's Office dispatch.

Disaster - any natural or man-made event that has taken place and has seriously impaired or halted the operations of the College. In some cases, mass personnel casualties and severe property damage may be sustained. A coordinated effort of all campus-wide resources is required to effectively control the situation. Outside emergency services will be essential. In all cases of disaster, Emergency Command Post will be activated, and the appropriate support and operational plans will be executed.

Unusual Occurrence - any incident or minor natural disaster, (i.e., flood, wind damage, water leak, etc.), actual or potential, which will not seriously affect the overall functional capacity of the College. Report this type of incident to the Physical Resources Department or Campus Police immediately.

Any incident that has the potential for adverse publicity concerning Eastern Arizona College should be promptly reported to the Administration and/or Campus Police.

E. Assumptions:

The College Emergency Response Plan is based on a realistic approach to the problems likely to be encountered on campus during an emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence. Hence, the following are general guidelines:

- An emergency, disaster or unusual occurrence may occur at any time of the day or night, weekend, or holiday, with little or no warning.
- The succession of events in an emergency, disaster or unusual occurrence are not predictable, hence, published support and operational plans will serve only as a guide and checklist, and may require field modifications in order to meet the requirements of the event.

- Disasters may affect residents in the geographical area of Eastern Arizona College; therefore, city, county and federal emergency services may not be readily available. A delay in off-campus emergency services may be possible.
- An emergency may be declared if information indicates that such conditions are developing or are probable.
- F. **Declaration of Campus State of Emergency:** The authority to declare a "Campus State of Emergency" rests with the President or the Vice President of Administration/CBO, or in their absence, a designee, as follows:
 - During the period of any major campus emergency, the on-duty police/security officer, shall place into immediate effect the appropriate procedures necessary in order to meet the emergency, safeguard persons and property, and maintain facilities. The on-duty police/security officer shall immediately consult with the President, Vice President of Administration/CBO or designee regarding the emergency and the possible need for a declaration of a "Campus State of Emergency."
 - When this declaration is made, only those persons as emergency response team members will be allowed in the immediate area of the emergency or disaster site.
 Campus Emergency Command Post.

When a major emergency occurs, or is imminent, it shall be the responsibility of the Emergency Response Team to establish an Emergency Command Post. The Campus Police Office near the Memorial Bell Tower on College Avenue shall be kept operational at all times. A secondary Emergency Command Post may be designated, if necessary. If the Campus Police Office is not available due to acting on the emergency, the Thatcher Police Department at Thatcher Town Hall may be used as an Emergency Command Post. A conference room on campus may be designated for emergency crews to stage and for use by the College Public Information Officer and local media crews.

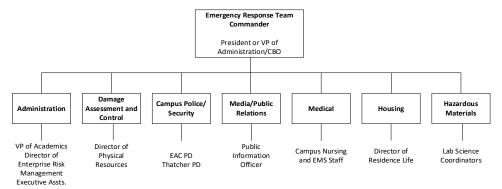
Emergency command post equipment includes, but is not limited to:

- Cellular telephones
- Portable, hand-held radios
- Barrier tape and traffic cones
- First-aid kit
- Copy of Emergency Response Guidelines
- College emergency contact list and emergency services numbers
- Campus telephone directory and local telephone directory
- Flashlights

Campus Emergency Response Team

In addition to establishing an Emergency Command Post as necessary, the police or security officer

on shift shall immediately begin contacting all necessary members of the Campus Emergency Response Team that are available and may be needed for the specific emergency or incident. The team may consist of, but is not limited to, the following personnel:



The Team Commander is to designate substitutes for each necessary post with the resources available at the time. The Emergency Response Team members are to keep in constant communication with the Emergency Command Post. General responsibilities of the Team Members are as follows:

Team Commander: Eastern Arizona College President or Vice President of Administration/CBO or designee

- 1. Notifies, coordinates, and directs the College Emergency Response Team.
- 2. Works with the on-duty police/security officer and others in assessing the emergency and preparing the College's response.
- 3. Determines the type and magnitude of the emergency and establishes an appropriate Emergency Command Post.
- 4. Notifies and conducts liaison activities with the College administration, governmental agencies, Emergency Response Team, and others, as necessary.
- 5. Begins assessment of the College's condition and extent of emergency.
- 6. Notifies and uses the assistance of law enforcement agencies, Campus Police, College employees and if necessary, students, in order to maintain campus safety and order.
- 7. Ensures appropriate notification is made to off-campus staff when necessary.
- 8. Declares an end, when appropriate, to the "campus state of emergency."
- 9. Performs other related duties, as dictated by the type of emergency.
- 10. Directs the preparation of a report, evaluating the final outcome of the emergency.

Physical Plant Services: Director of Physical Resources or designee.

- 1. Provides equipment and personnel to perform shutdown procedures, hazardous area control, barricades, damage assessment, debris clearance, emergency repairs and equipment protection.
- 2. Provides vehicles, equipment, and operators for movement of personnel and supplies; assigns vehicles as required to the Emergency Response Team for emergency use.
- 3. Obtains the assistance of utility companies as required for emergency operation.
- 4. Furnishes emergency power and lighting systems as required.

- 5. Surveys habitable space and relocates essential services and functions.
- 6. Provides facilities for emergency generator fuel during actual emergencies.
- 7. Provides for storage of vital records at an alternate site, coordinates with building and area coordinators for liaison and necessary support.
- 8. Provides support to the Emergency Response Team as requested.

Campus Police/Security:

- 1. Maintains the Campus Police office in a state of constant readiness.
- 2. Activates the Emergency Response Team by proper notification.
- 3. Monitors Campus emergency warnings and evacuations.
- 4. Obtains assistance from city, county, state, and federal government agencies when necessary.
- 5. Provides traffic control, access control, perimeter and internal security and fire prevention services, as needed.
- 6. Maintains personnel in the Command Post for telephone and radio traffic.

Media/Public Information: Public Information Officer.

- 1. Establishes liaison with the news media for dissemination of information as requested by the President or Vice President of Administration/CBO or designee.
- 2. Establishes liaison with local radio and/or television services for public announcements.
- 3. Arranges for photographic and audio-visual services of the event.
- 4. Advises the President or designee of all news concerning the extent of the event affecting the campus.
- 5. Prepares news releases for approval and release to the media concerning the event.

Medical: Campus Emergency Medical Services Staff (EAC Nursing staff may also be called upon to assist in an emergency situation, but only if resources are needed and requested by local hospitals or other emergency staff.) EAC EMS Staff may be first to respond to incidents on the Thatcher Campus along with Campus Police.

- 1. Designates and commands a medical triage/treatment area for related injury or ill victims.
- 2. Provides emergency care for sick and injured.
- 3. Provides technical and safety assistance during emergency or disaster conditions.
- 4. Evaluates Campus hazards to environmental health and industrial safety during and after the event.
- 5. Prepares and submits a report to the President regarding injuries and/or illnesses associated with the event.

Housing: Director of Housing.

- 1. Activates evacuation of residence halls when deemed necessary.
- 2. Notifies residence hall students of emergency procedures.

- 3. Monitors residence halls' evacuation.
- 4. Assists with and facilitates inspections of residence halls.
- 5. Maintains a headcount of the residents.

Hazardous Materials: Lab Science Coordinators.

- 1. Determines if a hazardous material spill is serious enough to notify local fire department, and if so.
- 2. Activates evacuation of the building/lab to a safe location.
- 3. Calls fire department and reports details of the spill to proper emergency personnel.
- 4. Provides technical and safety assistance.

An Emergency Response debriefing will follow immediately after the declaration of the end of the State of Emergency. Emergency Response Team members will prepare and submit to the President, a report evaluating the emergency.

Faculty/Leadership Responsibilities

Administrators, Deans, and Directors: Every administrator, dean, director, or designee is a Building/Facility Coordinator for every activity under their control and has the following general responsibilities prior to and during any emergency.

- a. Emergency Preparedness
 - i. Allow employees time for training in emergency techniques (i.e., Leadershops, online training, etc.).
 - ii. Designate, in advance, a safe staging area where students and/or staff in their area will go in case of an emergency. This may require a primary and secondary area.
- b. Emergency Situations
 - i. Inform all employees under their direction of the existing emergency.
 - ii. Evaluate the impact that the emergency has on their activity and take appropriate action. This may include ceasing operations and initiating an evacuation of a building.
 - iii. Maintain emergency telephone communication with officials from their location or from an alternate location, if necessary.

Faculty and Supervisors: Each faculty and staff supervisor have the responsibility to:

- a. Educate their students and/or employees concerning College emergency procedures as well as evacuation procedures for their building and/or activity.
- b. Inform their students and/or staff of an emergency and initiate emergency procedures as outlined in this guide.
- c. Designate, in advance, a safe staging area where students and/or staff will go in case of an emergency. This may require a primary area and a secondary area more distant from their classroom or work area.
- d. Evaluate, survey, and estimate their assigned building facility or activity in order to determine the impact a fire, earthquake or other disaster could have on their facility.

Report all safety hazards to Campus Police and Physical Plant Services. Notify Physical Plant Services, in writing, of any concerns that could cause potential accidents or be hazardous to those using the facility.

e. IMPORTANT: Inform all students, staff, and faculty to conform to building evacuation guidelines during any emergency and to report to the predetermined staging or gathering area where a head count can be taken.

Communication in an Emergency

Eastern Arizona College will, without delay, and taking into account the safety and the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgement of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

In the event of a campus emergency, call 911. The Graham County Sheriff's department dispatch center will inform both Campus Police, EMS staff, and EAC Administration in the event of an emergency. Campus Police/Security will respond to the emergency, and depending on the event, EAC EMS Staff may also respond.

An emergency warranting use of the Campus Emergency Alert System (Omnilert®) will be initiated by the Campus Police Department, the President, the Vice President of Administration/CBO, or the Director of Risk Management.

Campus emergencies that would qualify for activation of the Campus Emergency Alert/Omnilert® System:

- 1. Active shooters
- 2. Dangerous weapons on campus
- 3. Bomb threats
- 4. Hazardous chemical spills
- 5. Dangerous suspects at large
- 6. Campus fires
- 7. Others as determined by the Administration and Campus Police

In case of an emergency on campus, the Emergency Alert Text/Email system will be activated. The College may post information to its website, Facebook, or Twitter feed. Please visit these sites for updates and information.

EAC website: www.eac.edu

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/gilamonsters

Twitter: https://twitter.com/eacmonsters

When the alert system is activated:

- 1. Follow the directions provided through the Emergency Alert Text/Email system and any other instructions received from authorities (i.e., police, fire personnel, etc.).
- 2. If able to do so, assist others around you and move to a safe location.
- 3. Stay tuned for further information using the systems mentioned above.

4. Once the emergency is over, a campus official will announce an "all clear" through text, email, or other means.

Note: Weather notifications have a very short timeframe, and severe storms are often difficult to predict precisely. As a result, the EAC emergency notification system may also be used to alert the campus about severe weather watches, warnings, or tornadoes, but the College will also rely on the most effective methods of notification for severe weather: local weather alerts via radio or TV and the National Weather Service.

Inquiries about an emergency situation:

Direct requests from the media to EAC Marketing and Public Relations Director: (928) 428-8320. EAC's District Office and Marketing and Public Relations Office are the only campus offices authorized to disseminate official information about campus emergencies to the campus community.

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A. Purpose:

The basic emergency procedures are to enhance the protection of lives and property through effective use of College and campus community resources. Whenever an emergency or unusual occurrence affecting the campus reaches proportions that cannot be handled by routine measures, the President or designee may declare a state of emergency, and these contingency guidelines may be implemented.

There are two general types of emergencies that may result in the implementation of this plan. These are:

- 1. large-scale disorder, and
- large-scale natural/ man-made disaster.

Since an emergency may be sudden and without warning, these procedures are designed to be flexible in order to accommodate contingencies of various types and magnitudes.

B. Scope

These procedures apply to all College personnel, buildings, and grounds to include those peripheral areas adjoining the College.

C. Types of emergencies and/or unusual occurrences

- Medical emergencies
- Fires
- Hazardous materials incidents
- Bomb threats and suspicious packages
- Explosions
- Earthquakes and tornadoes
- Civil disturbance and demonstrations
- Incidents of violent or criminal behavior (including shooting incidents)
- Power outages
- Flooding or water leaks

D. **Definitions**

The following definitions of an emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence are provided as guidelines to assist building and area coordinators in determining the appropriate response:

Emergency: An incident, potential or actual, which affects an entire building, or the campus in general, which disrupts the overall operations of the College. External emergency service response will be required, as well as major efforts from campus support services. Major policy considerations and decisions will probably be required from the College administration during times of crises. These types of emergencies should be immediately reported to the campus office, and to the Payson Police/Fire/9-1-1 Dispatch Center by dialing 9-1-1.

Disaster: Any natural or man-made event that has taken place and has seriously impaired or halted the operations of the College. In some cases, mass personnel casualties and severe property damage may be sustained. A coordinated effort of all campus resources is required to effectively control the situation. Outside emergency services will be essential.

Unusual Occurrence: Any incident or minor natural disaster, (i.e., flood, wind damage, water leak, etc.), actual or potential, which will not seriously affect the overall functional capacity of the College. Report this type of incident to the campus office immediately.

Any incident that has the potential for adverse publicity concerning the College should be promptly reported to the campus office, who in turn will immediately notify the Senior Dean.

E. Assumptions:

This Emergency Plan is predicated on a realistic approach to the problem likely to be encountered on campus during an emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence. Hence, the following are general guidelines:

An emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence may occur at any time of the day or night, weekend, or holiday, with little or no warning.

The succession of events in an emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence is not predictable. Hence, published support and operational plans will serve only as a guide and checklist, and may require field modifications in order to meet the requirements of the event.

Disasters may affect residents in the geographical area of the College. Therefore, City, County, State, and/or Federal emergency services may not be readily available. A delay in the response of off-campus emergency services may be possible.

An emergency may also be declared if information indicates that such conditions are developing or are probable.

F. Declaration of campus state of emergency

The Senior Dean, or the Senior Dean's designee, serves as the Emergency Response Liaison to local authorities during any major emergency, disaster, or unusual occurrence. In the Senior Dean's absence, the Senior Dean's designee has the authority to declare a "Campus State of Emergency." When this declaration is made, only the essential campus staff members should be allowed in the immediate area of the emergency or disaster site, and they should only function within the limits of their individual training and abilities.

In most emergency situations, Police and/or Fire officials will be in charge and will operate under the Incident Command System (ICS). An Incident Command Post (ICP) will be established, and the senior representatives of the various responding agencies will operate from that location. In order to help the operation run as smoothly as possible, it is desirable that the Senior Dean or some

member of the senior campus staff remain with the Incident Command group, at the ICP, both to act as an information source and to serve as a liaison between responders and campus staff.

Under normal conditions, Police and Fire Department responders will arrive promptly to handle the emergency, but it is understood that in a wide-scale incident, such as an earthquake, the normal emergency responders may not be available due to numerous other emergencies, and that college staff may have to function on their own for an extended length of time.

During any major incident, it will take some time to assemble all of the resources needed, and to resolve the situation. Sometimes it may seem that things are "taking too long," and there will be a tendency for people to return to their normal activities before the official "All Clear" is given. All campus staff should understand this and should make sure that all directions and instructions from the ICP are followed.

Faculty/Staff/Leadership Responsibilities:

Administrators and Supervisors:

Every administrator or supervisor has the following general responsibilities prior to and during any emergency:

a. Emergency Preparedness

- i. Building evacuation information shall be distributed to all employees. Follow-up discussions, on-the-job training, or explanation will be given as required.
- ii. Time shall be allowed for training employees in emergency techniques such as fire extinguisher usage, first aid, CPR, and building evacuation.
- iii. Evaluate, survey, and estimate all campus buildings, facilities, or activities in order to determine the impact of a fire, earthquake, or other disaster. Report all safety hazards to the campus office. Notify the campus office, in writing, of any concerns that could cause potential accidents or be hazardous to those using the facility.

b. Emergency Situations

- i. Inform all employees under their direction of the existing emergency.
- ii. Evaluate the impact that the emergency has on their areas and take appropriate action. This may include ceasing operations and initiating the evacuation of a building.
- iii. Maintain communication with officials from their location or from an alternate location if necessary.

Faculty and Staff:

Each faculty and staff member has the responsibility to:

- a. Educate their students and/or employees concerning College emergency procedures as well as evacuation procedures for their building and/or activity.
- b. Inform their students and/or staff of an emergency and initiate emergency procedures as outlined in this guide.
- c. Designate, in advance, a safe staging area where students and/or staff will go in case of an emergency. This may require a primary area and a secondary area more distant from their classroom or work area.
- d. Inform all students, staff, and faculty to conform to building evacuation guidelines during any emergency and to report to the predetermined staging or gathering area, where a head count

can be taken to ensure that all students and staff who were present at the time of the incident are accounted for.

An Emergency Response debriefing will follow immediately after the declaration of the end of the State of Emergency. Administrators and staff will prepare a detailed report describing the events and evaluating the response to the emergency. This report will be submitted to the Senior Dean.

Emergency Preparedness/Response

EAC Campus Police created an emergency response booklet which can be found in Knowledgebase in Beacon at https://beacon.eac.edu:1443/KnowledgeBase/KBArticles/Details/880. The booklet was designed to provide a basic contingency manual for Eastern Arizona College (Thatcher Campus) administrators, faculty, and staff members to plan for campus emergencies and unusual occurrences should they occur. While it does not cover every conceivable situation, it does supply the basic administrative guidelines necessary to cope with most emergencies and other occurrences. Gila Pueblo and Payson Campuses booklet titled "Emergency Plan" is located in all classrooms and administration offices. Below are the emergency guidelines provided within each booklet to help prepare students, faculty, and staff when having to respond to an emergency or unusual occurrence:

Active Shooter

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If you become aware of an active shooter on campus:

- 1. Get away from the situation as quickly as possible (Run)
- 2. If you cannot get away, take cover to protect yourself. Secure doors, turn off lights, and stay quiet, low, and out of sight. (Hide)
- 3. Dial 911; or

Campus Police Department	.(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

4. If unable to Run, or if your Hide situation becomes dangerous, prepare to fight with any available means. (Fight).

If a threat to human safety occurs on campus:

- 1. The College's Emergency Notification System will be activated with text/email alert messages.
- 2. Information-including safety instructions for students, faculty, and staff will also be made on the College's website and social media accounts such as Facebook, Twitter, etc.

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If you become aware of an active shooter on campus:

- 1. Get away from the situation as quickly as possible (Run)
- 2. If you cannot get away, take cover to protect yourself. Secure doors, turn off lights, and stay quiet, low, and out of sight. (Hide)
- 3. Dial 911; or

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Campus Security/
Gila Pueblo Campus Administration Office(928) 425-8481

Payson Campus

Campus Security/
Payson Campus Administration Office......(928) 468-8039

4. If unable to Run, or if your Hide situation becomes dangerous, prepare to fight with any available means. (Fight).

Bomb Threat

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Bomb threats are managed on a case-by-case basis, based on the characteristics of the situation. Anonymous bomb calls sometimes lead to threats other than bombs. There are cases where such calls were a device to lead evacuees to real danger: a bomb in a meet-up location or an active shooter.

The decision to evacuate or secure in place is determined based on where individuals will be safest. A threat is not assumed to be inside the building. Evacuation is not always the safest response to a bomb threat. Do not attempt to evacuate the building without the authorization or assistance of emergency personnel. Current emergency management guidelines caution against automatic evacuation. In most cases, people are likely to be more secure in their offices, classrooms, or other building facilities than in hallways that have not been searched or outdoors where an actual threat may be even more likely to exist.

If you receive a telephone bomb threat:

- 1. Listen carefully.
 - Be polite and show interest.
 - Try to keep the caller talking so that you can gather more information about the device, the validity of the threat, or the identity of the caller.
 - Listen carefully for background noises.
- 2. Note the phone number of the caller if your telephone has a display. You can display the number of the caller on many EAC phones by pressing "Call Log."
- 3. Gather as much information as possible.
 - If possible, use the Bomb Threat Information Checklist, available in the <u>emergency</u> <u>response booklet</u>, to question the caller in a polite and nonthreatening manner.
- 4. Upon completion of the call:

Dial 911; or

Campus Police Department	.(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

- 5. Then complete the Bomb Threat Information Checklist while the call is still fresh in your memory.
- 6. Remain available to answer questions.

7. If the threat was received by another individual and he/she is relaying information to you, use the Bomb Threat Information Checklist to gather as much information as possible.

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Few bomb threats actually involve any type of real explosive device, but all must be taken seriously. Most people who call in bomb threats do so to get attention, or because they are upset with the school for some reason. (A bomber who really wants to cause havoc will detonate the bomb, not call, and report it.) Bomb threats will normally be by telephone.

When such a threat call is received:

- 1. Try to find out:
 - a. Where is the bomb located?
 - b. What does it look like?
 - c. When will it go off?
 - d. Why was it placed here?
 - e. Any additional information that can be obtained
 - time of call
 - age and sex of caller
 - speech pattern/accent
 - nationality
 - emotional state
 - any background noise
 - any other information.
 - WRITE THIS INFORMATION DOWN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE and only share this information with the Sheriff or campus personnel.
- 2. Dial 9-1-1
- 3. Evacuate the area if the location of the bomb is identified.
- 4. Activate the campus fire alarm to clear the campus.
- 5. Notify instructors that the incident is a bomb threat, not a fire, and that students should be moved completely off campus, away from parked cars (think car bomb), and kept together as a group for accountability.
 - Police/Sheriff's officer(s) will evacuate additional areas, as necessary.
 - Police/Sheriff's officer(s) will ask staff to check the campus, one area at a time, to see if
 there is anything unusual that could be an explosive device. The only people who will
 really know if there is anything that looks out of place, or shouldn't be there, are the
 people who work in an area every day.
- 6. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrants, and sidewalks kept clear for emergency vehicles.
- 7. Do not return to the evacuated area until Police/Sheriff's Office Commander(s) give an "All Clear."

Note: Police/Sheriff and fire personnel have standard plans for dealing with bomb threats; however, a bomb can be in any shape, size, or container. The only people who will really know if there is anything that looks out of place, or shouldn't be there, are the people who work in an area every day. Police/Sheriff's officers will ask staff to check the campus, one area at a time, to see if there is anything unusual that could be an explosive device. Fire units will usually not even approach the area but will stand by some distance away. Their job is to handle the situation if there is actually a bomb and it explodes, not get involved and be taken out by any initial explosion. If anything is found, refer to it as a "possible device." Never use the word "bomb." In any bomb threat situation, the Police/Sheriff's Office is in charge, and the incident is not over until Police/Sheriff Commanders give an "All Clear."

FLU AND COVID-19

All Campuses

Eastern Arizona College follows CDC guidelines and all state and local health department guidelines. Please visit https://eac.edu/currentstudents/activities-campus/flu.php to find the most current information for our students, faculty, and staff.

Demonstration/Disturbance

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As an institution of higher education, the College is dedicated to the principle that a free exchange of ideas is fundamental to the pursuit and dissemination of knowledge. To that end, the College is committed to protecting every member of the College Community's right to speak, write, listen to, explore, and debate competing ideas.

The freedom to express ideas does not mean members of the College Community may exercise that freedom in ways that are incompatible with Ordinary College Operations or the rights of other members of the College Community, including their right to a full and equal opportunity to pursue their education, to a College environment free from impermissible or Prohibited Discrimination and Harassment, to access the resources available at the College, and to express their own opinions and beliefs. The College may restrict Public Expression that violates state, federal, or local law; defames a specific person; or constitutes a Breach of the Peace, Commercial Speech, Fighting Words, Gratuitous Violence, Harassment, a Heckler's Veto, Obscenity, Prohibited Discrimination, or a True Threat; or otherwise disrupts Ordinary College Operations, College Sponsored Activities, or College Authorized Activities.

The College expressly prohibits any conduct that adversely affects or directly threatens to adversely affect the health or safety of members of the College Community or their opportunity to enjoy College programs and College Sponsored Activities, or materially disrupts Ordinary College Operations.

If you have a question about whether a demonstration is unlawful, call:

Campus Police Department	.(928)	428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs	.(928)	428-8261
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928)	965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	. (928)	428-0808

If a disturbance appears to threaten the safety of faculty, staff, or students:

1. Dial 911; or

Campus Police Department	.(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

- 2. Lock doors when possible and appropriate to isolate the disturbance.
- 3. Take steps to protect your own safety and the safety of others.
- 4. Leave the area and encourage others to leave the area. Do not engage or otherwise become a participant.

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Most campus demonstrations such as marches, picketing, or rallies will be peaceful and non-obstructive. A student demonstration should not be disrupted unless one or more of the following conditions exists as a result of the demonstration:

Interference with the normal/peaceful operation of the College.

Prevention of access to offices, buildings, or other College facilities.

Threat of physical harm to persons or damage to College facilities.

If any of these conditions exist, the College office should be immediately notified.

Peaceful non-obstructive demonstration:

These demonstrations should not be obstructed by College personnel. If the demonstrators are asked to leave but refuse to leave by regular facility closing time, the demonstration will be considered non-violent, but disruptive, and appropriate measures will be taken.

Disruptive non-violent demonstrations:

In the event these demonstrations block access to College facilities or interfere with the operation of the college, demonstrators will be asked to terminate the disruptive activity by the Campus Dean or designee. If the demonstrators persist in the disruptive activity, they will be informed that failure to discontinue the specified activity within a given time frame may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion or possible intervention by civil authorities.

The following statements (statement "A" and statement "B") may be used when addressing the demonstrators.

Statement "A" (Identify yourself and your position) "This assembly and the conduct of each participant is disrupting the operations of Gila Pueblo Campus/Payson Campus and is in clear violation of the rules of this College. You have previously been called upon to disperse and terminate this demonstration. If you do not terminate and disperse within 15 minutes, I will, under authority of the Governing Board, take whatever measures are deemed necessary to restore order, including calling for Police assistance. Any student who continues to participate in this demonstration is subject to possible arrest and will also be subject to suspension."

Statement "B" (Identify yourself and your position) "You have previously been directed to terminate this demonstration and you have been put on notice as to the consequence of your failure to do so. Since you have chosen to remain in violation of the rules and regulations of Gila Pueblo Campus/Payson Campus, each of you are hereby suspended and subject to later review. The Police will now be called to assist in dispersing this assembly. Those who fail to leave will be subject to arrest."

When police arrive, the ranking Police supervisor will declare: "This is an unlawful assembly, anyone not leaving immediately will be arrested." After a few minutes (5-10 minutes) officers may lawfully arrest those unlawfully remaining.

Violent, disruptive demonstrations:

In the event that a violent demonstration in which injury to persons or property damage occurs or appears imminent, the Senior Dean must be notified. Police and other local law enforcement should be contacted by calling 9-1-1. The situation will then fall under Police jurisdiction.

Earthquake

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During an earthquake, if you are:

<u>Inside</u>

- Immediately take cover under a table or desk or stand in a doorway. In areas where cover is not available, kneel at the base of an interior wall, facing the wall and with head down and covered by arms.
- 2. Turn your body away from windows and mirrors.
- 3. Be alert for falling objects and stay away from overhead fixtures, filing cabinets, bookcases, and electrical equipment.

Outside

- 1. Move to an open area away from buildings, trees, and power lines.
- 2. If unable to move to an open area, watch for falling objects.

In an Automobile

- 1. Stop your vehicle in the nearest open area.
- 2. Stay in the vehicle until the shaking stops.

After an earthquake:

- 1. Be aware of the possibility of aftershocks.
- 2. If possible and it is safe to do so, evacuate the building as soon as the shaking has ceased.
- 3. Do not move injured persons unless they are in obvious immediate danger (from fire, building collapse, etc.).
- 4. Open doors carefully. Watch for falling objects.
- Do not use elevators.
- 6. Do not use matches or lighters.
- 7. Limit use of telephone to calls for emergency services.

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Earthquakes will only last for a very brief time, but has the potential to cause injury and death, as well as substantial property damage. If an earthquake occurs, there are certain common-sense precautions that should be taken:

During an earthquake, if you are:

Inside

- 1. Immediately take cover under a table or desk or stand in a doorway. In areas where cover is not available, kneel at the base of an interior wall, facing the wall and with head down and covered by arms.
- 2. Turn your body away from windows and mirrors.
- 3. Be alert for falling objects, and stay away from overhead fixtures, filing cabinets, bookcases, and electrical equipment.

Outside:

- 1. Move to an open area away from buildings, trees, and power lines.
- 2. If unable to move to an open area, watch for falling objects.

In an automobile:

- 1. Stop your vehicle in the nearest open area.
- 2. Stay in the vehicle until the shaking stops.

After an earthquake:

- 1. Be aware of the possibility of aftershocks.
- 2. If possible and it is safe to do so, evacuate the building as soon as the shaking has ceased.
- 3. Do not move injured persons unless they are in obvious immediate danger (from fire, building collapse, etc.).
- 4. Open doors carefully. Watch for falling objects.
- 5. Do not use elevators.
- 6. Do not use matches or lighters.
- 7. Limit use of telephone to call for emergency services.

Explosion

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Chemicals, leaking gas, faulty boilers, or falling aircraft are some possible causes of life-threatening explosions.

If you hear or are in the area of an explosion:

1. Dial 911; or

Campus Police Department	.(928)) 428-8240/(928)	428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928)	965-8240		
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928)	428-0808		

- 2. Crawl under a table or desk.
- 3. Be prepared for possible further explosions.
- 4. Stay away from windows, mirrors, overhead fixtures, filing cabinets, bookcases, and electrical equipment.
- 5. Evacuate the building if the fire alarm sounds.

- 6. Do not move seriously injured persons unless they are in obvious immediate danger (of fire, building collapse, etc.).
- 7. Feel doors for heat before opening, and open carefully.
- 8. Watch for falling objects.
- 9. Do not use elevators.
- 10. If requested, accompany, and assist persons with disabilities.
- 11. Do not use matches, lighters, or other open flames in the vicinity of the explosion.
- 12. Limit use of telephone to call for emergency services.
- 13. Meet at a predetermined location to account for all members of your unit.

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- 1. Assist the disabled in leaving the building. Do not move seriously injured persons unless they are in immediate danger. Watch out for exposed electrical wires and/or falling objects when evacuating the building.
- 2. Dial 9-1-1.
- 3. Evacuate to a common safe area and check to see if everyone is accounted for.
- 4. Streets, fire lanes, hydrants, and walkways need to be kept clear for emergency vehicles.
- 5. Do not return to an evacuated building until told to do so by authorized personnel.

Fire

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Response to Fire or Suspected Fire:

- 1. If a burning odor or smoke is present, pull a fire alarm to activate the fire alarm system.
- 2. If possible, shut off gas in your area.
- 3. If you can help control the fire without personal danger and have received training, take action with an available fire extinguisher. If not, leave the area.
- 4. Never allow the fire to come between you and an exit.
- 5. Leave the building, checking as you leave to make sure everyone has left the immediate area. Close doors behind you to confine the fire.
- 6. Once you have evacuated the building:

Dial 911; or

Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch (928) 428-0808

Report the location of the fire and the material burning, if known. Report this information to fire and police personnel as they arrive.

Response to Audible Fire Alarms

- 1. If the audible fire alarm sounds, shut off any gas in your area and evacuate the building.
- 2. Leave immediately; do not delay locating personal items.

- 3. Try to make sure that all members of your department hear the alarm and evacuate the area by quickly checking nearby restrooms, copier rooms, storage rooms, etc., as you exit.
- 4. Use the nearest stairway. Do not use the elevator.
- 5. If requested, accompany, and assist persons with disabilities.
- 6. Shut all doors behind you as you go.
 - Closed doors can slow the spread of fire and smoke.
- 7. Evacuate as guickly as possible but in an orderly manner. Do not push or shove.
- 8. Once outside, move at least 100 feet from the building.
- 9. Meet at a predetermined location to account for all members of your unit.
- 10. Return to the building only when given the "all clear" by Campus Police or other proper emergency personnel.
 - Do not assume when the audible alarm ceases it is safe to enter the building. There are many possible reasons for the alarm to stop sounding.

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As with medical emergencies, in case of a fire, call 9-1-1. Explain to the emergency dispatcher exactly what the situation is, if you know, and what is burning. This is important because this will determine what level of response your call will receive. For example, if you report a car fire in the parking lot, and that it is not close to any buildings, one fire engine will be dispatched....and they will respond with lights and sirens. If you report that it is a fire in one of the campus buildings, a "First Alarm" assignment will be dispatched, which consists of three fire engines, a ladder truck, a support/utility truck, and two Battalion Chiefs. If you are not specific, the dispatchers are trained to anticipate the worst, and to "dispatch heavy." Even if you report what appears to be a minor fire, don't be surprised when a significant number of fire units show up. Small fires can become big fires surprisingly fast, and if responding fire units are not needed, they will be placed back in service by radio and will immediately be available for the next call.

Fires Inside a Building

If a fire starts inside one of the campus buildings, evacuate everyone from the immediate area right away. Use a fire pull station to activate the fire alarm and send someone to the office to call 9-1-1. The alarm system will notify the Fire Department, but an "alarm sounding" call will only result in a single fire engine being dispatched, with a non-emergency response. A call to 9-1-1 with the correct information will assure that the appropriate level of response is dispatched on the initial callout. If it is after hours, and nobody is in the office, it is certainly appropriate to call 9-1-1 on a cell phone. It must be remembered, however, that cell phones do not tell the dispatcher where the incident is, so the caller needs to make sure to clearly give the dispatcher the correct location and type of emergency. If the fire is very small, it is permissible to try to put it out with a fire extinguisher, but do not put yourself or anyone else at risk to do so.

Fires Outside a Building

The most common "outside" type fire would probably be either a dumpster fire or a vehicle fire in the parking lot. In such a case, the caller needs to be sure to advise the 9-1-1 dispatcher whether or not the fire is close to any buildings. In the case of a vehicle fire, do not approach the fire, and try to keep everyone else at least 100 feet away as well. Vehicles, especially newer ones, have quite a variety of components that can explode under fire conditions, including fuel systems, tires, air bags, energy-absorbing bumpers,

shock absorbers, and lift struts. Anybody standing too close can be seriously burned or be struck by hot flying debris. Be especially careful trying to put out a car fire with a fire extinguisher.

Brush Fires on School Property

Any brush fires that may occur on or near campus property have the potential of spreading very rapidly and becoming major fires. Like any other fire incident, brush fires should be reported to 9-1-1 immediately, and the caller should try to give the 9-1-1 dispatcher accurate information as to the fire's exact location, what is burning, and whether any buildings are threatened. During the wetter times of the year, a brushfire is unlikely to spread fast enough to be of any major concern. The Payson campus sits on approximately 50 acres of property, and much of it is undeveloped brush and forest. During certain times of the year, primarily in the early summer, the weather is hot and dry, and the danger of wildland fire is extreme.

If a fire occurs in your area:

- 1. Dial 9-1-1 and notify the campus administration office.
- 2. If it is a small fire and extinguishable, put it out. If it is an electrical fire (electrical equipment, lights, etc.) turn off switches or pull the plug from wall outlet, but only if it can be done safely.
- 3. Alert all occupants in the immediate danger area.
- 4. Pull the nearest fire alarm pull station (Usually located by building exits).
- 5. Close the doors to the room after everyone has exited.
- 6. Evacuate through the nearest exit and move away from the building.
- 7. Wait for further instructions from the Fire Department or from campus staff.

If a fire alarm is sounding:

- 1. Remain in control and assume that there is a fire in the building.
- 2. Evacuate through the nearest exit and move away from the building.
- 3. Follow instructions from the Fire Department and from campus staff.

Note: All educational facilities, including the Gila Pueblo/Payson Campus, are required to conduct periodic fire drills. If the fire alarm is sounded as a part of a routine fire drill, it should be treated the same as if it were an actual fire. Do not ignore fire alarms!

Flooding/Water Leak

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Serious water damage can occur from a number of sources: broken pipes, clogged drains, damaged skylights or windows, or construction errors.

If a water leak occurs:

1. Call and report the exact location and severity of the leak to:

<u>During Regular Business Hours</u> Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department......(928) 428-8300 (Closes at 3:00 p.m.) Campus Police Department(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241 <u>After Hours</u>

Campus Police Department	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Office Dispatch	(928) 428-0808
Alternative Method to Contact Campus Police Department	

- 2. If there are electrical appliances or outlets near the leak, use extreme caution. If there is any possible danger, evacuate the area.
- 3. If you know the source of the water and are confident of your ability to stop it (i.e., unclog the drain, turn off the water, etc.), do so.
- 4. Be prepared to assist as directed in protecting objects that are in jeopardy. Take only essential steps to avoid or reduce immediate water damage, such as covering objects with plastic sheeting or moving small or light objects out of danger.
- 5. Evacuate when necessary and safe to do so.

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Water damage in campus buildings can result from a number of sources. The most common sources are clogged drains, faulty faucets, leaking roofs, broken pipes, malfunctioning flushometer, sewer back-ups, and allowing water to run into a sink unattended.

If a water leak or flooding occurs:

1. Remain calm and notify maintenance or the administration office.

Gila Pueblo Administration Office	(928) 425-8481
Payson Campus Administration Office	(928) 468-8039

Indicate:

- a. The exact location and severity of the leak or flooding.
- b. If there are appliances or electrical circuits/outlets around the leak, leave the area. Do not attempt to turn them on or off.
- c. If you are able to stop the leak, do so with caution, i.e., by shutting off water valves, unclogging a drain, or applying pressure to the leaking pipe.
- d. Remain in the area close to the leak source until a member of maintenance or campus staff arrives.
- e. At times, during heavy rain, some campus buildings may be subject to flood water getting inside. The sooner maintenance is notified, and the water removed, the less likely costly damage will occur. If you observe flood water getting into buildings, immediately notify maintenance or the campus office.

Gas or Carbon Monoxide Leak

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If gas odor is detected in a building:

1. Call and report the exact location and severity of the leak to:

During Regular Business Hours	
Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department	(928) 428-8300 (Closes at 3:00 p.m.)
Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241

College Administration(928) 428-8201/(928) 428-8231

After Hours

Campus Police Department(928) 965-8240

- 2. Evacuate students and staff to a safe distance outside the building.
- 3. Try to make sure that all members of your department and building evacuate the area by quickly checking nearby restrooms, copier rooms, storage rooms, etc., as you exit.
- 4. Use the nearest stairway. Do not use the elevator.
- 5. If requested, accompany, and assist persons with disabilities.
- 6. Shut all doors behind you as you go. Closed doors can slow the spread of fumes.
- 7. Evacuate as quickly as possible but in an orderly manner. Do not push or shove.
- 8. Once outside, move at least 100 feet from the building.
- 9. Meet at a predetermined location to account for all members of your unit. 10. Return to the building only when given the "all clear" by Campus Police or other proper emergency personnel.

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If you smell gas:

- 1. Do not touch any light or electrical switch or appliances.
- 2. Do not pull the fire alarm pull station in the immediate area.
- 3. Dial 9-1-1.
- 4. Notify the campus administration office.
- 5. If the source of the leak is apparent and can be easily corrected by turning off a valve, (Bunsen burner, kitchen appliance, etc.) then shut it off. Open doors and windows to vent out the gas.
- 6. If the source of the leak is not apparent, evacuate the room immediately. Notify others in the immediate area of the danger to evacuate immediately.
- 7. Campus maintenance staff or emergency responders will shut off the main gas valve.
- 8. Evacuate away from the building and wait for assistance from Police and Fire Department personnel.

Haboob or Severe Dust Storm

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A watch means that weather conditions are favorable for the formation of a haboob or severe dust storm. A warning is issued when a haboob or severe dust storm has actually been sighted in the surrounding area. Emergency warning sirens may be activated when there is a warning.

If a haboob or severe dust storm warning has been issued when you are

Inside:

- 1. Stay inside. Bring inside individuals who may be outside.
- 2. Securely shut all doors. Close windows and blinds. Turn off Heat, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems and close vents to prevent dust from entering.

- 3. Stay away from glass windows and doors. If possible, move to an interior corridor, or room or office without windows and shut the door.
- 4. If requested, assist persons with disabilities to the safest area on the same floor.
- 5. Do not leave the shelter area until after the storm is over.
- 6. Continue to monitor the weather via radio or television until the warning has been lifted for your area.

Outside:

1. Find shelter and follow the information above.

Driving or in a vehicle

(Pull Aside Stay Alive Campaign suggests the following):

Residential/Business Street Driving

- Safely pull off the road while you still have visibility.
- Do not stop in a travel lane.
- Turn off car headlights and interior lights so that travelers don't assume you are on the road and try to follow you.
- Close air vents so dust does not come into the vehicle.
- Turn off the air conditioning and heating.
- Roll up all windows and ensure all doors are closed securely.
- Stay inside the vehicle with your seatbelt fastened.
- Never touch or try to move downed power lines.
- Call your local police department to handle dangerous situations.
- Wait for the storm to pass.
- Have emergency items such as food and water available in your vehicle.
- After storm passes brush off the front grill, vents below the wipers, and hood scoops prior to starting the vehicle.
- Pour water onto the windshield wiper vent before starting the engine after dusting the vents.

Interstate/Highway Driving

- Do not stop in a travel lane.
- Do not drive or stop in the emergency lane.
- Exit as soon as possible and wait for the storm to pass.
- If you can't safely exit the roadway, turn on your lights and reduce your speed.
- Do not stop in the middle of the roadway.
- If you need to stop, pull off the road completely, turn off lights, take your foot off the brake so other vehicles do not try to follow you.
- Close air vents, roll up all windows and ensure all doors are closed securely.

- Turn off the air conditioning and heating.
- Stay inside the vehicle with your seatbelt fastened.
- Never touch or try to move downed power lines.
- Call your local police department, to handle dangerous situations.
- Wait for the storm to pass.
- Have emergency items such as food and water available in your vehicle.
- After storm passes brush off the front grill, vents below the wipers, and hood scoops.
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Hazardous Material Spill

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"Hazardous material spill" - is a spill in which there is a significant amount of a hazardous material released or one in which the release of the substance cannot be controlled.

Examples	Hazardous Material Spills	 more than one gallon of bleach more than 100 mL of sulfuric acid more than one gallon of gasoline any quantity of mercury
	Infectious Materials	 include blood and other body fluids

Response to a Hazardous Material Spill

- 1. If the hazardous material comes in contact with your skin, immediately flush the affected area with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes and then seek medical attention.
- 2. If contact or the spill quantity is significant:

Dial 911; or

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

- 3. Stop or contain the source of the hazardous material, if safely possible.
- 4. Evacuate the immediate area, closing doors behind you.
- 5. Unless you are trained, do not attempt to clean up the spill yourself.
- 6. Make yourself available to emergency personnel to supply critical information to aid in clean up.
- 7. Provide as much of the following information as possible:
 - Where the hazardous material spill occurred. Specify the floor, room number, and location in the room.
 - Whether a fire and/or explosion has occurred.
 - Whether there are any injuries and if so, how many.
 - The material that spilled.

- The state of the material (i.e., solid, liquid, gas, combination).
- Whether any of the hazardous material has escaped from the spill location in the form of chemical vapors/fumes or running or dripping liquid.

Response to an Infectious Material Spill

- 1. If the infectious material comes in contact with your skin, immediately wash with soap and water.
- 2. Unless you are trained, do not attempt to clean up the spill yourself.
- 3. Contact:

4. Make yourself available to responding Environmental Health and Safety personnel to supply information to aid in clean up.

Note: Eastern Arizona College (Thatcher Campus) contracts with 3E Company to provide 24-hour, on-call hazardous material information for the College. You may call them at 800-451-8346 or go to the website at www.3ECompany.com to obtain safety information and other details.

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Hazardous materials (HazMat) incidents can involve any number of substances, and can be in a gaseous, liquid, or powder form. The Gila Pueblo and Payson campuses do not have a large number of science-related classes, but there is a science room, and it is possible that a HazMat problem of some sort could occur.

If you are involved in a spill or are exposed to hazardous material:

- 1. Isolate the area as much as possible to prevent the spread of any contamination.
 - Keep any unrelated students and staff out of the area.
- 2. If a person is exposed, limit their movement.
 - Remove them from the immediate area to get them out of danger. However, do not allow them to wander off, go home, or go to the campus administration office.
 - Use the eyewash station, if indicated.
- 3. Anyone who is potentially contaminated, including campus staff members, should stay in the area until they can be cleared by responding fire/rescue/hazmat personnel.
- 4. Call 9-1-1, as soon as possible. Describe the substance, if known.

Note: The Fire Department will be the lead agency in HazMat situations and will coordinate all actions.

Hostage Situation

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If you are involved in a hostage situation:

1. Dial 911, if safely possible; or

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	. (928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

Supply as many details as possible including the number of persons involved, description of hostage takers, weapons displayed, threats made, etc.

- 2. Do what you are told without argument.
- 3. Do not attempt to negotiate or argue with the hostage taker.
- 4. Try to get others to remain calm. Tell them to do what they are told.

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Hostage Incidents:

If you find yourself as a victim of or are confronted with an armed captor, keep in mind the following:

	Survival Techniques
You are alive	 Do not do anything to make the situation worse.
Stay calm	 Avoid being argumentative with or threatening to the subject. Do not make any sudden or quick movements. Ask permission to speak or move.
Be alert and	 If you are released or escape, anything you observe or hear could help
aware	law enforcement officers deal with the captor and end the crisis safely
	and quickly for everyone.
Control your	 Time is on the side of the negotiator and you.
fear and	
despair	
Trust the	- They are trained to end an emergency as quickly and safely as possible for
negotiating	everyone and you.
team	

All Campus Personnel

- 1. Dial 9-1-1; if it is reported to you that someone has been taken hostage by an armed suspect.
- 2. Notify the campus administration office with all details and that 9-1-1 has been notified.
- 3. Assess the situation to determine if a safe evacuation can begin without providing the captor with additional hostages.
- 4. Upon arrival of Police personnel, the control of the situation becomes their responsibility. Be prepared to provide the police with the following information if it is known to you:
 - The location and number of hostages.
 - The number and description of captors.
 - If the hostage takers are armed and with what kind of weapons.
 - Any demands or instructions from the hostage takers.
 - Cooperate with and provide any assistance to the police and the hostage negotiating team.

- Provide floor plans if they are available.
- Keys and access to any part of the building.

If you, your students, or staff members become a hostage:

- Remain calm! Calm your students or staff members and reassure them.
- Do not take any actions that would endanger or become life threatening to your students or you.
- Observe and remember your captor's description, if they are armed, and anything said by them.

When you observe a hostage situation taking place on campus or in your building:

- Do not intervene.
- Alert police and the campus office immediately.
- Remain out of sight of the hostage-taker(s) but remain in a location where you might prevent others from becoming victims. Call upon other staff members to assist you.
- If the local news media arrives on the scene, refer them to the campus office. Do not make any statements to the media or other people unless you are authorized to do so.

If an evacuation is ordered, evacuate to the location given to you by police or College staff.

Shooting or Stabbing:

If a student, faculty, or staff member is attacked in a building or on campus, students should move away from the scene immediately and seek help from the nearest classroom or staff member. Any witness of the attack should identify himself or herself to the responding staff member or police officer. In doing so, this will assist responding emergency personnel in aiding the victim and the identification and apprehension of the assailant.

Faculty or staff member in charge:

- 1. Call 9-1-1 to request police and emergency medical assistance, if needed.
- 2. Assess the situation and notify the campus administration office.
- 3. If you are aware of a shooting or stabbing, or suspect one occurring, lock your doors (if possible) to prevent an attacker from entering your area.
- 4. Secure the area where the attack occurred. Do not permit the curious to enter or disturb anything.
- 5. Try to determine if the attacker is still on campus.
- 6. If it is safe, administer first aid to the injured.
- 7. Identify and remove any witnesses from the scene to separate, unoccupied areas. Have them begin to write down what they saw and heard.
- 8. Expect the arrival of news media. Brief campus administration office staff and refer all news reporters' questions to the person designated to act as the spokesperson for the College.
- 9. When the situation is clear, notify all in your area.
- 10. Inform all students, faculty, and staff to avoid rumors.
- 11. Debrief all those directly involved.

Faculty:

- 1. Immediately report the incident.
- 2. Maintain order and make sure students are kept safely away from the area. Remain with your class at all times.
- 3. If there are any injuries assess the nature of the emergency and, if safe, administer first aid and keep the curious away from the injured party.
- 4. As soon as possible, write down what you observed and heard for police investigators.

Gunfire (sniper or drive-by shooting):

- 1. Dial 9-1-1 when you hear gunfire or suspect someone is shooting near your location.
- 2. If possible, lock outside doors.
- Immediately move all the people away from windows. Do not allow anyone to get up and look outside any window, even if you suspect the situation is over. Wait until the police arrive and declare that everything is safe.
- 4. If the gunfire is directed toward your office or classroom, immediately instruct everyone to lie down on the floor and take cover.
- 5. If someone knocks on your door and identifies him/herself as a police officer, ask enough questions to ensure s/he is indeed an officer and not a perpetrator.
- 6. If there are injuries, administer first aid and call for medical responders (Dial 9-1-1).
- 7. When the situation has been declared safe, report the situation to the campus administration office.
- 8. If you are contacted by the news media, refer all inquiries to the campus administration office.
- 9. After the situation has been resolved and declared safe, prepare a written report of the incident for police and the Senior Dean.

In any of the situations mentioned above, or in any other emergency, police and/or fire officials will be in charge and will operate under the Incident Command System (ICS). On major incidents, it will take some time to assemble the resources needed, and to resolve the issue. Sometimes it may seem that things are "taking too long," and there will be a tendency for people to return to their normal activities before the official "All Clear" is given. In order to address this, it is desirable that the Campus Dean or some member of the senior campus staff remain with the Incident Command group, both to act as an information source and to serve as a liaison between responders and campus staff.

Medical Emergency

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If someone becomes ill or injured and requires immediate medical assistance:

- 1. Dial 911; or
 - Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch(928) 428-0808
 - Provide detailed information on the location of the ill or injured person.
- 2. Unless you are trained, do not attempt to render any first aid before assistance arrives.
- 3. Do not attempt to move a person who has fallen and appears to be in pain.
- 4. Attempt to obtain the following information from the ill or injured person:

- a. Name, if not known.
- b. Description of symptoms.
- c. Allergies.
- d. Medications.
- e. Major medical history (heart condition, asthma, diabetes, etc.).
- 5. Remain at the scene after emergency personnel have arrived to provide information.
- 6. Preparing for such emergencies includes being trained in emergency first aid and CPR.

Defibrillator Location Information:		
	<u>Building</u>	<u>Location in Building</u>
North	Activities Center	Raised Directory near men's room
Campus	Center for Bus. & Information	North of keypad at South entrance
	Tech.	
	Library	North CMU wall at interior of double doors
	Math Science	West of Room 315/across from Room 312
	North Campus classrooms	NC5 access hall
	Residence Towers	Surface mount on wall, east of reception
Middle	Academic Programs (AP)	East main entry double door next to fire ext. cabinet
Campus	Campus Police	In police vehicle (Lance Lines)
	Nursing Education Center	SW entry by fire ext. cabinet and building directory
	Student Services (SS)	Financial Aid wall next to fire extinguisher cabinet
South	Gym	Athletic Training Room
Campus	Fine Arts Auditorium	North entrance between two main entrance doors
	ITE Building/Fab Lab	Near Wood Shop
	South Campus Classrooms (SC5)	Sports Medicine Lab
	Wellness Center (Gym)	Unit exists on site in shelf at staff desk area
Discovery	Main Office	Location at main office
Park		

Possible Poisoning:

- 1. Dial (800) 222-1222 to reach the Poison Control Center. The center can also answer questions about poisons and poison prevention.
- 2. Dial 911 or Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch (928) 428-0808 if the person has collapsed, is not breathing, or is having seizures,

Influenza and COVID-19:

Eastern Arizona College is aware of the impact the flu and COVID-19 could have on campus. The College will work with local and state officials in a coordinated response to this type of situation.

To learn more about influenza and some practical, common sense measures you can take to reduce your risk of contracting the flu or COVID-19, visit https://eac.edu/currentstudents/activities-campus/flu.php.

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As with any place where large numbers of people gather, it can be anticipated that, from time to time, medical-related incidents will occur on campus. With our large number of senior citizen students, it can

probably be expected that our campus will see a larger-than-normal number of these medical incidents. These can be broken down into two basic categories - trauma and medical.

"Medical incident" - is when someone experiences an emergency relating to a pre-existing medical condition, such as if someone has a heart attack while on campus.

"Trauma incident" - is when someone is injured, such as if someone falls and breaks their arm.

When a medical emergency occurs, our primary goal must be to get the appropriate assistance to the patient(s) as quickly as possible. In order to do this, however, we also must be sure that we do not place ourselves in a position of danger.....and in doing so become patients ourselves. The classic example of this is the well-meaning person who rushes to assist a child who has been struck by a car.....and gets struck by another passing car. In an environment such as our campuses, this normally will not be an issue, but it could be. Be alert.

Our primary action during an emergency is to call the 9-1-1 emergency number. Gila County has a sophisticated dispatch center with modern Enhanced 9-1-1 technology, and they can have the appropriate emergency personnel responding our direction very quickly, but it is still very important to stay on the line with the 9-1-1 dispatcher and to answer their questions. In the case of a medical emergency, the normal dispatch to our campus will be a fire department engine, staffed with firefighter/paramedics, and an ambulance from the local ambulance company. Normal emergency response time to our campus will be approximately five minutes. Always try to have someone out in front to meet the arriving fire unit, so that they can immediately direct them to the patient's location.

Conscious Patients

Many times, with conscious patients, they will know what is happening to them. Just ask. If the patient is alert, can speak clearly, and seems to be aware of his/her surroundings, they will probably be able to give you accurate information. Be suspicious of patients who are conscious but act inappropriately or seem to be "out of it." They may have had a seizure, or even a stroke. Even if a patient does not request or want assistance, it is usually better to call 9-1-1, and to let fire paramedics make the determination. Keep the patient calm and either sitting or lying down, and medical personnel will be there very shortly.

Unconscious Patients

Any incident of an unconscious patient on campus should be treated as an acute medical emergency, and 9-1-1 should be called right away. It is generally best not to move the patient, unless they are in immediate danger; however, it is important to ensure that the patient's airway is not restricted to the point that they are unable to breathe. For example, if a patient becomes unconscious while on one of the machines in the Wellness Center, it may be necessary to move them just to be able to make sure that they are actually breathing. If the unconscious patient is sitting in a chair, they should be lowered to the floor, so they do not fall. If the patient is NOT breathing, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) will be necessary, and the Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) equipment, which is located in the Wellness Center, should be used. The 9-1-1 dispatcher should be advised that the patient is not breathing, and that CPR is in progress. This is officially called cardiorespiratory arrest, but in the emergency services it is referred to as a "code blue," or simply a "code."

Perform the following steps as necessary:

- 1. Keep the victim still and comfortable. Do not move the victim unless it is crucial to his or her safety.
- 2. Ask the victim, "Are you okay?" and "What is wrong?"

- 3. Check breathing. If not breathing, clear the airway and administer Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), if trained to do so. If not trained in CPR, attempt to locate a person trained in CPR quickly. An Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) is located in the Wellness Center and should be used as indicated.
- 4. Control serious bleeding by using direct pressure on the wound.
- 5. Continue to assist the victim until help arrives.
- 6. Look for emergency medical I.D., question witnesses and give all information to paramedics.
- 7. For minor injuries or illnesses, provide proper first aid care:
 - a. Use sterile first aid materials (if available).
 - b. Avoid direct contact with blood. When available, use protective latex gloves.
 - c. Complete an incident report and file it with the campus office.

Power Outage

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Power Outage Response

- 1. Keep a flashlight in your area. Many cellphones have a light feature.
- 2. Call

During Regular Business Hours

Physical Resources (Maintenance) Department	(928) 428-8300 (Closes at 3:00 p.m.)
Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241

After Hours

Campus Police Department	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Office Dispatch	(928) 428-0808
Alternative Method to Contact Campus Police Department	

- 3. Provide assistance to others in your immediate area who may be unfamiliar with the space.
- 4. If you are in an unlighted area, proceed cautiously to an area that has emergency lights.
- 5. If you are in an elevator, stay calm. Use the emergency button or telephone to alert Campus Police.
- 6. Initiate power outage protocols for critical operations such as fume hoods.

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In all campus buildings there are battery operated emergency lights in hallways and other exit areas. The battery-operated lights automatically activate when the power goes off.

If the building that you are in has a power outage:

- 1. Remain calm and in control.
- 2. Notify the campus administration office of the power outage.
- 3. If you are teaching a class, have the students remain seated.
- 4. Provide assistance to visitors, students, and other staff members in your immediate vicinity. Give special attention to disabled persons.

- 5. Standby until maintenance personnel arrive and advise you to evacuate the building. Proceed to the nearest exit and properly leave the building. Disabled persons who require assistance to exit should be assisted to an exit. Remain with them until help arrives.
- 6. Once outside, proceed to the evacuation/assembly area and wait for further instruction from campus staff.

Suspicious Mail or Package

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Some typical characteristics, which in combination may trigger suspicions, are:

- Restricted marking such as "Personal" or "Special Delivery."
- No return address or one that cannot be verified as legitimate.
- A city or state in the postmark that does not match the return address.
- Unusual weight based on size.
- Lopsided or oddly shaped, strange odors, oily stains, crystallization, protruding wires, rigid or bulky, excessive tape or string.

If you receive a suspicious letter or package:

- 1. Do not try to open it.
- 2. Isolate it.
- 3. Call:

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

If you open a parcel containing suspicious material or alleged to contain suspicious material:

- 1. Set it down where you are.
 - Do not move the contaminated material.
 - If any material spills out of the letter or package, do not try to clean it up and do not brush off your clothes as this could disperse material into the air.
- 2. If the material is corrosive or presents an immediate danger, wash, or rinse your hands.
- 3. Close the door to the area where the suspicious parcel was opened and do not allow others to enter the area.
- 4. Call:

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

5. Stay at the scene to answer questions from Campus Police and Physical Facilities personnel. If anyone enters the closed area in which the suspicious letter or package is, that person should also stay at the scene.

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Suspicious Packages:

- 1. Do not allow anyone to handle a suspicious package or to go near it.
- 2. Immediately notify the police/sheriff's office.
- 3. Provide information to police/sheriff personnel regarding when the object was first noticed and any other related information or observations.

Suspicious Object

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"Suspicious object"- is defined as any package, parcel, container, or other object that is suspected of being an explosive device because it is out of place or unusual for that location and cannot be accounted for, or because a threat has been received.

If you find a suspicious object:

- 1. Do not touch the object.
- 2. Move people 100 feet or more away from the object.
 - Do not use portable radio equipment or cell phones within 100 feet of the suspicious object.
- 3. Dial 911 or

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	(928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

- 4. Follow police instructions precisely.
- 5. Do not attempt to evacuate the building without the authorization or assistance of emergency personnel.
 - Current emergency management guidelines caution against automatic evacuation. In most cases, people are likely to be more secure in their offices, laboratories, or classrooms than in hallways that have not been searched or outdoors where an actual threat may be even more likely to exist.
- 6. If a search of the building is conducted, you and other staff may be asked to accompany Campus police officers since you are more likely to notice something out of the ordinary in your own area or facility.

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Suspicious Packages:

- 1. Do not allow anyone to handle a suspicious package or to go near it.
- 2. Immediately notify the police/sheriff's office.
- 3. Provide information to police/sheriff personnel regarding when the object was first noticed and any other related information or observations.

Tornado

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"Tornado watch" - means that weather conditions are favorable for the formation of a tornado.

"Tornado warning" - is issued when a tornado has actually been sighted in the surrounding area. Emergency warning sirens may be activated when there is a tornado warning.

If a tornado warning has been issued and you are:

Inside:

- 1. Stay inside.
- 2. Stay away from outside walls, windows, mirrors, glass, overhead fixtures, and unsecured objects such as filing cabinets or bookcases.
- 3. If possible, move to a below-ground-level floor, interior corridor, or room or office without windows and crouch low with your hands covering the back of your head and neck.
- 4. Do not use elevators.
- 5. If requested, assist persons with disabilities to the safest area on the same floor.
- 6. Do not leave the shelter area until after the storm is over.
- 7. Continue to monitor the weather via radio or television until the tornado warning has been lifted for your area.

Outside:

- 1. If you are in your car, get out of it. Never try to outrun a tornado.
- 2. Look for a nearby safe structure in which to take shelter.
- 3. If there is no shelter, lie down flat in a low area such as a ditch away from trees with your hands covering the back of your head and neck.

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Tornadoes will only last for a very brief time, but has the potential to cause injury and death, as well as substantial property damage. If a tornado occurs, there are certain common-sense precautions that should be taken:

During a tornado, if you are:

<u>Inside</u>

- 1. Take cover in a basement, or in a windowless room in the center of the building. If that is not possible, take cover under a table, desk, or in an interior hallway.
- 2. Stay away from windows, mirrors, overhead fixtures, cabinets, bookcases, electrical equipment, etc.

Outside:

1. Seek shelter in some type of substantial building. If no such shelter exists, lay down flat in a ditch or other open low-lying area, away from trees and other potential sources of flying debris.

In an automobile:

If the tornado is still some distance away, drive away at right angles to the direction that the
tornado is moving. If that is not possible, DO NOT try to "ride out" the tornado inside your
vehicle. Leave your vehicle and go to a substantial shelter. If no such shelter exists, lay down flat
in a ditch or other open low-lying area, away from trees and other potential sources of flying
debris.

After a tornado:

- 1. Remain calm and in control.
- 2. Open doors carefully and watch for falling objects.
- 3. Avoid using telephones.
- 4. Follow instructions of Police/Sheriff and Fire personnel. If an evacuation order is given, proceed to the nearest exit or where directed. Proceed to a designated evacuation/assembly area.
- 5. Do not use elevators, matches, lighters, or any other open-flame devices.

Violence on Campus

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If you witness an act of violence on campus:

- 1. Get away from the situation as quickly as possible.
- 2. If you cannot get away, take cover to protect yourself. Secure doors, turn off lights, and stay quiet, low, and out of sight.
- 3. Dial 911 or

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Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	(928) 428-0808

If a threat to human safety occurs on campus:

- 1. The campus Police will initiate the Campus Emergency Alert System (Omnilert®) and all students, employees, and those community members who have subscribed to the alert service, should receive a text and/or email with alert notifications.
- 2. Information-including safety instructions for students, faculty, and staff will be made available to the campus community through e-mail, opt-in text messaging.

Gila Pueblo and Payson Campuses

If you witness an act of violence on campus:

- 1. Get away from the situation as quickly as possible.
- 2. If you cannot get away, take cover to protect yourself. Secure doors, turn off lights, and stay quiet, low, and out of sight.
- 3. Dial 911 or

Gila Pueblo Campus

Campus Security/

Gila Pueblo Campus Administration Office	. (928) 425-8481
Payson Campus	
Campus Security/	
Payson Campus Administration Office	. (928) 468-8039

Violence in the Workplace

Thatcher Campus

Workplace violence often begins with inappropriate behavior or signs that, when detected and reported, may help prevent its occurrence. The following information may be helpful in detecting or anticipating workplace violence and help to create a safer, healthier workplace for everyone.

If violence occurs or there is an immediate threat of violence:

1. Leave the area immediately, if possible. If this is not possible, try to lock yourself in a secure area. Secure doors, turn off lights, and stay quiet, low, and out of sight.

2. If possible:

Dial 911 or

Campus Police Department	(928) 428-8240/(928) 428-8241
Campus Police Department (After Hours)	. (928) 965-8240
Graham County Sheriff's Dispatch	. (928) 428-0808

Give Campus Police or a dispatcher as many details as possible.

Workplace Violence Prevention

- Be aware of what is going on around you at all times. Awareness is a proven method for increased personal safety.
- Tell your supervisor when you notice unusual or suspicious behavior.
- Attend a violence prevention seminar that includes training in conflict resolution and positive ways
 of dealing with hostile individuals. Campus Police and the Counseling Department offer these.
- Refer employees exhibiting inappropriate behavior to the supervisor or Human Resources Office.
- Do not hesitate to call Campus Police for help.
- Remember: A safe workplace is everyone's responsibility.

Examples of Workplace Violence

- Threats, direct or implied.
- Physical conduct such as pushing, shoving, or striking that harms or has the potential to harm people or property.
- Conduct that harasses, disrupts, or interferes with another individual's performance.
- Conduct that creates an intimidating, offensive, or hostile environment.

Risk Factors That Contribute to Workplace Violence

- Termination of employment.
- Disciplinary actions.

- Ongoing conflicts between employees.
- Domestic or family violence.
- Financial problems.

Potential Warning Signs

- Verbal, nonverbal, or written threats.
- Fascination with weapons or violence.
- New or increased stress at home or work.
- Expressions of hopelessness or anxiety.
- Insubordinate behavior.
- Dramatic change in work performance.
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Evacuation Procedures

Thatcher Campus

Evacuation of a Building

To be prepared for an emergency, you should:

- 1. Recognize the sound of the evacuation alarm.
- 2. Know at least two ways out of the building from your regular workspace.
- 3. Know the predetermined meeting location for your unit.

When you hear the evacuation alarm or are verbally instructed to begin evacuating the building:

- 1. Try to make sure that all members of your department hear the alarm and evacuate the area by quickly checking nearby restrooms, copier rooms, storage rooms, etc., as you exit.
- 2. Use the nearest stairway. Do not use the elevator.
- 3. If requested, accompany, and assist persons with disabilities.
- 4. Shut all doors behind you as you go. Closed doors can slow the spread of fire, smoke, and water.
- 5. Evacuate as quickly as possible but in an orderly manner. Do not push or shove.
- 6. Once outside, move at least 100 feet from the building or follow the instructions of emergency personnel on the scene. Stay away from building entrances to avoid interfering with emergency personnel or equipment.
- 7. Meet at a predetermined location.

Evacuation of Persons with Physical Disabilities

The following information provides basic guidelines for assisting persons with physical disabilities during an emergency evacuation.

Ground Floor

Persons with physical disabilities should exit the building along with other building occupants.

Above or Below Ground Floors

A. Visually Impaired

Tell the person with the visual impairment the nature of the emergency and offer to guide the person to the nearest exit. Have the person take your elbow and escort him/her out of the building. As you walk, advise the person of any obstacles. When you reach safety, orient the person to where he/she is and ask if any further assistance is necessary.

B. Hearing Impaired

Alert the person if there is an emergency situation by using hand gestures or by turning the light switch on and off. Verbalize or mouth instructions or provide the individual with a short note containing instructions. Offer assistance as you leave the building.

C. Mobility Impaired

Since elevators should not be used for evacuation during an emergency, persons with mobility impairments will need assistance evacuating. Individuals who can walk may be able to evacuate themselves. Walk with the person to provide assistance, if necessary.

Evacuating individuals who are not able to walk is much more complicated. If there is no immediate danger, take the individual to a safe place to wait for emergency personnel. Whenever possible, someone should remain with the person while another individual exits the building and notifies emergency personnel of the mobility impaired person's exact location.

Only in situations of extreme and immediate danger should you try to evacuate a wheelchair user yourself. The person with the disability is the best authority on how he/she should be moved. Ask before you move someone. While it is best to let professional emergency personnel conduct the evacuation, a person with a mobility impairment can be carried by two people who have interlocked their arms to form a "chair" or by carrying the person in a sturdy office chair.

Gila Pueblo and Payson Campuses

1. Building Evacuation

- a. Building evacuations will occur when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by campus staff.
- b. When the building evacuation alarm is activated during an emergency, leave using the nearest marked exit and alert others to do the same.
 - Note: Assist the disabled as necessary to exit the building.
- c. Faculty and supervisors need to ensure that all persons under their responsibility have exited the building.
 - i. Once outside, proceed to your designated area assembly point. Stay there and get an accurate headcount. A College employee will pick up your head count information to ensure that all students are accounted for.
 - ii. Keep all streets and driveway areas clear for responding emergency personnel.
 - iii. DO NOT return to an evacuated building unless told to do so by authorized College personnel.

2. Campus Evacuation

- a. The evacuation of Gila Pueblo and Payson Campus will be announced by an authorized College employee.
- b. All persons (students and staff) are to immediately vacate the site in question and relocate to another part of the campus grounds or other location as directed. Stay there and get an accurate headcount. A College employee will pick up your headcount information to assure that all students are accounted for. Do not allow students to go home or "wander off."
- c. Keep all streets and driveway areas clear for responding emergency personnel.
- d. DO NOT return to the evacuated campus unless told to do so by authorized College personnel.

ALCOHOL AND DRUG POLICY

Eastern Arizona College complies with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 (PL 101-226) which requires federal contractors and grantees to certify that they will provide a drug-free school. As such, a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees must be developed and implemented. The program must contain standards of conduct; a description of sanctions for violating federal, state, and local law, and campus policy; a description of health risks associated with alcohol or other drug use, a description of treatment options, and a biennial review of the program's effectiveness and the consistency of the enforcement of sanctions. Eastern Arizona College's Program to Prevent Illicit Use of Drugs and Abuse of Alcohol by Employees and Students is located in the Academic Catalog and is included with all part-time and full-time employment contracts.

Eastern Arizona College prohibits the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance by any person on District property or as part of any of the District's activities. Additionally, employees are prohibited from ingesting any controlled substance at work and from being at work while under the influence of any controlled substance. A "controlled substance" is defined as an illegal drug, a legal drug used in excess of recommended dosage, an alcoholic beverage and/or any other

mind-altering substance. Marijuana, even when employed for medical use, is considered to be a "controlled substance."

The Arizona Medical Marijuana Act (Proposition 203), which legalized the use and possession of medical marijuana by certain individuals, does not allow any person to use or possess marijuana in public. Additionally, it does not require employers to allow any employee to use or possess marijuana at work, nor to be under the influence of marijuana at work. Accordingly, the College will continue to prohibit the use and possession of all controlled substances (including marijuana) by students and employees on College property and will continue to prohibit employees from working while under the influence of marijuana. The College will not consider an employee who is a "registered qualifying patient" within the meaning of the Arizona Medical Marijuana Act to be under the influence of marijuana solely because of the presence of marijuana metabolites.

Eastern Arizona College and EAC PD enforce all local, state, and federal laws regarding the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of illicit drugs and alcohol on District property or as part of any of the District's activities. Eastern Arizona College expects all students, employees, and visitors to comply with all local, state, and federal alcohol and drug laws. Members of the campus community who violate local, state, or federal drug and alcohol laws, or who violate College policies regarding drugs and alcohol are subject to criminal prosecution and/or disciplinary action.

Policies have been developed to:

- A. Ensure that the working and learning environment for students, employees and the public is safe, orderly, and free of illegal activity.
- B. Comply with the Drug Free School and Communities Act of 1989 (PL 101-26), the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 (PL 100-690, Title IV, Subtitle D) and other relevant substance abuse laws.
- C. Provide students with access to appropriate treatment and rehabilitation assistance for problems associated with substance use or abuse.

References:

GCCCD Policy #4710.00 and Regulation #4710.01 specify standards of conduct and consequences of violations for employees.

GCCCD Regulations #5800.01 and #5800.02 specify the standards of conduct and consequences of violation in relation to drug and alcohol use, and the Drug-Free Compliance Program.

Drug or Alcohol Abuse Education Programs

As part of the annual training that students receive through *Get Inclusive*, a third-party vendor, students receive information on drug and alcohol prevention.

Although the College does not provide direct drug or alcohol counseling, treatment, or rehabilitation services. Students or employees with concerns related to the use/abuse of drugs or alcohol are encouraged to meet with a member of the Counseling staff on the Thatcher Campus for confidential consultation and referral. Counseling staff are located in the Student Services Building on Stadium Avenue on the Thatcher Campus. Appointments can be made by calling (928) 428-8253. Arizona State Prison inmates are encouraged to contact the Program Supervisor at their institutions. Inmates at the Federal Correctional Institution (Swift Trail) should contact the FCI Psychology Department. Direct contact with organizations or individuals providing drug or alcohol counseling, treatment, prevention, or rehabilitation services can be made by students or employees depending on location:

• Graham County, Southeastern Arizona Behavioral Health Services (SEABHS), Safford: (928) 428-4550

Greenlee County, Southeastern Arizona Behavioral Health Services (SEABHS), Clifton: (928) 865-4531

PERSONAL SAFETY/PROTECTION AGAINST SEXUAL ASSUALT OR VIOLENT CRIME

Eastern Arizona College considers the personal safety of students, employees, and visitors an essential element in the maintenance of a learning environment and has a responsibility to ensure they can enjoy the benefits and opportunities the College has to offer in this environment. EAC prohibits stalking, sexual assault, domestic violence and dating violence as they are defined for the purposes of the Clery Act and Arizona state law.

Please see <u>Clery Act Crime Definitions</u> for the definitions of sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence, and dating violence, and consent as defined by the Clery Act and the State of Arizona.

EAC Policy and Regulation – Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

GCCCD Regulation 2075.01 Procedures for Alleged Violations of the Title IX Sexual Harassment Regulations

RATIONALE

Eastern Arizona College (the College) is committed to providing a workplace and educational environment, as well as other benefits, programs, and activities that are free from sexual harassment/discrimination, and retaliation. To ensure compliance with federal and state civil rights laws and regulations, and to affirm its commitment to promoting the goals of fairness and equity in all aspects of the educational program or activity, the College has developed internal policies and procedures that provide a prompt, fair, and impartial process for those involved in an allegation of sexual harassment, and for allegations of retaliation. The College values and upholds the equal dignity of all members of its community and strives to balance the rights of the parties in the grievance process during what is often a difficult time for all those involved.

DEFINITIONS

- Actual Notice means that an employee, student, or third party informs the Title IX Coordinator
 or other Official with Authority of the alleged occurrence of alleged harassing, discriminatory,
 and/or retaliatory conduct.
- 2. <u>Advisor</u> means a person chosen by a party or appointed by the institution to accompany the party to meetings related to the resolution process, to advise the party on that process, and to conduct cross-examination for the party at the hearing, if a hearing is held. This individual may be a District or College employee, attorney, or member of the community.
- 3. <u>Complainant</u> means an individual who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute sexual harassment or retaliation for engaging in a protected activity.
- 4. <u>Formal Complaint</u> means a document filed with the Title IX Coordinator/signed by a Complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging against a Respondent sexual harassment or retaliation for engaging in a protected activity and requesting that Eastern Arizona College investigate the allegation.
- 5. <u>Day(s)</u> means a business day when Eastern Arizona College is in normal operation.
- 6. <u>Educational program or activity</u> means locations, events, or circumstances where Eastern Arizona College exercises substantial control over both the Respondent and the context in which the

- sexual harassment or discrimination occurs and also includes any building owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by Eastern Arizona College.
- 7. <u>Final Determination/Finding</u> means a conclusion by preponderance of the evidence that the alleged conduct occurred, or did not occur, and whether it did, or did not, violate policy and/or regulation.
- 8. <u>Formal Grievance Process</u> means a method of formal resolution designated by Eastern Arizona College to address conduct that falls within the policies included below, and which complies with the requirements of 34 CFR Part 106.45.
- 9. <u>Grievance Process Team</u> means any investigators, appeal officers, and advisors who may perform any or all of these roles (though not at the same time or with respect to the same case).
- 10. <u>Hearing Decision-maker</u> means a person who has decision-making and sanctioning authority within Eastern Arizona College's Formal Grievance process.
- 11. <u>Investigator</u> means the person or persons charged by Eastern Arizona College with gathering facts about an alleged violation of this Regulation, assessing relevance and credibility, synthesizing the evidence, and compiling this information into an investigation report and file of directly related evidence.
- 12. <u>Mandated (Mandatory) Reporter</u> means an employee of Eastern Arizona College who is obligated by regulation to share knowledge or reports of harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation with the Title IX Coordinator. Mandatory Reporter under this regulation does not diminish the requirement under Arizona state law to report alleged or suspected child abuse, elder abuse, and/or abuse of individuals with disabilities to appropriate officials, though these responsibilities may overlap with those who have mandated reporter responsibility in this Regulation.
- 13. Official with Authority (OWA) means an employee of Eastern Arizona College explicitly vested with the responsibility to implement corrective measures for harassment and/or retaliation on behalf of Eastern Arizona College.
- 14. Parties include the Complainant(s) and Respondent(s), collectively.
- 15. <u>Promptness</u> means the time period in which allegations are acted upon once Eastern Arizona College has received notice or a formal complaint. Complaints can take 60-90 business days to resolve, typically. There are always exceptions and extenuating circumstances that can cause a resolution to take longer, but Eastern Arizona College will avoid all undue delays within its control.
- 16. <u>Remedies</u> means post-finding actions directed to the Complainant and/or the community as mechanisms to address safety, prevent recurrence, and restore access to Eastern Arizona College's educational program.
- 17. <u>Respondent</u> means an individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of conduct that could constitute harassment or discrimination based on a protected class; or retaliation for engaging in a protected activity.
- 18. Resolution means the result of an Informal or Formal Grievance Process.
- 19. <u>Sanction</u> means a consequence imposed by Eastern Arizona College on a Respondent who is found to have violated this regulation.
- 20. <u>Sexual Harassment</u> means the umbrella category including the offenses of sexual harassment, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence and domestic violence.
- 21. <u>Title IX Coordinator</u> is at least one official designated by Eastern Arizona College to ensure compliance with Title IX and Eastern Arizona College's Title IX program. References to the Coordinator throughout this regulation may also encompass a designee of the Coordinator for specific tasks.
- 22. <u>Title IX Team</u> refers to the Title IX Coordinator, any deputy coordinator(s), and any member of the Grievance Process Team.

TITLE IX COORDINATOR

Eastern Arizona College has designated a Title IX Coordinator who will oversee implementation of this regulation. The Title IX Coordinator has the primary responsibility for coordinating the College's efforts related to the intake, investigation, resolution, and implementation of supportive measures to stop, remediate, and prevent discrimination, harassment, and retaliation prohibited under this regulation.

Complaints or notice of alleged policy/regulation violations, or inquiries about or concerns regarding this regulation, may be made internally to:

Candee Skousen
Title IX Coordinator
Director of Residence Life
615 N. Stadium Ave.
Thatcher, AZ 85552

Phone: 928-428-8606

Email: candee.skousen@eac.edu
Web: https://www.eac.edu

The College's Title IX Coordinator acts with independence and authority free from bias and conflicts of interest. To raise any concern involving bias or conflict of interest by the Title IX Coordinator, contact the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs at susan.wood@eac.edu or at 928-428-8261. Concerns of bias or a potential conflict of interest by any other Title IX Team member should be raised with the Title IX Coordinator.

OFFICIALS WITH AUTHORITY AND MANDATED (MANDATORY) REPORTERS

OFFICIALS WITH AUTHORITY

The College has determined that the following administrators are Officials with Authority to address and correct sexual harassment and/or retaliation. In addition to the Title IX Team members listed in Section 2. Definitions, 22. Title IX Team, these Officials with Authority listed below may also accept notice or complaints on behalf of Eastern Arizona College.

Title IX Coordinator
Title IX Deputy Coordinator
College President
College Vice Presidents
Deans
Directors
Campus Police
Athletic Director

MANDATED (MANDATORY) REPORTERS

Eastern Arizona College has also classified all employees as Mandatory Reporters of any knowledge they have that a member of the College community is experiencing harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation. Mandatory Reporters are expected to report actual or suspected discrimination or harassment to the Title IX Coordinator or to any other Official with Authority.

Anonymous Notice to Mandated Reporters

At the request of a Complainant, notice may be given by a Mandated Reporter to the Title IX Coordinator anonymously, without identification of the Complainant. The Mandated Reporter cannot remain anonymous themselves. Anonymous notice will be investigated by Eastern Arizona College to the extent possible, both to assess the underlying allegation(s) and to determine if supportive measures or remedies can be provided. However, anonymous notice typically limits Eastern Arizona College's ability to investigate, respond, and provide remedies, depending on what information is shared. When a Complainant has made a request for anonymity, the Complainant's personally identifiable information may be withheld by a Mandated Reporter, but all other details must be shared with the Title IX Coordinator. Supportive measures may be offered as the result of such disclosures without formal action by the College.

Failure of a Mandated Reporter, as described above in this section, to report an incident of harassment or discrimination of which they become aware is a violation of Eastern Arizona College policy and can be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination, for failure to comply.

CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES AND FEDERAL RESOURCES

If a Complainant would like the details of an incident to be kept confidential, the Complainant may speak with:

Off-campus (non-employees):

- Licensed professional counselors and other medical providers
- Local rape crisis counselors
- Domestic violence resources
- Local or state assistance agencies
- Clergy/Chaplains
- Attorneys

External Inquiries may be made to:

Office for Civil Rights (OCR) U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202-1100

Customer Service Hotline#: (800) 421-3481

Facsimile: (202) 453-6012 TDD#: (877) 521-2172 Email: OCR@ed.gov

Web: http://www.ed.gov/ocr

NOTICE/COMPLAINTS OF DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND/OR RETALIATION

Notice or complaints of discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation may be made using any of the following options:

1. File a complaint with, or give verbal notice to, the Title IX Coordinator or Officials with Authority. Such a report may be made at any time (including during non-business hours) by using the telephone

number or email address, or by mail to the office address listed for the Title IX Coordinator or any other official listed. This information can be found on the College's website at <u>Title IX (eac.edu)</u>.

2. Report online, using the reporting form posted at title-ix-grievance-form.pdf (eac.edu). Anonymous reports are accepted but can give rise to a need to investigate. Eastern Arizona College will try to provide supportive measures to all Complainants, which is impossible with an anonymous report. Since anonymous reporting carries no obligation to initiate a formal response and since Eastern Arizona College respects a Complainant's requests to dismiss complaints, unless there is a compelling threat to health and/or safety, the Complainant is largely in control and should not fear a loss of privacy.

A Formal Complaint means a document filed/signed by the Complainant or signed by the Title IX Coordinator alleging a policy/regulation violation by a Respondent and requesting that Eastern Arizona College investigate the allegation(s). A formal complaint may be filed with the Title IX Coordinator in person, by mail, or by electronic mail, by using the contact information in the section immediately above, or as described in this section. As used in this paragraph, the phrase "document filed by a Complainant" means a document or electronic submission (such as by electronic mail or through an online portal provided for this purpose by Eastern Arizona College) that contains the Complainant's physical or digital signature, which can include the Complainant's name on the email, or otherwise indicates that the Complainant is the person filing the complaint.

If notice is submitted in a form that does not meet this standard, the Title IX Coordinator will contact the Complainant to ensure that it is filed correctly.

SUPPORTIVE MEASURES

The College will offer and implement appropriate and reasonable supportive measures to the parties upon notice of alleged harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation.

Supportive measures are non-disciplinary, non-punitive individualized services offered as appropriate, as reasonably available, and without fee or charge to the parties to restore or preserve access to the College's educational program or activity, including measures designed to protect the safety of all parties, the College's educational environment, and/or deter sexual harassment and/or retaliation.

The Title IX Coordinator shall make supportive measures available to the parties upon receiving notice or a complaint. At the time that supportive measures are offered, the College will inform the Complainant, in writing, that they may file a formal complaint with Eastern Arizona College either at that time or in the future, if they have not done so already. The Title IX Coordinator works with the Complainant to ensure that their requests are considered with respect to the planned and implemented supportive measures.

Eastern Arizona College will maintain the privacy of the supportive measures, provided that maintaining privacy does not impair the College's ability to provide the supportive measures. The College will act to ensure as minimal an academic impact on the parties as possible. The College will implement measures in a way that does not unreasonably burden the other party.

These actions may include, but are not limited to:

Referral to counseling, medical, and/or other healthcare services

- Referral to student assistance resources
- Referral to the Employee Assistance Program
- Referral to community-based service providers
- Student financial aid counseling
- Altering work arrangements for employees or student-employees
- Altering campus housing assignments
- Safety planning
- Providing campus safety escorts
- Implementing contact limitations (No Contact Orders) between the parties
- Academic support, extensions of deadlines, or other course/program-related adjustments
- Trespass orders, when applicable
- <u>Timely warnings</u> under the Clery Act
- Class schedule modifications, withdrawals, or leaves of absence
- Increased security and monitoring of certain areas of the campus
- Any other actions deemed appropriate by the Title IX Coordinator

Violations of No Contact Orders will be referred to appropriate student or employee conduct processes for enforcement.

EMERGENCY REMOVAL

Eastern Arizona College can act to remove a Respondent entirely or partially from its educational program/activities or District employment on an emergency basis when an individualized safety and risk analysis has determined that an immediate threat to the physical health or safety of any student or other individual justifies removal. This risk analysis is performed by the Title IX Coordinator in conjunction with the college Behavioral Intervention Team and/or Threat Assessment Team using its standard objective violence risk assessment procedures.

The Title IX Coordinator has sole discretion under this regulation to implement or stay an emergency removal and to determine the conditions and duration. Violation of an emergency removal under this regulation will be grounds for discipline, which may include expulsion or termination from employment.

In all cases where an emergency removal is imposed:

- 1. The Respondent will be given written notice of the action. In the written notice will be the option to request to meet with the Title IX Coordinator prior to such action/removal being imposed, or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible, to show cause why the action/removal should not be implemented or should be modified. This meeting is not a hearing on the merits of the underlying Title IX allegations, but rather an administrative process intended to determine solely whether the emergency removal is appropriate.
- 2. The Respondent has three (3) days after the receipt of the emergency removal to request a meeting with the Title IX Coordinator. If the Respondent does not make such a request within the three (3) day time period, objection to the emergency removal is deemed waived.
- 3. The Respondent may be accompanied by an Advisor of their choosing in the administrative meeting with the Title IX Coordinator.
- 4. The Respondent will be given access to a written summary of the basis for the emergency removal prior to the meeting to allow for adequate preparation.

- 5. The Respondent understands there is no appeal process for emergency removal decisions.
- 6. A Complainant and their Advisor may be permitted to participate in this meeting, if the Title IX Coordinator determines it is equitable to do so. There is no appeal process for emergency removal decisions.
- 7. Eastern Arizona College will implement the least restrictive emergency actions possible in light of the circumstances and safety concerns.

PRIVACY

Every effort is made by Eastern Arizona College to preserve the privacy of a report under this regulation.

JURISDICTION

This regulation applies to all of Eastern Arizona College's educational programs and activities, to conduct that takes place on the campus or on property owned or controlled by the College, at College sponsored events, or in buildings owned or controlled by recognized student organizations. The Respondent must be a member of the Eastern Arizona College community in order for its policies to apply. Nevertheless, even when the Respondent is not a member of the College's community, supportive measures, remedies, and resources may be accessible to the Complainant by contacting the Title IX Coordinator.

This regulation can also be applicable to the effects of off-campus misconduct that effectively deprive someone of access to the College's educational program. The College may also extend jurisdiction to off-campus and/or to online conduct when the Title IX Coordinator determines that the conduct affects a substantial College interest. For example, where the effects of the off-campus conduct impede access to the College's educational programs or activities.

Regardless of where the conduct occurred, Eastern Arizona College will address notice/complaints to determine whether the conduct occurred in the context of its educational program or activity, or employment, and/or has continuing effects on campus or in an off campus sponsored program or activity.

Similarly, the Title IX Coordinator may be able to provide guidance for a student or employee Complainant who experiences sexual harassment/discrimination in an environment external to the College by referring the Complainant to the EAC Counseling Office or to the Human Resources Department.

TIME LIMITS ON REPORTING

There is no time limitation on providing notice/complaints to the Title IX Coordinator. However, if the Respondent is no longer subject to the College's jurisdiction and/or significant time has passed, the ability to investigate, respond, and provide remedies may be more limited or impossible.

Acting on notice/complaints significantly impacted by the passage of time (including, but not limited to, the rescission or revision of regulation) is at the discretion of the Title IX Coordinator, who may document allegations for future reference, offer supportive measures and/or remedies, and/or engage in informal or formal action, as appropriate.

When the notice/complaint is affected by a significant time delay, the College will typically apply the regulation in place at the time of the alleged misconduct and the regulation/procedures in place at the time of notice/complaint.

ONLINE HARASSMENT AND MISCONDUCT

This regulation is written and interpreted broadly to include online and cyber manifestations of any of the behaviors prohibited below, when those behaviors occur in or have an effect on Eastern Arizona College's educational program and activities or use the College networks, technology, or equipment.

While the College may not control websites, social media, and other venues in which harassing communications are made, when such communications are reported to the College, the College will engage in a variety of means to address and mitigate the effects. Any online postings or other electronic communication by students and employees, including cyber-bullying, cyber-stalking, cyber-harassment, etc., occurring completely outside of the College's control (e.g., not on Eastern Arizona College networks, websites, or between Eastern Arizona College email accounts) will be subject to this regulation when such online conduct can be shown to cause a substantial in-program disruption to the student's educational pursuit of the College's educational programs and/or activities.

Off-campus harassing speech by employees, whether online or in person, may be regulated by the College only when such speech is made in an employee's official or work-related capacity, including where the speaker presents themselves as an employee of Eastern Arizona College. Otherwise, such communications are considered speech protected by the First Amendment. Supportive measures for Complainants will be provided, but protected speech will not be subjected to discipline.

TITLE IX SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR), and the State of Arizona regard Sexual Harassment, a specific form of discriminatory harassment, as an unlawful discriminatory practice.

For Title IX complaints, Eastern Arizona College has adopted the following definition of Sexual Harassment in order to address the unique environment of an academic community, which consists not only of employer and employees, but of students as well.

Acts of sexual harassment may be committed by any person upon any other person, regardless of the sex, sexual orientation, and/or gender identity of those involved.

Sexual Harassment, as an umbrella category, includes the offenses of sexual harassment/discrimination, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, and is defined as:

Conduct on the basis of sex that satisfies one or more of the following:

1. Quid Pro Quo:

- a. an employee of Eastern Arizona College,
- b. conditions the provision of an aid, benefit, or service of Eastern Arizona College,
- c. on an individual's participation in unwelcome sexual conduct.

2. Sexual Harassment:

- a. unwelcome conduct,
- b. determined by a reasonable person,
- c. to be so severe, and
- d. pervasive, and,
- e. objectively offensive,
- f. that it effectively denies a person equal access to Eastern Arizona College's educational program or activity. Severity, pervasiveness, and objective offensiveness are evaluated based on the totality of the circumstances from the perspective of a reasonable person in the same or similar circumstances ("in the shoes of the Complainant"), including the context in which the alleged incident occurred and any similar, previous patterns that may be evidenced.

3. Sexual assault, defined as:

- a. Sex Offenses, Forcible:
 - i. Any sexual act directed against another person,
 - ii. without the consent of the Complainant,
 - iii. including instances in which the Complainant is incapable of giving consent.

b. Forcible Rape:

- i. Penetration,
- ii. no matter how slight,
- iii. of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or
- iv. oral penetration by a sex organ of another person,
- v. without the consent of the Complainant.

c. Forcible Sodomy:

- i. Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person,
- ii. forcibly
- iii. and/or against that person's will (non-consensually), or
- iv. not forcibly or against the person's will in instances in which the Complainant is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

d. Sexual Assault with an Object:

- i. The use of an object or instrument to penetrate,
- ii. however slightly,
- iii. the genital or anal opening of the body of another person,
- iv. forcibly,
- v. and/or against that person's will (non-consensually),
- vi. or not forcibly or against the person's will in instances in which the Complainant is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

e. Forcible Fondling:

- i. The touching of the private body parts of another person (buttocks, groin, breasts),
- ii. for the purpose of sexual gratification,
- iii. forcibly,
- iv. and/or against that person's will (non-consensually),
- v. or not forcibly or against the person's will in instances in which the Complainant is incapable of giving consent because of age or because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

f. Sex Offenses, Non-forcible:

- i. Incest:
 - 1) Non-forcible sexual intercourse,
 - 2) Between people who are related to each other,
 - 3) Within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by Arizona law.
- ii. Statutory Rape:
 - 1) Non-forcible sexual intercourse,
 - 2) With a person who is under the Arizona statutory age of consent, which is the age of 18 years old.

4. Dating Violence, defined as:

- a. violence,
- b. on the basis of sex,
- c. committed by a person,
- d. who is in or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the Complainant.
 - i. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the Complainant's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purposes of this definition—
 - ii. Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
 - iii. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

5. Domestic Violence, defined as:

- a. violence,
- b. on the basis of sex,
- c. committed by a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the Complainant,
- d. by a person with whom the Complainant shares a child in common, or
- e. by a person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the Complainant as a spouse or intimate partner, or
- f. by a person similarly situated to a spouse of the Complainant under the domestic or family violence laws of the state of Arizona or
- g. by any other person against an adult or youth Complainant who is protected from that person's acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the state of Arizona.

To categorize an incident as Domestic Violence, the relationship between the Respondent and the Complainant must be more than just two people living together as roommates. The people cohabitating must be current or former spouses or have an intimate relationship.

6. Stalking, defined as:

- a. engaging in a course of conduct,
- b. on the basis of sex,
- c. directed at a specific person, that
 - i. would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety, or
 - ii. the safety of others; or
 - iii. suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition—

- Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the Respondent directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property.
- 2) A reasonable person means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the Complainant.
- 3) Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may but does not necessarily require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

EASTERN ARIZONA COLLEGE reserves the right to impose any level of sanction, ranging from a reprimand up to and including suspension or expulsion/termination, for any offense under this regulation.

Force, Coercion, Consent, and Incapacitation

As used in the offenses above, the following definitions and understandings apply:

Force: Force is the use of physical violence and/or physical imposition to gain sexual access. Force also includes threats, intimidation (implied threats), and coercion that is intended to overcome resistance or produce consent.

Sexual activity that is forced is, by definition, non-consensual, but non-consensual sexual activity is not necessarily forced. Silence or the absence of resistance alone is not consent. Consent is not demonstrated by the absence of resistance. While resistance is not required or necessary, it is a clear demonstration of non-consent.

Coercion: Coercion is <u>unreasonable</u> pressure for sexual activity. Coercive conduct differs from seductive conduct based on factors such as the type and/or extent of the pressure used to obtain consent. When someone makes clear that they do not want to engage in certain sexual activity, that they want to stop, or that they do not want to go past a certain point of sexual interaction, continued pressure beyond that point can be coercive.

Consent is:

- knowing, and
- voluntary, and
- clear permission
- by word or action
- to engage in sexual activity.

Since individuals may experience the same interaction in different ways, it is the responsibility of each party to determine that the other has consented before engaging in the activity.

If consent is not clearly provided prior to engaging in the activity, consent may be ratified by word or action at some point during the interaction or thereafter, but clear communication from the outset is strongly encouraged.

For consent to be valid, there must be a clear expression in words or actions that the other individual consented to that specific sexual conduct. Reasonable reciprocation can be implied. For example, if

someone kisses you, you can kiss them back (if you want to) without the need to explicitly obtain *their* consent to being kissed back.

Consent can also be withdrawn once given, as long as the withdrawal is reasonably and clearly communicated. If consent is withdrawn, that sexual activity should cease.

Consent to some sexual contact (such as kissing or fondling) cannot be presumed to be consent for other sexual activity (such as intercourse). A current or previous intimate relationship is not sufficient to constitute consent.

Proof of consent or non-consent is not a burden placed on either party involved in an incident. Instead, the burden remains on Eastern Arizona College to determine whether its policy and/or regulation has been violated. The existence of consent is based on the totality of the circumstances evaluated from the perspective of a reasonable person in the same or similar circumstances, including the context in which the alleged incident occurred and any similar, previous patterns that may be evidenced.

Incapacitation: A person cannot consent if they are unable to understand what is happening or is disoriented, helpless, asleep, or unconscious, for any reason, including by alcohol or other drugs. As stated above, a Respondent violates this regulation if they engage in sexual activity with someone who is incapable of giving consent.

It is a defense to a sexual assault regulation violation that the Respondent neither knew nor should have known the Complainant to be physically or mentally incapacitated. "Should have known" is an objective, reasonable person standard, which assumes that a reasonable person is both sober and exercising sound judgment.

Incapacitation occurs when someone cannot make rational, reasonable decisions because they lack the capacity to give knowing/informed consent (e.g., to understand the "who, what, when, where, why, or how" of their sexual interaction).

Incapacitation is determined through consideration of all relevant indicators of an individual's state and is not synonymous with intoxication, impairment, blackout, and/or being drunk.

This regulation also covers a person whose incapacity results from a temporary or permanent physical or mental health condition, involuntary physical restraint, and/or the consumption of incapacitating drugs.

RETALIATION

Protected activity under this regulation includes reporting an incident that may implicate this regulation, participating in the grievance process, supporting a Complainant or Respondent, assisting in providing information relevant to an investigation, and/or acting in good faith to oppose conduct that constitutes a violation of this Regulation.

Acts of alleged retaliation should be reported immediately to the Title IX Coordinator and will be promptly investigated. Eastern Arizona College is prepared to take appropriate steps to protect individuals who fear that they may be subjected to retaliation.

It is prohibited for Eastern Arizona College or any member of the College's community to take materially adverse action by intimidating, threatening, coercing, harassing, or discriminating against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by law, policy or regulation, or because the individual has made a report or complaint, testified, assisted, or participated or refused to participate in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this regulation and procedure.

Charges against an individual for code of conduct violations that do not involve sex discrimination or sexual harassment but arise out of the same facts or circumstances as a report or complaint of sex discrimination, or a report or complaint of sexual harassment, for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX, constitutes retaliation.

The following do not constitute retaliation under this regulation:

- 1. The exercise of rights protected under the First Amendment.
- Charging an individual with a code of conduct violation for making a materially false statement in bad faith in the course of a grievance proceeding under this regulation and procedure. A determination regarding responsibility alone is not sufficient to conclude that any party has made a materially false statement in bad faith.

WHEN A COMPLAINANT DOES NOT WISH TO PROCEED

If a Complainant does not wish for their name to be shared, does not wish for an investigation to take place, or does not want a formal complaint to be pursued, they may make such a request to the Title IX Coordinator, who will evaluate that request within the College's duty to ensure the safety of the campus and to comply with state or federal law.

The Title IX Coordinator has discretion over whether the College proceeds when the Complainant does not wish to do so. The Title IX Coordinator may sign a formal complaint to initiate a grievance process upon the decision that there is a compelling risk to health and/or safety that requires the College to pursue formal action to protect the community.

When the Title IX Coordinator executes the written complaint, they do not become the Complainant. The Complainant is the individual who is alleged to be the victim of conduct that could constitute a violation of this regulation.

When the College proceeds, the Complainant (or their Advisor) may have as much or as little involvement in the process as they wish. The Complainant retains all rights of a Complainant under this Regulation irrespective of their level of participation. Typically, when the Complainant chooses not to participate, an Advisor may be appointed as proxy for the Complainant throughout the process, acting to ensure and protect the rights of the Complainant. The goal is to provide the Complainant with as much control over the process as possible, while balancing the College's obligation to protect its community.

If the Complainant elects to take no action, they can change that decision if they decide to pursue a formal complaint at a later date. Upon making a formal complaint, a Complainant has the right, and can expect, to have allegations taken seriously by Eastern Arizona College, and to have the incidents investigated and properly resolved through these procedures.

FEDERAL TIMELY WARNING OBLIGATIONS

Parties reporting sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and/or stalking should be aware that under the Clery Act, Eastern Arizona College must issue timely warnings for incidents reported to them that pose a serious or continuing threat of bodily harm or danger to members of the campus community.

The College will ensure that a Complainant's name and other identifying information is not disclosed, while still providing enough information for community members to make safety decisions in light of the potential danger.

FALSE ALLEGATIONS AND EVIDENCE

Deliberately false and/or malicious accusations under this regulation, as opposed to allegations which, even if erroneous, are made in good faith, are a serious offense and will be referred to either the student code of conduct or employee conduct policies for appropriate disciplinary action.

Additionally, witnesses and parties who knowingly provide false evidence, tamper with, or destroy evidence after being directed to preserve such evidence, or deliberately mislead an investigator or hearing decision-maker will be subject to discipline under the appropriate student or employee policy/regulation.

AMNESTY FOR COMPLAINANTS AND WITNESSES

Eastern Arizona College community encourages the reporting of misconduct and crimes by Complainants and witnesses. Sometimes, Complainants or witnesses are hesitant to report to College officials or participate in grievance processes because they fear that they themselves may be in violation of certain policies, such as underage drinking or use of illicit drugs at the time of the incident. Respondents may hesitate to be forthcoming during the process for the same reasons.

It is in the best interests of the College community that Complainants choose to report misconduct to College officials, that witnesses come forward to share what they know, and that all parties be forthcoming during the process. To encourage reporting and participation in the process, Eastern Arizona College maintains a policy of offering parties and witnesses amnesty from minor regulation violations – such as underage consumption of alcohol or the use of illicit drugs – related to the incident being reported.

Amnesty does not apply to more serious allegations such as physical abuse of another or illicit drug distribution. The decision not to offer amnesty to a Respondent is based on neither sex nor gender, but on the fact that collateral misconduct is typically addressed for all students within a progressive discipline system, and the rationale for amnesty – the incentive to report serious misconduct – is rarely applicable to a Respondent with respect to a Complainant.

Eastern Arizona College maintains a policy of amnesty for students who offer help to others in need. While regulation violations cannot be overlooked, the College may provide purely educational options with no official disciplinary finding, rather than punitive sanctions, to those who offer their assistance to others in need.

FEDERAL STATISTICAL REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

Certain campus officials – those deemed Campus Security Authorities – have a duty to report the following for federal statistical reporting purposes (Clery Act):

- 1. All "primary crimes," which include homicide, sexual assault, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, and arson.
- 2. Hate crimes, which include any bias motivated primary crime as well as any bias motivated larceny or theft, simple assault, intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property.
- 3. VAWA based crimes, which include sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking (VAWA is the Violence Against Women Act, enacted in 1994 codified in part at 42 U.S.C. sections 13701 through 14040); and
- 4. Arrests and referrals for disciplinary action for weapons-related law violations, liquor-related law violations, and drug abuse-related law violations.

All personally identifiable information is kept private, but statistical information must be passed along to campus law enforcement regarding the type of incident and its general location (on or off-campus or in the surrounding area, but no addresses are given) for publication in the Annual Security Report and daily campus crime log.

Campus Security Authorities include the president, vice-presidents, student affairs/student conduct staff, campus law enforcement/public safety, local police, coaches, athletic directors, student activities staff, human resources staff, advisors to student organizations, and any other official with significant responsibility for student and campus activities.

REGULATION

1. Regulation Overview

Eastern Arizona College will act on any formal or informal notice/complaint of violation of this Title IX Sexual Harassment Regulation 2075.01 ("the Regulation") that is received by the Title IX Coordinator or any other Official with Authority by applying these procedures.

The procedures below apply <u>only</u> to qualifying allegations of sexual harassment as defined by Title IX (including sexual assault, dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking, as defined above) involving students, staff, administrators, or faculty members. Allegations of sexual harassment and discrimination that does not meet the requirements of Title IX, 34 CFR Part 106.30, may be referred to the Student Life Office (for alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct) or to the Human Resources Department (for alleged violations of Human Resources Policies).

2. Notice/Complaint

Upon receipt of a complaint or notice to the Title IX Coordinator of an alleged violation of this Regulation, the College will initiate a prompt initial assessment to determine the next steps. The College will initiate at least one of three responses:

- a. Offering supportive measures because the Complainant does not want to proceed formally.
- b. Offering supportive measures and initiating an informal resolution; or
- c. Offering supportive measures and initiating a Formal Grievance Process including an investigation and a hearing to determine whether or not the Regulation has been violated.

3. Initial Assessment

Following receipt of notice or a complaint of an alleged violation of this Regulation, the Title IX Coordinator (or designee) engages in an initial assessment, which is typically one (1) to five (5) business days in duration.

4. Emergency Removal

In the event an emergency removal is considered, the Title IX Coordinator will follow the procedures outlined in Section VIII of this regulation.

5. <u>Dismissal (Mandatory and Discretionary)</u>

Mandatory Dismissal: The Title IX Coordinator <u>must</u> dismiss a formal complaint or any allegations therein if, at any time during the investigation or hearing, it is determined that:

- a. The conduct alleged in the formal complaint would not constitute sexual harassment as defined in the regulation hereinabove, even if proved; and/or
- b. The conduct did not occur in an educational program or activity controlled by the College (including buildings or property controlled by recognized student organizations), and/or the College does not have control of the Respondent; and/or
- c. The conduct did not occur against a person in the United States; and/or
- d. At the time of filing a formal complaint, a Complainant is not participating in or attempting to participate in the educational program or activity of the College.

Discretionary Dismissal: The Title IX Coordinator <u>may</u> choose to dismiss a formal complaint or any allegations therein if, at any time during the investigation or hearing:

- 1. A Complainant notifies the Title IX Coordinator in writing that the Complainant would like to withdraw the formal complaint or any allegations therein. A Complainant who decides to withdraw a complaint may later request to reinstate it or refile it; or
- 2. The Respondent is no longer enrolled in or employed by Eastern Arizona College; or
- 3. Specific circumstances prevent the College from gathering evidence sufficient to reach a determination as to the formal complaint or allegations therein.

Upon any dismissal, the College will promptly send written notice of the dismissal and the rationale for doing so simultaneously to the parties.

Discretionary dismissal decisions may be appealed by any party under the procedures for appeal

below.

6. Counterclaims

The College is obligated to ensure that the grievance process is not abused for retaliatory purposes. The College permits the filing of counterclaims but uses an initial assessment, described above, to assess whether the allegations in the counterclaim are made in good faith. Counterclaims made with retaliatory intent will not be permitted and may constitute a violation of this regulation.

Counterclaims determined to have been reported in good faith will be processed using the grievance procedures below. Investigation of such claims may take place after resolution of the underlying initial allegation, in which case a delay may occur.

Counterclaims may also be resolved through the same investigation as the underlying allegation, at the discretion of the Title IX Coordinator.

7. Right to an Advisor

The parties may each have an Advisor of their choice. The Advisor may be a friend, mentor, family member, attorney, or any other individual a party chooses to advise, support, and/or consult with them throughout the resolution process. The parties may choose Advisors from inside or outside of the College community. The Advisor may be present with the Complainant or Respondent for all of their meetings and interviews within the resolution process if they so choose.

The parties may select whomever they wish to serve as their Advisor as long as the Advisor is eligible and available. "Available" means the party cannot insist on an Advisor who simply does not have inclination, time, or availability. Also, the Advisor cannot have institutionally conflicting roles, such as being a Title IX administrator who has an active role in the matter, or a supervisor who must monitor and implement sanctions.

Choosing an Advisor who is also a witness in the process creates potential for bias and conflict-of-interest. A party who chooses an Advisor who is also a witness can anticipate that issues of potential bias will be explored by the hearing Decision-maker.

If the parties choose an Advisor from the pool available from the College, the Advisor will be trained by the College and be familiar with Eastern Arizona College's resolution process. If the parties choose an Advisor from outside the pool of those identified by the College, the Advisor may not have been trained by the College and may not be familiar with Eastern Arizona College policies, regulations, and procedures.

Parties also have the right to choose not to have an Advisor in the initial stages of the resolution process, prior to a hearing.

a. Advisors in Hearings/Eastern Arizona College-Appointed Advisor

Under U.S. Department of Education regulations applicable to Title IX, cross-examination is required during the hearing, but must be conducted by the parties' Advisors. The parties are not permitted to

directly cross-examine each other or any witnesses. If a party does not have an Advisor for a hearing, the College will appoint a trained Advisor for the limited purpose of conducting any direct and cross-examination.

A party may reject this appointment and choose their own Advisor, but they may not proceed without an Advisor. If the party's Advisor will not conduct cross-examination, the College will appoint an Advisor who will do so thoroughly, regardless of the participation or non-participation of the advised party in the hearing itself. Extensive questioning of the parties and witnesses may also be conducted by the Decision-maker during the hearing.

b. Pre-Interview Meetings

Advisors may request to meet with the administrative officials conducting interviews/meetings in advance of these interviews or meetings. This pre-meeting allows Advisors to clarify and understand their role and the College's policies and procedures.

c. Advisor Violations of Eastern Arizona College Regulation

All Advisors are subject to the same College policies and procedures, whether they are attorneys or not. Advisors are expected to advise without disrupting proceedings. Advisors may not address College officials in a meeting or interview unless invited to (e.g., asking procedural questions). The Advisor may not make a presentation or represent their advisee during any meeting or proceeding and may not speak on behalf of the advisee to the Investigator(s) or other Decision-maker except during a hearing proceeding, during cross-examination.

The parties are expected to ask and respond to questions on their own behalf throughout the investigation phase of the resolution process. Although the Advisor generally may not speak on behalf of their advisee, the Advisor may consult with their advisee, either privately as needed, or by conferring or passing notes during any resolution process meeting or interview. For longer or more involved discussions, the parties and their Advisors should ask for breaks to allow for private consultation.

Any Advisor who oversteps their role as defined by this regulation will be warned only once. If the Advisor continues to disrupt or otherwise fails to respect the limits of the Advisor role, the meeting will be ended, or other appropriate measures implemented. Subsequently, the Title IX Coordinator will determine how to address the Advisor's non-compliance and future role.

d. Sharing Information with the Advisor

Parties may share documentation and evidentiary information directly with their Advisor or other individuals if they wish. Doing so may help the parties participate more meaningfully in the resolution process.

The College also provides a consent form that authorizes the College to share such information directly with their Advisor. The parties must either complete and submit this form to the Title IX Coordinator or provide similar documentation demonstrating consent to a release of information to the Advisor before the College is able to share records with an Advisor.

If a party requests that all communication be made solely through their attorney Advisor, the College will be unable to do this as it voids the College's ability to comply with direction from regulatory agencies.

e. Privacy of Records Shared with Advisor

Advisors are expected to maintain the privacy of the records shared with them. These records may not be shared with third parties, disclosed publicly, or used for purposes not explicitly authorized by the College. The College may seek to restrict the role of any Advisor who does not respect the sensitive nature of the process or who fails to abide by the College's privacy expectations.

f. Expectations of an Advisor

The College generally expects an Advisor to adjust their schedule to allow them to attend scheduled College meetings when planned. At the sole discretion of the Title IX Coordinator, scheduled meetings may be changed to accommodate an

Advisor's inability to attend. Such discretion is limited to determining if doing so does not cause an unreasonable delay. The decision to change meetings dates and times is final.

The College may also make reasonable provisions to allow an Advisor who cannot attend in person to attend a meeting by telephone, video conferencing, or other similar technologies as may be convenient and available.

g. Expectations of the Parties with Respect to Advisors

A party may elect to change Advisors during the process and is not obligated to use the same Advisor throughout. The parties are expected to inform the Investigator(s) of the identity of their Advisor at least two (2) business days before the date of their first meeting with Investigators (or as soon as possible if a more expeditious meeting is necessary or desired).

The parties are expected to provide timely notice to the Title IX Coordinator if they change Advisors at any time. It is assumed that if a party changes Advisors, consent to share information with the previous Advisor is terminated, and a release for the new Advisor must be secured. Parties are expected to inform the Title IX Coordinator of the identity of their hearing Advisor at least two (2) business days before the hearing.

8. Resolution Processes

Resolution proceedings are private. All persons present at any time during the resolution process are expected to maintain the privacy of the proceedings in accordance with this regulation. While there is an expectation of privacy around what Investigators share with parties during interviews, the parties have discretion to share their own knowledge and evidence with others if they so choose. The College encourages parties to discuss this with their Advisors before doing so.

a. Informal Resolution

Informal Resolution can include four different approaches:

- When the parties agree to resolve the matter through an alternate resolution mechanism, such as mediation.
- When the parties agree to resolve the matter by entering into an Informal Resolution Agreement.
- When the Respondent accepts responsibility for violating policy and/or regulation, and desires to accept a sanction and end the resolution process; or
- When the Title IX Coordinator can resolve the matter informally by providing supportive measures to remedy the situation.

To initiate Informal Resolution, a Complainant needs to submit a formal complaint, as defined above. If a Respondent wishes to initiate Informal Resolution, they should contact the Title IX Coordinator to so indicate.

It is not necessary to pursue Informal Resolution first in order to pursue a Formal Grievance Process, and any party participating in Informal Resolution can stop the process at any time and begin or resume the Formal Grievance Process.

Prior to implementing an Informal Resolution, the College will provide the parties with written notice of the reported misconduct and any sanctions or measures that may result from participating in such a process, including information regarding any records that will be maintained or shared by the College.

The College will obtain voluntary, written confirmation that all parties wish to resolve the matter through Informal Resolution before proceeding and will not pressure the parties to participate in Informal Resolution.

9. Formal Grievance Process

The Formal Grievance Process relies on a team of administrators ("the Team") to carry out the process. Members of the Team are announced in an annual distribution of this Regulation to all students, parents/guardians of students, employees, prospective students, and prospective employees. They are also listed in the Annual Title IX Report published by the Title IX Office.

10. Formal Grievance Process: Notice of Investigation and Allegations

The Title IX Coordinator will provide written notice of the investigation and allegations (the "NOIA") to the Respondent upon commencement of the Formal Grievance Process. This facilitates the Respondent's ability to prepare for the interview and to identify and choose an Advisor to accompany them. The NOIA is also copied to the Complainant, who is to be given advance notice of when the NOIA will be delivered to the Respondent.

The NOIA will include:

- A meaningful summary of all of the allegations.
- The identity of the involved parties (if known).
- The precise misconduct being alleged.
- The date and location of the alleged incident(s) (if known).
- The specific policies and/or regulations implicated.
- A description of the applicable procedures.

- A statement of the potential sanctions/responsive actions that could result.
- A statement that the College presumes the Respondent is not responsible for the reported misconduct unless and until the evidence supports a different determination.
- A statement that determinations of responsibility are made at the conclusion of the process and that the parties will be given an opportunity to inspect and review all directly related and/or relevant evidence obtained during the review and comment period.
- A statement about the College's Regulation on retaliation.
- Information about the privacy of the process.
- Information on the need for each party to have an Advisor of their choosing and suggestions for ways to identify an Advisor.
- A statement informing the parties that the College's Regulation prohibits knowingly making false statements, including knowingly submitting false information during the resolution process.
- Detail on how the party may request disability accommodations during the interview process.
- A suggested date and time for an initial meeting (proper time will be given to allow for the selection of an advisor)
- The name(s) and contact information of the individual(s) from the Grievance Process Team that will conduct the investigation.
- Information on raising concerns with regard to a conflict of interest or bias by the Investigator(s) or the Title IX Coordinator.
- An instruction to preserve any evidence that is directly related to the allegations.

Amendments and updates to the NOIA may be made as the investigation progresses and more information becomes available regarding the addition or dismissal of various charges.

Notice will be made in writing and may be delivered by one or more of the following methods: in person, mailed to the local or permanent address(es) of the parties as indicated in official College records, or emailed to the parties' College-issued email or designated accounts. Once mailed, emailed, and/or received in-person, notice will be presumptively delivered.

11. Resolution Timeline

The College will make a good faith effort to complete the resolution process within a sixty-to-ninety (60-90) business day time period, including appeal, which can be extended as necessary for appropriate cause by the Title IX Coordinator, who will provide notice and rationale for any extensions or delays to the parties as appropriate, as well as an estimate of how much additional time will be needed to complete the process.

Any time the general timeframes for resolution outlined in College procedures will be delayed, the College will provide written notice to the parties of the delay, the cause of the delay, and an estimate of the anticipated additional time that will be needed as a result of the delay.

12. Appointment of Investigators

Once the decision to commence a formal investigation is made, the Title IX Coordinator shall appoint a team of two (2) investigators to investigate the allegations. Appointment of investigators typically occurs within two (2) business days of determining that an investigation should proceed.

13. **Ensuring Impartiality**

Any individual materially involved in the administration of the resolution process may neither have nor demonstrate a conflict of interest or bias for a party generally, or for a specific Complainant or Respondent. The parties may, at any time during the resolution process, contact the Title IX Coordinator to raise a concern regarding bias or conflict of interest. The Title IX Coordinator will ensure impartiality by ensuring there are no actual or apparent conflicts of interest or disqualifying biases. To raise any concern involving bias or conflict of interest by the Title IX Coordinator, the parties may contact the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs.

The Formal Grievance Process involves an objective evaluation of all relevant inculpatory and exculpatory evidence obtained. Credibility determinations may not be based solely on an individual's status or participation as a Complainant, Respondent, or witness.

The College operates with the presumption that the Respondent is not responsible for the reported misconduct unless and until the Respondent is determined to be responsible for a regulation violation by the applicable preponderance of the evidence standard.

14. Delays in the Investigation Process and Interactions with Law Enforcement

The College may undertake a short delay in its investigation if circumstances require. Such circumstances include but are not limited to a request from law enforcement to temporarily delay the investigation, the need for language assistance, the absence of parties and/or witnesses, and/or accommodations for disabilities or health conditions.

The College will communicate in writing the anticipated duration of the delay and reason to the parties and provide the parties with status updates if necessary. The College will promptly resume its investigation and resolution process as soon as feasible. During such a delay, the College will implement as deemed appropriate.

College action(s) are not typically altered or precluded on the grounds that civil or criminal charges involving the underlying incident(s) have been filed or that criminal charges have been dismissed or reduced.

15. The Investigation Process

All investigations will be thorough, reliable, impartial, prompt, and fair. Investigations involve interviews with all relevant parties and witnesses; obtaining available, relevant evidence; and identifying sources of expert information, as necessary.

All parties will have a full and fair opportunity, through the investigation process, to suggest witnesses and questions, to provide evidence and expert witnesses, and to fully review and respond to all evidence on the record.

16. Role and Participation of Witnesses in the Investigation

Witnesses (as distinguished from the parties) who are employees of Eastern Arizona College are expected to cooperate with and participate in the College's investigation and resolution process. Failure of such witnesses to cooperate with and/or participate in the investigation or resolution process constitutes a violation of regulation and may warrant discipline.

While in-person interviews for parties and all potential witnesses are ideal, circumstances (e.g., study abroad, summer break) may require individuals to be interviewed remotely. Skype, Zoom, FaceTime, WebEx, or similar technologies may be used for interviews if the Investigator(s) determine that timeliness or efficiency dictate a need for remote interviewing. The College will take appropriate steps to reasonably ensure the security/privacy of remote interviews.

Witnesses may also provide written statements in addition to being interviewed.

17. Recording of Interviews

No audio or video recording of any kind is permitted during investigation meetings, except for recordings initiated by the College.

18. <u>Evidentiary Considerations in the Investigation</u>

The investigation does not consider:

- A. Incidents not directly related to the possible violation unless they evidence a pattern.
- B. the character of the parties; or
- C. questions and evidence about the Complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior, unless such questions and evidence about the Complainant's prior sexual behavior are offered to prove that someone other than the Respondent committed the conduct alleged by the Complainant, or if the questions and evidence concern specific incidents of the Complainant's prior sexual behavior with respect to the Respondent and are offered to prove consent.

19. Referral for Hearing

Provided that the complaint is not resolved through Informal Resolution, once the final investigation report is shared with the parties, the Title IX Coordinator will refer the matter for a hearing.

The hearing cannot be less than ten (10) business days from the conclusion of the investigation, when the final investigation report is made available to the Parties and the Decision-maker for review and comment, unless all parties <u>and</u> the Decision-maker agree to an expedited timeline. This agreement must be in writing.

The Title IX Coordinator will select a Decision-maker that to be hired from a list of approved attorneys for any hearing held under the Title IX Regulation.

20. <u>Hearing Decision-maker Composition</u>

The College will designate a single Decision-maker. The single Decision-maker will also Chair the hearing. The Decision-maker will not have had any previous involvement with the investigation. The Decision-maker is an out-sourced position that will have had no previous involvement in the matter at hand.

21. Evidentiary Considerations in the Hearing

Any evidence that the Decision-maker determines is relevant and credible may be considered. The hearing does not consider:

- A. Incidents not directly related to the possible violation unless they evidence a pattern.
- B. the character of the parties; or
- C. questions and evidence about the Complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior, unless such questions and evidence about the Complainant's prior sexual behavior are offered to prove that someone other than the Respondent committed the conduct alleged by the Complainant, or if the questions and evidence concern specific incidents of the Complainant's prior sexual behavior with respect to the Respondent and are offered to prove consent.

Previous disciplinary action of any kind involving the Respondent may be considered in determining an appropriate sanction upon a determination of responsibility. This information is only considered at the sanction stage of the process.

The parties, if they so choose, may submit a written impact statement prior to the hearing for the consideration of the Decision-maker at the sanction stage of the process when a determination of responsibility is reached.

After post-hearing deliberation, the Decision-maker renders a determination based on the preponderance of the evidence--whether it is more likely than not that the Respondent violated the Policy/Regulation as alleged.

22. Notice of Hearing

No less than ten (10) business days prior to the hearing, the Title IX Coordinator will send notice of the hearing to the parties. Once mailed, emailed, and/or received in-person, notice will be presumptively delivered.

The notice will contain:

- A description of the alleged violation(s), a list of all policies allegedly violated, a description of the applicable procedures, and a statement of the potential sanctions/responsive actions that could result.
- The time, date, and location of the hearing and a reminder that attendance is mandatory, superseding all other campus activities.
- Any technology that will be used to facilitate the hearing.
- A list of all those who will attend the hearing, along with an invitation to object to any Decision-maker on the basis of demonstrated bias. This must be raised with the Title IX Coordinator at least two (2) business days prior to the hearing.
- Information on how the hearing will be recorded and on access to the recording for the parties

- after the hearing.
- A statement that if any party or witness does not appear at the scheduled hearing, the hearing may be held in their absence.
- Notification that the parties may have the assistance of an Advisor of their choosing at the
 hearing and will be required to have one present for any questions they may desire to ask. The
 party must notify the Title IX Coordinator if they do not have an Advisor, and the College will
 appoint one. Each party must have an Advisor present. There are no exceptions.
- A copy of all the materials provided to the Decision-maker about the matter unless they have been provided already.
- An invitation to each party to submit to the Decision-maker an impact statement pre-hearing that the Decision-maker will review during any sanction determination.
- An invitation to contact the Title IX Coordinator to arrange any disability accommodations, language assistance, and/or interpretation services that may be needed at the hearing, at least seven (7) business days prior to the hearing.
- Direction that the parties may not bring mobile phones/devices into the hearing.

Hearings for possible violations that occur near or after the end of an academic term (assuming the Respondent is still subject to this Regulation) and are unable to be resolved prior to the end of term will typically be held immediately after the end of the term or during the summer, as needed, to meet the resolution timeline followed by the College and remain within the 60-90 business day goal for resolution.

In these cases, if the Respondent is a graduating student, a hold may be placed on graduation and/or official transcripts until the matter is fully resolved (including any appeal). A student facing charges under this Regulation is not in good standing to graduate.

23. <u>Virtual Hearings</u>

All hearings will occur virtually. The Title IX Coordinator will arrange to use technology to allow remote testimony without compromising the fairness of the hearing. Typically, each party will be located in a separate room from the Decision-maker but will be able to see and hear each other.

24. <u>Pre-Hearing Preparation</u>

The Decision-maker, or designee, after any necessary consultation with the parties, Investigator(s) and/or Title IX Coordinator, will provide the names of persons who will be participating in the hearing, all pertinent documentary evidence, and the final investigation report to the parties at least ten (10) business days prior to the hearing. During the ten (10) business day period prior to the hearing, the parties have the opportunity to review and comment on the final investigation report and available evidence.

The Decision-maker, or designee, will also provide the parties with a copy of the pre-hearing preparation checklist/document. A copy of the pre-hearing preparation checklist/document may be found on the College's Title IX webpage: https://eac.edu/about/title-ix/index.php.

25. **Hearing Procedures**

At the hearing, the Decision-maker has the authority to hear and make determinations on all allegations of sexual harassment and/or retaliation and may also hear and make determinations on any additional

alleged regulation violations that have occurred in concert with the discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation, even though those collateral allegations may not specifically fall within the Title IX Regulation.

Participants at the hearing will include the Decision-maker, the hearing facilitator, the Investigator(s) who conducted the investigation, the parties, Advisors to the parties, any called witnesses, the Title IX Coordinator and anyone providing authorized accommodations or assistive services.

The Decision-maker will answer all questions of procedure. Anyone appearing at the hearing to provide information will respond to questions on their own behalf.

The Decision-maker will allow witnesses who have relevant information to appear at a portion of the hearing in order to respond to specific questions from the Decision-maker and the parties and will then be excused.

26. Joint Hearings

In hearings involving more than one Respondent or in which two (2) or more Complainants have accused the same individual of substantially similar conduct, the default procedure will be to hear the allegations jointly. However, the Title IX Coordinator may permit the investigation and/or hearings pertinent to each Respondent to be conducted separately if there is a compelling reason to do so. In joint hearings, separate determinations of responsibility will be made for each Respondent with respect to each alleged regulation violation.

27. Refusal to Submit to Cross-Examination and Inferences

The Decision-maker may not draw any inference <u>solely</u> from a party's or witness's absence from the hearing or refusal to answer cross-examination or other questions.

If charges of policy/regulation violations other than sexual harassment are considered at the same hearing, the Decision-maker may consider all evidence it deems relevant.

If a party's Advisor of choice refuses to comply with the College's established rules of decorum for the hearing, the College may require the party to use a different Advisor. If a College-provided Advisor refuses to comply with the rules of decorum, the College may provide that party with a different Advisor to conduct cross-examination on behalf of that party.

28. Recording Hearings

Hearings (but not deliberations) will be recorded by the College for purposes of review in the event of an appeal. The parties may not record the proceedings and no other unauthorized recordings are permitted.

The Decision-maker, the parties, their Advisors, and appropriate administrators of the College will be permitted to listen to the recording in a controlled environment determined by the Title IX Coordinator. No person will be given or be allowed to make a copy of the recording.

29. <u>Deliberation, Decision-making, and Standard of Proof</u>

The Decision-maker will deliberate in closed session to determine whether the Respondent is responsible or not responsible for the policy/regulation violation(s) in question. The preponderance of the evidence standard of proof is used.

When there is a finding of responsibility for one or more of the allegations, the Decision-maker may then consider the previously submitted party impact statements in determining appropriate sanction(s).

The Decision-maker will ensure that each of the parties has an opportunity to review any impact statement submitted by the other party(ies). The Decision-maker may – at their discretion – consider the statements, but they are not binding.

The Decision-maker will review the statements and any pertinent conduct history provided by the investigator(s) and will determine the appropriate sanction(s) in consultation with other appropriate administrators, as required.

The Decision-maker will then prepare a written deliberation statement and deliver it to the Title IX Coordinator, detailing the determination, rationale, the evidence used in support of its determination, the evidence disregarded, credibility assessments, and any sanctions. This report typically should not exceed three (3) to five (5) pages in length and must be submitted electronically to the Title IX Coordinator within two (2) business days of the end of deliberations, unless the Title IX Coordinator grants an extension. If an extension is granted, the Title IX Coordinator will notify the parties in writing of the extension.

30. Notice of Outcome

Using the deliberation statement, the Title IX Coordinator will work with the Decision-maker to prepare a Notice of Outcome (NOO). The Title IX Coordinator will then share the NOO, including the final determination, rationale, and any applicable sanction(s) with the parties and their Advisors within five (5) business days of receiving the Decision-maker's deliberation statement.

The Notice of Outcome letter will specify the finding on each alleged policy violation; the findings of fact that support the determination; conclusions regarding the application of the relevant policy to the facts at issue; and a statement of, and rationale for, the resulting decision. The Notice of Outcome will also include information on the relevant procedures and bases for any available appeal options. The Notice of Outcome will be shared with the parties simultaneously.

Notification will be made in writing and may be delivered by one or more of the following methods: in person, mailed to the local or permanent address of the parties as indicated in official College records, or emailed to the parties' College-issued email or otherwise approved account. Once mailed, emailed, and/or received in-person, notice will be presumptively delivered.

31. <u>Sanctions</u>

Factors considered when determining a sanction/responsive action may include, but are not limited to:

- The nature, severity of, and circumstances surrounding the violation(s).
- The Respondent's disciplinary history.
- Previous allegations or allegations involving similar conduct.
- The need for sanctions/responsive actions to bring an end to the discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation.
- The need for sanctions/responsive actions to prevent the future recurrence of

- discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation.
- The need to remedy the effects of the discrimination, harassment, and/or retaliation on the Complainant and the community.
- And/or any other information deemed relevant by the Decision-maker.

The sanctions will be implemented as soon as is feasible, either upon the outcome of any appeal or the expiration of the window to appeal without an appeal being requested.

The sanctions described in this Regulation are not exclusive to, and may be in addition to, other actions taken, or sanctions imposed by external authorities.

a. Student Sanctions

The following are the usual sanctions that may be imposed upon students or organizations singly or in combination:

- Warning: A formal statement that the conduct was unacceptable and a warning that further
 violation of any College policy, regulation, procedure, or directive will result in more severe
 sanctions/responsive actions. Terms of the warning may include no-contact orders, and/or other
 measures deemed appropriate.
- Required Counseling: A mandate to meet with and engage in external counseling to better comprehend the misconduct and its effects.
- Probation: A written reprimand for violation of institutional policy or regulation, providing for
 more severe disciplinary sanctions in the event that the student or student organization is found
 in violation of any institutional policy, regulation, procedure, or directive within a specified
 period of time. Terms of the probation will be articulated and may include denial of specified
 social privileges, exclusion from co-curricular activities, exclusion from designated areas of
 campus, no-contact orders, and/or other measures deemed appropriate.
- Eviction from Campus Housing: A mandate that the student is required to move out of the residence halls within a specified period of time (the "Effective Date"). Terms of the eviction will be articulated and will include a no trespass notification stating that upon the Effective Date, the student is prohibited from returning to the residence halls and its surrounding areas.
- Deferred Eviction from Campus Housing: In certain circumstances, a deferral of an eviction may
 be imposed, and will include a written reprimand for policy and/or regulation violation(s),
 providing for more severe disciplinary sanctions in the event that the student is found in
 violation of any institutional policy, regulation, procedure, or directive within a specified period
 of time. A deferred eviction may also include denial of specified social privileges, exclusion from
 co-curricular activities, exclusion from designated areas of campus, no-contact orders, and/or
 other measures deemed appropriate.
- Suspension: Termination of student status for a definite period of time not to exceed two years and/or until specific criteria are met. Students who return from suspension are automatically placed on probation through the remainder of their tenure as a student at Eastern Arizona College.
- Expulsion: Permanent termination of student status and revocation of rights to be on campus for any reason or to attend College-sponsored events. This sanction will be noted permanently as a Conduct Expulsion on the student's official transcript.
- Withholding Diploma: The College may withhold a student's diploma for a specified period of time and/or deny a student participation in commencement activities if the student has an

- allegation pending or as a sanction if the student is found responsible for an alleged violation.
- Organizational Sanctions: Deactivation, loss of recognition, loss of some or all privileges (including Eastern Arizona College registration) for a specified period of time.
- Other Actions: In addition to or in place of the above sanctions, the College may assign any other sanctions as deemed appropriate.

b. Employee Sanctions

Responsive actions for an employee who has engaged in harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation include:

- Warning Verbal or Written
- Performance Improvement/Management Process
- Required Counseling
- Required Training or Education
- Probation
- Loss of Annual Pay Increase
- Loss of Oversight or Supervisory Responsibility
- Demotion
- Suspension with pay
- Suspension without pay
- Termination
- Other Actions: In addition to or in place of the above sanctions, the College may assign any other sanctions as deemed appropriate.

32. Withdrawal or Resignation While Charges Pending

<u>Students:</u> If a student has an allegation pending for violation of the Title IX Regulation, the College may place a hold on a student's ability to graduate and/or to receive an official transcript/diploma.

Should a student decide to not participate in the resolution process, the process proceeds absent their participation to a reasonable resolution. Should a student Respondent permanently withdraw from the College, the resolution process ends, as the College no longer has disciplinary jurisdiction over the withdrawn student. A student who withdraws or leaves while the process is pending may not return to the College. Such exclusion applies to all campuses of the College. A hold will be placed on their ability to be readmitted. They may also be barred from College property and/or events.

However, Eastern Arizona College will continue to address and remedy any systemic issues, variables that may have contributed to the alleged violation(s), and any ongoing effects of the alleged harassment, discrimination, and/or retaliation.

During the resolution process, Eastern Arizona College may put a hold on a responding student's transcript or place a notation on a responding student's transcript that a disciplinary matter is pending.

<u>Employees:</u> Should an employee Respondent resign with unresolved allegations pending, the resolution process ends, as the College no longer has disciplinary jurisdiction over the resigned employee. The employee who resigns with unresolved allegations pending is not eligible for rehire with Eastern Arizona College, and the records retained by the Title IX Coordinator will reflect that status.

However, Eastern Arizona College will continue to address and remedy any systemic issues, variables that contributed to the alleged violation(s), and any ongoing effects of the alleged harassment or discrimination.

All Eastern Arizona College responses to future inquiries regarding employment references for that individual will include that the former employee resigned during a pending disciplinary matter.

33. Appeals

Any party may file a request for appeal ("Request for Appeal"), but it must be submitted in writing to the Title IX Coordinator within five (5) days of the delivery of the Notice of Outcome Letter. Once the five (5) days has passed, the matter will be deemed closed.

The request for appeal will be forwarded to the Appeal Chair, specifically the Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs or Vice President of Administration, as appropriate, for consideration to determine if the request meets the grounds for appeal (a Review for Standing).

a. Grounds for Appeal

Appeals are limited to the following grounds:

- 1. Procedural irregularity that affected the outcome of the matter.
- 2. New evidence that was not reasonably available at the time the determination regarding responsibility or dismissal was made, that could affect the outcome of the matter; and
- 3. An allegation that the Title IX Coordinator, Investigators, or Decision-maker had a conflict of interest or bias for or against Complainants or Respondents generally or the specific Complainant or Respondent that affected the outcome of the matter.

The Appeal Chair will deny any request for appeal that does not meet the grounds in this Regulation and will notify the party and their Advisors in writing of the denial and the rationale. Denials based on lack of grounds shall be communicated to the requesting party within five (5) days of the request for appeal being received by the Appeal Chair.

If any of the grounds in the Request for Appeal meet the grounds in this Regulation, then the Appeal Chair will:

- 1. Notify the other party(ies) and their Advisors, the Title IX Coordinator, and, when appropriate, the Investigators and/or the original Decision-maker.
- 2. Provide the other party(ies) and their Advisors, the Title IX Coordinator, and, when appropriate, the Investigators and/or the original Decision-maker an emailed appeal request with the approved grounds.
- 3. Provide the other party(ies) and their Advisors, the Title IX Coordinator, and when appropriate, the Investigators and/or the original Decision-maker five (5) business days to submit a response to the portion of the appeal that was approved and involves them.
- 4. Collect any additional information needed and all documentation regarding the approved grounds and the subsequent responses and will render a decision in no more than fifteen (15) business days, barring exigent circumstances. All decisions apply the preponderance of the evidence.

5. Prepare a Notice of Appeal Outcome letter and send it to all parties simultaneously, which includes the decision on each approved ground and rationale for each decision. The Notice of Appeal Outcome will specify the finding on each ground for appeal, any specific instructions for remand or reconsideration, any sanctions that may result which Eastern Arizona College is permitted to share according to state or federal law, and the rationale supporting the essential findings to the extent Eastern Arizona College is permitted to share under state or federal law.

Notification will be made in writing and may be delivered by one or more of the following methods: in person, mailed to the local or permanent address of the parties as indicated in official institutional records, or emailed to the parties' Eastern Arizona College-issued email or otherwise approved account. Once mailed, emailed and/or received in-person, notice will be presumptively delivered.

All decisions by the Appeal Chair are final and may not be appealed by either party.

b. Sanctions Status During the Appeal

Any sanctions imposed as a result of the hearing are stayed during the appeal process. Supportive measures may be reinstated, subject to the same supportive measure procedures above.

If any of the sanctions are to be implemented immediately post-hearing, then emergency removal procedures (detailed above) for a hearing on the justification for doing so must be permitted within 48 hours of implementation.

The College may still place holds on official transcripts, diplomas, graduations, and course registration pending the outcome of an appeal when the original sanctions included separation.

34. Long-term Remedies/Other Actions

Following the conclusion of the resolution process, and in addition to any sanctions implemented, the Title IX Coordinator may implement additional long-term remedies or actions with respect to the parties and/or the campus community that are intended to stop the harassment, and/or retaliation, remedy the effects, and prevent reoccurrence.

These remedies/actions may include, but are not limited to:

- Referral to counseling and health services
- Referral to the Employee Assistance Program
- Referral to student assistance resources
- Education to the individual and/or the community
- Permanent alteration of housing assignments
- Permanent alteration of work arrangements for employees
- Provision of campus safety escorts
- Climate surveys
- Regulation modification and/or training
- Implementation of long-term contact limitations between the parties
- Implementation of adjustments to academic deadlines, course schedules, etc.

At the discretion of the Title IX Coordinator, certain long-term support or measures may also be provided to the parties even if no policy violation is found.

When no policy/regulation violation is found, the Title IX Coordinator will address any remedies owed by the College to the Respondent to ensure no effective denial of educational access.

The College will maintain the privacy of any long-term remedies/actions/measures, provided privacy does not impair the College's ability to provide these services.

35. <u>Failure to Comply with Sanctions and/or Interim and Long-term Remedies and/or Responsive</u> Actions

All parties are expected to comply with the assigned sanctions, responsive actions, and/or corrective actions within the timeframe specified by the final Decision-maker (including the Appeal Chair).

Failure to abide by the sanction(s)/action(s) imposed by the date specified, whether by refusal, neglect, or any other reason, may result in additional sanction(s)/action(s), including suspension, expulsion, and/or termination from Eastern Arizona College and may be noted on a student's official transcript.

A suspension will only be lifted when compliance is achieved to the satisfaction of the Title IX Coordinator.

36. Recordkeeping

The College will maintain for a period of [at least] seven years records of:

- 1. Each sexual harassment investigation including any determination regarding responsibility and any audio or audiovisual recording or transcript required under federal regulation.
- 2. Any disciplinary sanctions imposed on the Respondent.
- 3. Any remedies provided to the Complainant designed to restore or preserve equal access to the College's educational program or activity.
- 4. Any appeal and the result therefrom.
- 5. Any Informal Resolution and the result therefrom.
- 6. All materials used to train Title IX Coordinators, Investigators, Decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an Informal Resolution process. The College will make these training materials publicly available on Eastern Arizona College's website; and
- 7. Any actions, including any supportive measures, taken in response to a report or formal complaint of sexual harassment, including:
 - a. The basis for all conclusions that the response was not deliberately indifferent.
 - b. Any measures designed to restore or preserve equal access to the College's educational program or activity; and
 - c. If no supportive measures were provided to the Complainant, document the reasons why such a response was not clearly unreasonable in light of the known circumstances.

The College will also maintain any and all records in accordance with state and federal laws.

37. <u>Disabilities Accommodations in the Resolution Process</u>

The College is committed to providing reasonable accommodation and support to qualified students, employees, or others with disabilities to ensure equal access to the College's resolution process. Anyone needing such accommodation should contact the Title IX Coordinator for assistance.

38. Mandatory Training

This Regulation requires that annual training for the Title IX Coordinator(s), investigators, decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process will include:

- A. the definition of sexual harassment under this Regulation,
- B. the scope of the Eastern Arizona College educational program or activity,
- C. how to conduct an investigation and grievance process including hearings, appeals, and informal resolution processes, as applicable, and
- D. how to serve impartially, including by avoiding prejudgment of the facts at issue, conflicts of interest, and bias.

Decision-makers will receive annual training on any technology to be used at a live hearing and on issues of relevance of questions and evidence, including when questions and evidence about the complainant's sexual predisposition or prior sexual behavior are not relevant.

Investigators will receive annual training on issues of relevance to create an investigative report that fairly summarizes relevant evidence.

Any materials used to train Title IX Coordinators, investigators, decision-makers, and any person who facilitates an informal resolution process, must not rely on sex stereotypes, and must promote impartial investigations and adjudications of formal complaints of sexual harassment.

39. Revision of this Regulation and Procedures

This regulation and procedures supersede any previous regulation(s) addressing harassment, sexual misconduct, discrimination, and/or retaliation and will be reviewed and updated annually by the Title IX Coordinator. The College reserves the right to make changes to this document as necessary, and once those changes are posted online, they are in effect.

During the resolution process, the Title IX Coordinator may make minor modifications to procedures that do not materially jeopardize the fairness owed to any party, such as to accommodate summer schedules. The Title IX Coordinator may also vary procedures materially with notice (on the institutional website, with the appropriate effective date identified) upon determining that changes to law or regulation require policy, regulation or procedural alterations not reflected in this regulation.

If government laws or regulations change – or court decisions alter – the requirements in a way that impacts this document, this document will be construed to comply with the most recent government regulations or holdings.

This document does not create legally enforceable protections beyond the protection afforded by state and federal laws, which frame such policies and codes, generally.

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Privacy and Confidentiality

Every effort is made by Eastern Arizona College (the College or EAC) to preserve the privacy of reports of allegations of sexual harassment/discrimination. For the purpose of the Title XI regulation, privacy and confidentiality have distinct meanings.

Privacy means that information related to a complaint will be shared with a limited number of EAC employees who "need to know" in order to assist in the assessment, investigation, and resolution of the report.

All employees who are involved in the College's response to notice under this policy receive specific training and guidance about sharing and safeguarding private information in accordance with state and federal law. The privacy of student education records will be protected in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act ("FERPA"), as outlined in EAC's FERPA policy. The privacy of employee records will be protected in accordance with Human Resources policies.

Confidentiality exists in the context of laws that protect certain relationships, including those who provide services related to medical and clinical care, mental health providers, counselors, attorneys, and ordained clergy. The law creates a privilege between certain health care providers, mental health care providers, attorneys, clergy, and others, with their patients, clients, and parishioners. The College does not have any confidential/privilege resources detailed above.

Information may be shared by a Complainant or Respondent with the College when an applicable law or a court order requires or permits disclosure of such information. For example, information may be disclosed when:

- 1. The individual gives written consent for its disclosure
- 2. There is a concern that the individual will likely cause serious physical harm to self or others
- 3. The information concerns conduct involving suspected abuse or neglect of a minor under the age of 18, elders, or individuals with disabilities

Non-identifiable information may be shared by Confidential Resources for statistical tracking purposes as required by the federal Clery Act. Other information may be shared, as required by law.

EAC will not share the identity of any individual who has made a report or complaint of harassment, discrimination, or retaliation; any Complainant, any individual who has been reported to be the perpetrator of sex discrimination, any Respondent, or any witness, except as permitted by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. 1232g; FERPA regulations, 34 CFR part 99; or as required by law; or to carry out the purposes of 34 CFR Part 106, including the conducting of any investigation, hearing, or grievance proceeding arising under these policies and procedures.

Only a small group of officials who need to know will typically be told about the complaint, including, but not limited to, the Office for Student Affairs, College/District Compliance Officers, Public Safety, and the Behavioral Intervention Team. Information will be shared as necessary with Investigators, Decision-makers, witnesses, and the parties. The circle of people with this knowledge will be kept as tight as possible to preserve the parties' rights and privacy.

EAC may contact parents/guardians to inform them of situations in which there is a significant and articulable health and/or safety risk but will consult with the student first before doing so, when appropriate.

Other Confidential Resources

Sexual misconduct can be a complex and painful experience that can require many different types of support including medical, legal, psychological, and academic resources. There are no employees within

EAC who can guarantee complete confidentiality; however, there are resources outside of the College that you may wish to have a confidential conversation with about your options and what next steps you would like to take.

National Sexual Assault Hotline and Website

Access free, 24/7 local crisis support online or by calling 1-800-856-HOPE (4673). For more information, visit ohl.rainn.org/online.

Off-Campus Counselors, Advocates and Resources

Off-campus counselors, advocates, and health care providers will also generally maintain confidentiality and not share information with EAC unless the victim requests the disclosure and signs a consent or waiver form.

National resources

- GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project
 - o Domestic Violence 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-832-1901
- The Network/La Red
 - o 24 Hour Crisis Line for GLBTQA Survivors: (617) 742-4911(v); (617) 227-4911(TTY)
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
 - o 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-799-7233 (SAFE); 1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
- Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network (RAINN)
 - o Phone: 1-800-656-HOPE
- Womenspace National Network to End Violence Against Immigrant Women
 - o 24 Hour Hotline: (609) 394-9000

Local Resources

- Rape Crisis 24-Hour Hotline
 - 0 (800) 400-1001
- Mt. Graham Safe House
 - 0 (928) 348-9104
- A New Leaf
 - Advocacy: (602) 372-7605Hotline: 1-844-SAFEDVS
- Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence
 - o Legal advocacy: (602) 279-2900; (800) 782-6400
 - o Hours of Operation: 8:30 am 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday
- Autumn House
 - o 24 Hour Crisis Line: (480) 835-5555
- Chrysalis
 - o 24 Hour Hotline: (602) 944-4999
 - o Programs and Services: (602) 955-9059
- CONTACS
 - o 24 Hour Hotline: (602) 263-8900; 1-800-799-7739
- Faith House
 - o 24 Hour Crisis Line: (623) 939-6798

- Glendale Family Advocacy Center
 - o Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 7 am to 5 pm

o Phone: (623) 930-3720

• Shelter Without Walls

Phone (English): (602) 452-4640Phone (Spanish): (602) 534-3087

Sojourner Center

o Crisis Line: (602) 244-0089; (602) 889-1610 (TDD)

Southwest Family Advocacy Center

o Phone: (623) 333-7900

Bystander Intervention

Don't just hope that someone else will step in. You have the ability to stop a terrible, life-altering situation. Be part of the solution by being a proactive bystander who helps prevent cases of sexual misconduct or by being a reactive bystander who positively intervenes in instances of sexual misconduct.

Risk Reduction Tips

To protect yourself and your friends from incidents of sexual misconduct, there are preventive measures you can take.

- Trust your instincts
- Make your limits known as early as possible
- Say "NO" clearly and firmly
- Be "situationally aware" by taking note of your surroundings and who is present
- Find someone nearby and ask for help
- Take responsibility for your alcohol and other drug intake, and acknowledge these substances can lower your inhibitions and increase your vulnerability
- Walk with others
- Lock doors and windows in your car and living space
- Take care of your friends and ask that they take care of you
- NEVER blame yourself if an act of sexual or relationship violence occurs. The only person responsible in that situation is the perpetrator.

What to Do If You are a Victim of Sexual Assault

Immediate Steps

- Get to a safe place.
- **Call someone you trust.** A friend, family member, or victim advocate are good resources. You do not have to go through this alone.
- **Preserve physical evidence.** If at all possible, do not shower until you have considered a sexual assault examination, save the clothes you were wearing in a paper or cloth bag take photos of any damage or injury, and keep communication records.

Within 24 Hours

- **Get medical attention.** A medical provider can check and treat physical injury, sexually transmitted infections, and pregnancy. You do not need to make a formal report or press charges to receive medical care.
- **Seek counseling.** You may want to turn to a confidential advocate or counselor for support and advice. They will talk with you about your options for additional support services and reporting.

At Any Time

• **Report the incident.** You are encouraged to report what happened to both the police and one of the Title IX Officials with Authority (see contact information below). You can decide how much you want to participate in any investigation process.

Officials with Authority

Title IX Coordinator Title IX Deputy Coordinator

Candee SkousenCollege PresidentTitle IX CoordinatorCollege Vice Presidents

Director of Residence Life
615 N. Stadium Ave.

Thatcher, AZ 85552

Phone: (928) 428-8606

Deans

Directors

Campus Police

Athletic Director

Email: candee.skousen@eac.edu

Web: Title IX (eac.edu)

• **EAC can help.** Campus resources, like the Dean of Students Office, can help you with changes to your housing, classes, work, and more. You do not need to make a formal report or press charges to receive help from EAC.

Prevention and Awareness Programs

Students

Students also receive annual training on Title IX through *Get Inclusive*, a third-party vendor. An email with the link to the *Voices of Change* training is distributed every fall semester. The training includes information and awareness on dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, as well as safe and positive options for bystander intervention all in accordance with Title IX, VAWA, and the Clery Act.

Ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns for students take place during Monster Bridge (New Student Orientation), in Residence Hall mandatory meetings at the beginning of each semester, and in other special focus programs such as the Sexual and Domestic Violence Prevention Program, which took place the 2019 fall semester. In addition, the Associated Students of Eastern Arizona College (ASEAC) plans, organizes, and administers awareness activities and assemblies each semester.

Employees

Employees receive annual Title IX and Sexual Harassment (Full Course) training. Employees access the training through Vector Solutions, Vector LMS, Higher Education Edition. The training provides an introduction and overview about Title IX and provides employees with information about the importance and implications of Title IX and Sexual Harassment, including sexual assault. Topics covered include the definition of sexual harassment, Title IX's regulations and obligations, and the elements of effective policies. Employees are also provided with a copy of the College's Title IX policy which includes information about Title IX and its related processes, and the contact information for the College's Title IX Coordinator.

Other Resources

The guiding principles in the report of a sexual assault or violent crime is to avoid revictimizing the survivor by forcing the person into any plan of action. Assistance with the well-being of the survivor is the primary goal. The following external resources are also available:

Behavioral Health – Crisis Service Line	
AzCH Nurse Assist (Graham County) Health Choice Integrated Care (Gila County) Suicide Hotline	. (877) 756-4090
<u>Domestic Violence</u>	
Mt. Graham Safe House (Graham County)	. (928) 348-9104
National Domestic Violence Hotline	. (800) 799-7233
Sexual Assault	
National Sexual Assault Hotline	. (800) 656-4673
SO AZ Center Against Sexual Assault (24/7 Sexual Assault Crisis Line)	. (800) 400-1001

Orders of Protection

What is an Order of Protection?

An individual who believes he/she has been a victim of domestic violence or harassment can ask the court for an Order of Protection or an Injunction Against Harassment. The relationship between the victim and the abusive party (defendant) will determine which type of order will be issued.

An Order of Protection (A.R.S. 13-3602) is a court order restraining a person from committing an act of harassment or domestic violence or from contacting persons protected by the order.

The Injunction Against Harassment (A.R.S. 12-1809) orders a person to stop harassing another person. The Injunction Against Harassment differs from the Order of Protection in that exclusive use of the home cannot be ordered and law enforcement are not required to serve an Injunction.

To be granted an Order of Protection, you must be one of the following:

- Spouse or former spouse of the defendant. Live with or have lived with the defendant in the same household.
- A parent of the defendant's child.
- Pregnant by the defendant.
- Related to the defendant or the defendant's spouse by blood or court order as a parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, or sister or by marriage as a parent-in-law, grandparentin-law, step-parent, step-grandparent, step-child, step-grandchild, brother-in-law, or sister-inlaw.
- A child who resides or has resided in the same household as the defendant and is related by blood
 to a former spouse of the defendant or to a person who resides or who has resided in the same
 household as the defendant.

- The relationship is currently or was previously a romantic or sexual relationship. The following
 factors may be considered in determining whether the relationship between the victim and the
 defendant is currently or was previously a romantic or sexual relationship:
 - A. The type of relationship.
 - B. The length of the relationship.
 - C. The frequency of the interaction between the victim and the defendant.
 - D. If the relationship has terminated, the length of time since the termination.

If the relationship is not defined by the criteria listed above, an Injunction Against Harassment may be issued.

Filing Your Petition

To initiate an Order of Protection or Injunction Against Harassment, you must file a petition with an Arizona court (i.e., justice of the peace court, city court, or a superior court). For those that have an active family court case (i.e., action of divorce, separation, paternity, or annulment) involving the abusive party (defendant), the petition should be filed with the superior court.

Courts in which to file your petition:

	<u>Municipal Court</u>	Justice Courts	Superior Courts
Thatcher	Thatcher Municipal Court 3960 W. Main St. Thatcher, AZ 85552 (928) 428-2290	Safford Justice Court 800 W. Main St. Safford, AZ 85546 (928) 428-1210	Graham County Superior Court 602 S. 8 th Avenue Safford, AZ 85546 (928) 428-3310 Greenlee Superior Court
Tha	Safford City Court 702 S. 8 th Ave. Safford, AZ 85546 (928) 432-4090 Pima Justice Court 136 W. Center St. Pima, AZ 85543 (928) 485-2771		223 5 th St. Clifton, AZ 85533 (928) 865-3872
son	Payson Magistrate Court 714 S. Beeline Hwy., Ste. 103 Payson, AZ 85541 (928) 474-5267	Payson Regional Justice Court 714 S. Beeline Hwy., Ste. 103 Payson, AZ 85541 (928) 474-5267	Gila County Superior Court – Payson 714 S. Beeline Hwy. Payson, AZ 85541 (928) 474-3978
Payson	Star Valley Magistrate Court 714 S. Beeline Hwy., Ste. 103 Payson, AZ 85541 (928) 474-5267		
Globe	Globe Municipal Court 150 N. Pine St. Globe, AZ 85501 (928) 425-0471	Globe Regional Justice Court 1400 E. Ash St. Globe, AZ 85501 (928) 425-3231	Gila County Superior Court – Globe 1400 E. Ash St. Globe, AZ 85501 (928) 425-3231
	Miami Magistrate Court 1400 E. Ash St.		

Globe, AZ 85501	
(928) 425-3231	

Court staff can help you complete the necessary paperwork and guide you through the process of filing the petition. AZPOINT, the Arizona Protective Order Initiation and Notification Tool, can also assist you with completing the paperwork. AZPOINT is a free service. Through an interview in their portal, you can fill out the forms that are needed to request an Order of Protection at an Arizona court. It can also help in determining whether you have a qualifying relationship with whom you seek protection. You will still need to file the petition with the court.

Once you have filed your petition, a judge will speak with you and determine whether there is a legal basis to issue a protective order.

Serving an Order of Protection

If you are granted an Order of Protection, the court will process it to be served (formally delivered). It must be served to make it enforceable. There is no charge to serve unless a private process server is used.

You will want to keep a copy of the Order of Protection with you at all times. If the person whom you had served contacts you, after he/she has been served, call the police immediately.

Policy/Regulation Availability

Eastern Arizona College has made available, to the public, a Policy Manual located at the:

Thatcher Campus - Alumni Library, located at 3670 West Church Street, Thatcher, AZ Gila Pueblo Campus - Library, located at 8274 South Six Shooter Canyon Road, Globe, AZ Payson Campus - Learning Resource Center, located at 201 North Mud Springs Road, Payson, AZ

Plans are being made to add an electronic version of the District's Policy Manual to the College's website.

CRIME STATISTICS

Categories of Crime Statistics

The Clery Act requires the tracking of four general categories of crime statistics:

- 1. **Criminal Offenses** criminal homicide (including murder and non-negligent manslaughter and manslaughter by negligence); sexual assault (including rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape); robbery, aggravated assault; burglary; motor vehicle theft; and arson.
- 2. **Hate Crimes** any of the above-mentioned offenses, and any incidents of larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, or destruction/damage/vandalism of property that were motivated by bias.
- 3. **VAWA Offenses** any incident of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, sexual assault (which is included in the Criminal Offenses category for Clery Act reporting purposes).
- 4. **Arrests and Referrals for Disciplinary Action** for weapons-carrying, possession, etc. law violations, drug abuse violations and liquor law violations.

Clery Act Crime Definitions

Criminal Offenses

1. Criminal Homicide

- a. **Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter** the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.
- b. Manslaughter by Negligence the killing of another person through gross negligence.
- 2. **Sex Assault (sexual offenses)** any sexual act directed against another person, without consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent.
 - a. **Rape** the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim. This offense includes the rape of both males and females.
 - b. Fondling the touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.
 - c. **Incest** sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.
 - d. Statutory rape sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

State of Arizona Definitions

Sexual Assault (ARS§13-1406) – A person commits sexual assault by intentionally or knowingly engaging in sexual intercourse or oral sexual contact with any person without consent of such person.

Consent - The State of Arizona does not define consent. It does, however, define "without consent."

Without consent - includes any of the following:

- a) The victim is coerced by the immediate use or threatened use of force against a person or property.
- b) The victim is incapable of consent by reason of mental disorder, mental defect, drugs, alcohol, sleep or any other similar impairment of cognition and such condition is known or should have reasonably been known to the defendant. For the purposes of this subdivision, "mental defect" means the victim is unable to comprehend the distinctively sexual nature of the conduct or is incapable of understanding or exercising the right to refuse to engage in the conduct with another.
- c) The victim is intentionally deceived as to the nature of the act.
- d) The victim is intentionally deceived to erroneously believe that the person is the victim's spouse.

EAC Policy Definitions

Consent - is knowing, voluntary and clear permission by word or action, to engage in sexual activity. Since individuals may experience the same interaction in different ways, it is the responsibility of each party to determine that the other has consented before engaging in the activity. If consent is not clearly provided prior to engaging in the activity,

consent may be ratified by word or action at some point during the interaction or thereafter, but clear communication from the outset is strongly encouraged. For consent to be valid, there must be a clear expression in words or actions that the other individual consented to that specific sexual conduct. Reasonable reciprocation can be implied. For example, if someone kisses you, you can kiss them back (if you want to) without the need to explicitly obtain their consent to being kissed back. Consent can also be withdrawn once given, as long as the withdrawal is reasonably and clearly communicated. If consent is withdrawn, that sexual activity should cease. Consent to some sexual contact (such as kissing or fondling) cannot be presumed to be consent for other sexual activity (such as intercourse). A current or previous intimate relationship is not sufficient to constitute consent. Proof of consent or non-consent is not a burden placed on either party involved in an incident. Instead, the burden remains on Eastern Arizona College to determine whether its policy and/or regulation has been violated. The existence of consent is based on the totality of the circumstances evaluated from the perspective of a reasonable person in the same or similar circumstances, including the context in which the alleged incident occurred and any similar, previous patterns that may be evidenced.

- 3. **Robbery** the taking, or attempting to take, anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear.
- 4. **Aggravated assault** an unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm. It is not necessary that injury result from an aggravated assault when a gun, knife or other weapon is used.
- 5. **Burglary** the unlawful entry of a structure to commit a felony or a theft.
- 6. **Motor vehicle theft** the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.
- 7. **Arson** any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Hate Crimes

Hate Crime – a criminal offense that manifests evidence that the victim was intentionally selected because of the perpetrator's bias against the victim.

- 1. Race a preformed negative attitude toward a group of persons who possess common physical characteristics, e.g., color of skin, eyes, and/or hair; facial features, etc. genetically transmitted by descent and heredity which distinguish them as a distinct division of humankind, e.g., Asians, blacks or African Americans, whites.
- Religion a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons who share the same religious beliefs regarding the origin and purpose of the universe and the existence or nonexistence of a supreme being, e.g., Catholics, Jews, Protestants, atheists.
- 3. **Sexual Orientation** a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their actual or perceived sexual orientation. Sexual orientation is the term for a person's physical, romantic, and/or emotional attraction to members of the same and/or opposite sex, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and heterosexual (straight) individuals.
- 4. **Gender** a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender, e.g., male or female.

- 5. **Gender Identity** a performed negative opinion or attitude toward a person or group of persons based on their actual or perceived gender identity, e.g., bias against transgender or gender non-conforming individuals.
- 6. Ethnicity a performed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people whose members identify with each other, through a common heritage, often consisting of a common language, common culture (often including a shared religion) and /or ideology that stresses, common ancestry.
- 7. **National Origin** a performed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of people based on their actual or perceived country of birth.
- 8. **Disability** a preformed negative opinion or attitude toward a group of persons based on their physical or mental impairments, whether such disability is temporary or permanent, congenital, or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age, or illness.

Along with the Criminal Offenses defined above, the following crimes are included in Clery Act statistics as Hate Crimes:

- 1. **Larceny-Theft** the unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another. Constructive possession is the condition in which a person does not have physical custody or possession but is in a position to exercise dominion or control over a thing.
- Simple Assault an unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the
 offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury
 involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss
 of consciousness.
- 3. **Intimidation** to unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct, but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack.
- 4. **Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property** to willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

VAWA Offenses

1. **Dating Violence** – violence committed by a person who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be determined based on the reporting party's statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship.

For the purposes of this definition:

- Dating violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse.
- Dating Violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence.

State of Arizona Definition

Dating Violence – The State of Arizona does not define dating violence. Arizona's domestic violence laws encompass the definition of dating violence.

- 2. **Domestic Violence** a felony or misdemeanor crime of violence committed by:
 - A current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim.
 - A person with whom the victim shares a child in common.
 - A person who is cohabitating with, or has cohabitated with, the victim as a spouse or intimate partner.
 - A person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.
 - 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 in which the crime of
 violence occurred.

State of Arizona Definition

Domestic Violence (ARS§13-3601) - means any act that is a dangerous crime against children as defined in section 13-705 or an offense prescribed in section 13-1102, 13-1103, 13-1104, 13-1105, 13-1201, 13-1202, 13-1203, 13-1204, 13-1302, 13-1303, 13-1304, 13-1406, 13-1425, 13-1502, 13-1503, 13-1504, 13-1602 or 13-2810, section 13-2904, subsection A, paragraph 1, 2, 3 or 6, section 13-2910, subsection A, paragraph 8 or 9, section 13-2915, subsection A, paragraph 3 or section 13-2916, 13-2921, 13-2921.01, 13-2923, 13-3019, 13-3601.02 or 13-3623, if any of the following applies:

- 1. The relationship between the victim and the defendant is one of marriage or former marriage or of persons residing or having resided in the same household.
- 2. The victim and the defendant have a child in common.
- 3. The victim or the defendant is pregnant by the other party.
- 4. The victim is related to the defendant or the defendant's spouse by blood or court order as a parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, or sister or by marriage as a parent-in-law, grandparent-in-law, stepparent, step-grandparent, stepchild, step-grandchild, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law.
- 5. The victim is a child who resides or has resided in the same household as the defendant and is related by blood to a former spouse of the defendant or to a person who resides or who has resided in the same household as the defendant.
- 6. The relationship between the victim and the defendant is currently or was previously a romantic or sexual relationship. The following factors may be considered in determining whether the relationship between the victim and the defendant is currently or was previously a romantic or sexual relationship:
 - a) The type of relationship.
 - b) The length of the relationship.
 - c) The frequency of the interaction between the victim and the defendant.
 - d) If the relationship has terminated, the length of time since the termination.

3. **Stalking** – engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person's safety or the safety of others or suffer substantial emotional distress.

For the purposes of this definition:

- Course of conduct two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts in which the stalker directly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means, follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about a person, or interferes with a person's property.
- **Reasonable person** a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.
- **Substantial emotional distress** significant mental suffering or anguish that may but does not necessarily require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

State of Arizona Definition

Stalking (ARS§13-2923) – A person commits stalking if the person intentionally or knowingly engages in a course of conduct that is directed toward another person and if that conduct causes the victim to:

- 1. Suffer emotional distress or reasonably fear that either:
 - a) The victim's property will be damaged or destroyed.
 - b) Any of the following will be physically injured:
 - i. The victim.
 - ii. The victim's family member, domestic animal, or livestock.
 - iii. A person with whom the victim has or has previously had a romantic or sexual relationship.
 - iv. A person who regularly resides in the victim's household or has resided in the victim's household within the six months before the last conduct occurred.
- 2. Reasonably fear death or the death of any of the following:
 - a) The victim's family member, domestic animal, or livestock.
 - b) A person with whom the victim has or has previously had a romantic or sexual relationship.
 - c) A person who regularly resides in the victim's household or has resided in the victim's household within the six months before the last conduct occurred.
- 4. **Sexual Assault** See definition <u>here</u>.

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals for Violation of Weapons, Drug Abuse and Liquor Laws

Arrest – persons processed by arrest, citation, or summons.

Referred for disciplinary action – the referral of any person to any official who initiates a disciplinary action of which a record is established, and which may result in the imposition of a sanction.

- 1. **Weapons: Carrying, Possessing, Etc.** the violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, concealment, or use of firearms, cutting instruments, explosives, incendiary devices, or other deadly weapons. The classification encompasses weapons offenses that are regulatory in nature.
- 2. Drug Abuse Violations the violation of laws prohibiting the production, distribution and/or use of certain controlled substances and the equipment or devices utilized in their preparation and/or use. The unlawful cultivation, manufacture, distribution, sale, purchase, use, possession, transportation or importation of any controlled drug or narcotic substance. Arrests for violations of state and local laws, specifically those relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs.
- 3. **Liquor Law Violations** the violation of state or local laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, purchase, transportation, possession, or use of alcoholic beverages, not including driving under the influence and drunkenness.

Clery Geography Definitions

- 1. **On-Campus** any building or property owned or controlled by an institution within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution's education purposes, including residence halls; and any building or property that is within or reasonably contiguous to the area identified above that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is frequently used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).
- On-Campus Student Housing Facility any student housing facility owned or controlled by the
 institution or is located on property that is owned or controlled by the institution and is within
 the reasonably contiguous geographic area that makes up the campus is considered an on-campus
 student housing facility.
- 3. **Non-Campus** any building or property owned or controlled by a student organization that is officially recognized by the institution, or any building or property owned or controlled by an institution that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution's educational purposes, is frequently used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.
- 4. **Public Property** all public property, including thoroughfares, streets, sidewalks, and parking facilities, which is within the campus, or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus.

2023 Crime Statistics

Below are the crime statistics for reported crimes for each of the three campuses - the main campus is located in Thatcher with branch campuses in Globe (Gila Pueblo) and Payson. The data covers a 12-month period (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31) for each of the previous three years and is comprised of crimes occurring oncampus (including on-campus student housing), on public property within or adjacent to the campus and in or on non-campus buildings or property owned or controlled by the College. Thatcher campus is the only campus with on-campus student housing.

2023 Crime Statistics – Calendar Years 2020, 2021, 2022

Thatcher Campus

	CRIMINAL OFFENSES		Occurro Per Yea	
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022
Murder/Nee	On Campus	0	0	0
Murder/Non- Negligent	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Manslaughter	Non-Campus	0	0	0
ivialisiaugiitei	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Manslaughter	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
By Negligence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Dana	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Rape	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Familian	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Fondling	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
1	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Incest	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Statutory	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Rape	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Robbery	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	3
Aggravated	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Assault	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	1	1
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Burglary	Non-Campus	1	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Theft	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	On Campus	0	0	0
Arcon	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Arson	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	HATE CRIMES			Occurre Per Year	
Offense	Location	Bias	2020	2021	2022
Murder/Non-	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Negligent	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Manslaughter	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Widnisidugiitei	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Rape	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Каре	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Fondling	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Foliding	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Incost	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Incest	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Ctatutam, Dana	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Robbery	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Aggravated	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Assault	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Burglary	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Theft	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0

Arson	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities – subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
Simple Assault	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities – subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
Larceny-theft	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities – subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
Intimidation	On Campus	RACE	0	0	1
	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities – subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0
Destruction/	On Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Damage/	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities – subset of "On Campus"	N/A	0	0	0
Vandalism of	Non-Campus	N/A	0	0	0
Property	Public Property	N/A	0	0	0

V	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) OFFENSES			Total Occurrences Per Year		
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022		
	On Campus	0	0	0		
Domestic	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	1		
Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
	Public Property	0	0	0		
	On Campus	0	0	0		
Dating	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0		
Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
	Public Property	0	0	0		
	On Campus	1	0	1		
Ctalking	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0		
Stalking	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
	Public Property	0	0	0		

	ARRESTS			e nces r
Arrest	Location	2020	2021	2022
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0
Carrying,	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0
Possessing,	Non-Campus	0	0	0
etc.	Public Property	0	0	0

	On Campus	3	1	0	
Drug Abuse	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	1	1	
Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0	
	Public Property	0	0	0	
	On Campus	4	0	0	
Liquor Law	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	16	
Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0	
	Public Property	0	0	0	
* Change reflects actual	* Change reflects actual number reported to ADOE				

	DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS			Total Occurrences Per Year		
Action	Location	2020	2021	2022		
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0		
Carrying,	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	0	0		
Possessing,	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
etc.	Public Property	0	0	0		
	On Campus	0	1	0		
Drug Abuse	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	1	1		
Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
	Public Property	0	0	0		
	On Campus	1	4	0		
Liquor Law	On-Campus Student Housing Facilities - subset of "On Campus"	0	4	1		
Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0		
	Public Property	0	0	0		

Unfounded Crimes	Year
No unfounded crimes.	2020
No unfounded crimes.	2021
No unfounded crimes.	2022

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Gila Pueblo Campus

CRIMINAL OFFENSES		Tota	l Occurr Per Yea	
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022
Murder/Non-	On Campus	0	0	0
Negligent	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Manslaughter	Public Property	0	0	0
Manslaughter	On Campus	0	0	0
By Negligence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
by Negligerice	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Rape	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Fondling	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Incest	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
Chahadama	On Campus	0	0	0
Statutory	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Rape	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Robbery	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Aggravated	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Assault	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Burglary	Non-Campus	0	0	0
0 ,	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Theft	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Arson	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

HATE/BIAS INCIDENTS	Year
No Hate Crimes reported.	2020
No Hate Crimes reported.	2021
No Hate Crimes reported.	2022

\	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) OFFENSES		Total Occurrence Per Year	
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022
Domostic	On Campus	0	0	0
Domestic	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Violence	Public Property	0	0	0
Dating	On Campus	0	0	0
Dating Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
violence	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Stalking	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	ARRESTS		Total Occurrences Per Year	
Arrest	Location	2020	2021	2022
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0
Carrying,	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Possessing, etc.	Public Property	0	0	0
Drug Abusa	On Campus	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
VIOIALIONS	Public Property	0	0	0
Lieusenleus	On Campus	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS		Total Occurrences Per Year		
Action	Location	2020	2021	2022	
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0	
Carrying,	Non-Campus	0	0	0	
Possessing, etc.	Public Property	0	0	0	
Drug Abusa	On Campus	0	0	0	
Drug Abuse Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0	
Violations	Public Property	0	0	0	
Liquorlaw	On Campus	0	0	0	
Liquor Law Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0	
	Public Property	0	0	0	

UNFOUNDED CRIMES	Year
No unfounded crimes.	2020
No unfounded crimes.	2021
No unfounded crimes.	2022

2023 Crime Statistics – Calendar Years 2020, 2021, 2022

Payson Campus

CRIMINAL OFFENSES			Occurr Per Yea	
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022
Murder/Non-	On Campus	0	0	0
Negligent	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Manslaughter	Public Property	0	0	0
Manslaughter	On Campus	0	0	0
By Negligence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
by Negligerice	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Rape	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Fondling	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Incest	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
Chahuhami	On Campus	0	0	0
Statutory	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Rape	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Robbery	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Aggravated	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Assault	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Burglary	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Theft	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Arson	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

HATE/BIAS INCIDENTS	Year
No Hate Crimes reported.	2020
No Hate Crimes reported.	2021
No Hate Crimes reported.	2022

\	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT (VAWA) OFFENSES		Total Occurrence Per Year	
Offense	Location	2020	2021	2022
Domostic	On Campus	0	0	0
Domestic Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
violence	Public Property	0	0	0
Dating	On Campus	0	0	0
Dating Violence	Non-Campus	0	0	0
violence	Public Property	0	0	0
	On Campus	0	0	0
Stalking	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	ARRESTS		Total Occurrences Per Year	
Arrest	Location	2020	2021	2022
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0
Carrying,	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Possessing, etc.	Public Property	0	0	0
Drug Abusa	On Campus	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
VIOIALIONS	Public Property	0	0	0
Lieusenleus	On Campus	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

	DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS		Total Occurrences Per Year	
Action	Location	2020	2021	2022
Weapons:	On Campus	0	0	0
Carrying,	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Possessing, etc.	Public Property	0	0	0
Drug Abusa	On Campus	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
Violations	Public Property	0	0	0
Liquorlaw	On Campus	0	0	0
Liquor Law Violations	Non-Campus	0	0	0
	Public Property	0	0	0

UNFOUNDED CRIMES	Year
No unfounded crimes.	2020
No unfounded crimes.	2021
No unfounded crimes.	2022

MISSING STUDENT NOTIFICATION – RESIDENT STUDENT

In compliance with the Missing Student Notification Policy and Procedures (Section 488(i) of the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008), Eastern Arizona College has developed the following policy to guide the efforts of College staff members when they suspect and/or have determined a resident student is missing.

Definitions

Resident student: a student who is enrolled in Eastern Arizona College and is living in on-campus housing on the Thatcher, AZ campus.

Missing resident student: a resident student whose location and/or status the Eastern Arizona College Campus Police (EACCP) is unable to ascertain 24 hours after having received notification that the resident student may be missing.

Designated College Staff Person or Organization: College employees to whom, or organizations (College or non-College) to which students, employees or other individuals should report a resident student is believed to be missing for 24 hours; persons and organizations include but are not limited to:

- 1. Eastern Arizona College Campus Police (EACCP)
- 2. Director of Residence Life
- 3. Student Administrator
- 4. Dean of Student Life
- 5. Vice Presidents and President

Designated College Staff or Organization Responsibilities

If a non-law enforcement designated College staff person or organization receives notification or has other good reason to believe a resident student may be missing, s/he immediately.

- 1. Contacts EACCP, which, in turn, initiates their investigation procedures.
- 2. Attempts to contact the resident student who is believed to be missing.
- 3. Files a student welfare notification with the Dean of Students Office.

If the non-law enforcement designated College staff person is able to contact the resident student, s/he:

- 1. Attempts to confirm the whereabouts and safety of the resident student.
- 2. Informs the resident student EACCP will contact the resident student to verify his/her status.
- 3. Contacts EACCP immediately to provide a status update on the resident student.

College Responsibilities

Upon notification that a resident student's whereabouts are unknown, EACCP initiates their investigative procedures, as appropriate.

If EACCP is unable to locate the resident student within 24 hours of receipt of the initial notification:

- 1. A designated College staff person, notifies the resident student's emergency contact(s)
 - Resident students provide confidential emergency contact information (e.g., name(s), phone number(s), email address(es) and address(es)) to the Residence Life staff upon checking into campus housing.

- b. The resident student's confidential contact information shall be accessible only to authorized College and law enforcement officials, as necessary.
- 2. If the resident student is under 18 years of age and not emancipated, the designated College representative notifies the resident student's custodial parent or guardian, if different from the emergency contact(s).

Other College Responsibilities

The College will:

- 1. Advise all resident students of the required notification procedures.
- 2. Retain all non-law enforcement and law enforcement records pertaining to a missing resident student report or investigation.

2023 ANNUAL FIRE SAFETY REPORT

The Higher Education Opportunity Act requires institutions that maintain on-campus student housing facilities to publish an annual fire safety report containing information about campus fire safety practices, standards, and all fire-related, on-campus statistics.

Fire safety and education is a vital part of emergency preparedness for students residing in the residence halls. The Director of Residence Life works in collaboration with the Thatcher Fire Department and Department of Physical Resources to educate students on fire safety, perform internal inspections, conduct fire drills, and provide appropriate training. The Thatcher Fire Department is the responding agency to Eastern Arizona College for all fire emergencies and their station is located across the highway from the main campus.

As part of the application process, residents and potential residents are informed of the online Residence Life Handbook, which contains information on fire safety, personal safety, student code of conduct, resident hall policies, and other pertinent information residents should know. All hall residents are expected to be knowledgeable of and follow all the guidelines and regulations included in the Handbook. The Residence Life Handbook can be accessed on the Eastern Arizona College website at https://eac.edu/student-life/housing/index.php.

On-Campus Student Housing

Thatcher campus is the only campus with student housing facilities. They are:

- Residence Towers, located at 900 N. College Avenue, was built in 1997 and houses 145 students.
- Mark Allen Hall, located at 1055 N. Stadium Avenue was built in 1964 and houses 178 students
- Nellie Lee Hall, located at 916 N. College Avenue, was built in 1952 and houses 50 students
- Wesley Taylor Hall, located at 853 N. Stadium Avenue, was built in 1941 and houses 53 students.

On-Campus Student Housing Facility Fire Safety Systems

All four residence-halls have smoke detectors in resident rooms, hallways, and common areas. Of the four halls, only Residence Towers has fire suppression sprinklers throughout the hall. Each hall has fire alarm pull stations located in hallways, near living areas, and lobby areas. These stations are connected to control panels in each hall and when pulled will sound the general alarm to alert staff and students to begin evacuation of the building. Residence Towers alarm system makes an automatic call to emergency services to respond. In all other halls when the alarm sounds, hall staff contact Campus Police and/or emergency services to respond. Residence Life Staff live within their designated hall of responsibility and

are able to respond as necessary and have supplemental staff that can also respond during the day through the late evening, during operational hours.

Description of On-Campus Student Housing Fire Safety Systems (as of the date of this report)						
Residence Hall	Smoke Detectors	Sprinklers	Fire Extinguishers	Monitoring System*		
Mark Allen, 1055 N. Stadium Ave.	X	N/A	X	Wall panel/in house alarm/staff alert emergency services		
Nellie Lee, 916 N. College Ave.	Х	N/A	Х	Wall panel/in house alarm/staff alert emergency services		
Residence Towers, 900 N. College Ave.	х	N/A	Х	Wall panel/auto alert to emergency services		
Wesley Taylor, 853 N. Stadium Ave.	X	N/A	X	Wall panel/in house alarm/staff alert emergency services		

^{*}EAC PD responds to staff alerts. The Thatcher Fire Department responds to the auto alert.

Fire Drills

Fire drills are conducted at Mark Allen, Nellie Lee, Residence Towers, and Wesley Taylor two times a year; at the beginning of the Fall and Spring semesters. Drills are unannounced to students so staff can evaluate residents' response to the drill and evacuation of the building, along with reviewing the current status of fire related equipment. Failure of equipment system is reported immediately to the Department of Physical Resources for repair or replacement. Additional information concerning building evacuation and fire drills are discussed with students during residence hall meetings at the beginning of each semester and during the semester as needed.

Fire Drills (January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022)						
Residence Hall	# of Drills	Date(s)				
Mark Allen, 1055 N. Stadium Ave.	2	February 12, 2022 October 16, 2022				
Nellie Lee, 916 N. College Ave.	2	February 12, 2022 October 13, 2022				
Residence Towers, 900 N. College Ave.	2	February 12, 2022 October 15, 2022				
Wesley Taylor, 853 N. Stadium Ave.	2	February 12, 2022 October 15, 2022				

Fire Safety/Precautions

The following information taken from the Residence Life Handbook

Prior to any emergency, acquaint yourself with emergency exits, location of fire alarm pulls, fire extinguisher locations and have a basic plan for evacuating the building in the event of an emergency. Evacuation procedures are clarified during hall orientation meetings.

Precautions

- Do not tamper with fire alarms, fire prevention equipment, or disrupt evacuation procedures, doing so can result in the following:
 - a maximum penalty of a six-month jail sentence and a \$1,000 fine; and/or
 - The City of Thatcher Fire Department may charge a student or students a \$2,000 fine for knowingly causing a false alarm to be sounded as a result of a student or students' failure to follow Residence Life policy/guidelines and/or directions concerning fire safety and procedure as disbursed by Hall staff.
 - Endangering yourself and others if you fail to evacuate the Residence Hall (which is a violation of Residence Life policy) after a fire alarm has sounded.
- Do not block doorways, windows, hallways, stairways, escape routes or emergency exits at any time.
- All electrical cords and devices should be Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved.
- Avoid the use of extension cords; power bars would be a better choice.
- Inspect all cords for wear or damage which may cause it to short circuit.
- Use power bars with an independent breaker.
- Do not use an adapter to plug in additional cords to an outlet.
- Do not remove faceplate from electrical outlets or switches. Report broken faceplates, sparking, or shorting as soon as possible to hall staff.
- Do not use any devices with open heating elements. (Ex. Hot plate, floor heaters).
- Keep flammable items such as paper and clothing away from heat sources and electrical outlets.
- Do not change overhead light bulbs. Report malfunctions to Residence Life staff.
- Report any electrical problems as soon as possible to hall staff.
- Christmas lights are allowed under the following guidelines:
 - No live trees.
 - Lights must be UL approved.
 - Follow "Appliance" guidelines, which includes turning off lights when room is unoccupied.

<u>Precautions - Residence Towers Residents</u>

Residents in Residence Towers must take extra precautions in their communities and suites to not activate the General Fire Alarm unnecessarily (false alarm) or be subject to possible fines and/or sanctions. Smoke detectors, in all living areas, are sensitive to many atmospheric changes that should be avoided. They include:

- Heavy buildup of steam, dampness, or humidity.
- Aerosol sprays (room deodorizers, hair spray, etc.).
- Chemical vapors (glues, fingernail polish and remover, acetones, oil paint, etc.).
- Heavy accumulations of dust; dust in air, or other unusual activity.
- Placing fluorescent lights near detectors (activated by electrical noise).
- Hang anything on, or tamper with, sprinkler heads located in living areas.
- Smoke from any source (candles, incense, cigarettes, matches, etc.). These items are prohibited.

Portable Electrical Appliances, Smoking and Open Flames

The following information taken from the Residence Life Handbook

Appliances

Appliance policies have been established in consideration of the building's electrical capacity, utility costs, fire safety, pest control, cleanliness, injury, and damage potential.

- Acceptable appliances include lamps, radio/stereo, iron, blow dryer, curling iron, electric razor, computer, printer, TV, VCR/DVD players, electric blanket, heating pad, ac adaptors/chargers, water warmer, small crockpot, and any other UL approved small electrical device.
 - Residents are allowed one (1) refrigerator and/or microwave per room/two (2) per suite with the maximum refrigerator size being 4.3 cubic ft and 1100-watt microwave. The College/Hall staff reserve the right to inspect the contents of each refrigerator in accordance with normal inspection guidelines for cleanliness, safety, and hall/school policy violations.
- Prohibited appliances include toasters, air conditioners, evaporative coolers, hotplates, popcorn poppers, woks, space heaters, and any type of stove used for cooking or producing heat.
- Appliances not listed are to be brought to the attention of the Head Resident for approval before use. A current medical prescription for an electrical, medical appliance must be submitted stating the required item, medical condition, and length of time the appliance is needed. The Housing/Counseling Office will validate the prescription and notify the resident whether the appliance is approved.

Residents are asked to use caution when leaving their room unoccupied by making sure all heat producing items are turned off. Residents should not place hot items such as irons, curling irons, etc., directly on furniture or carpet, near drapes, bedding, clothes, or flammable items.

Violation of Appliance Policy: Prohibited appliances not removed, when directed by Residence Life Staff, will be confiscated, and stored until the resident can remove it from campus. Residents with a prohibited appliance in their room/suite will be subject to disciplinary actions as deemed appropriate.

Smoking

All residence halls prohibit smoking, the use of E-cigarettes, and smokeless tobacco. Smoking is prohibited near residences hall entrances, near the windows of any hall rooms/suites, within a 50 ft. perimeter of the residence hall roof line, under any overhangs or covered walkways, stairwells, and seating areas connected to or adjacent to a resident hall. Ash cans are located outside several buildings on campus and should be used when disposing of cigarette butts and ashes. Discarding them into trash cans or on the ground is prohibited. E-cigarettes may not be stored in any residence hall due to the potential fire risk they pose.

Open Flames

Open flames or combustible items are not allowed in any residence hall. This includes any device that produces a flame or intense heat such as: barbecue grills, candles, lighters, e-cigarettes, cigars, pipes, matches, incense, fireworks, smoke bombs, propane burners, hotplates, fuel or gas tanks, or firearm ammunition.

Other Prohibited Items

Additional prohibited items include damaged or non-UL approved electrical cords, use of non-grounded adapter plugs, any device with an open heating element, live trees, and related products.

Reporting a Fire

Residents are expected to report that a fire is occurring or has occurred. Report fires in progress, regardless of size, to 911, Residence Life staff, or Campus Police. Residence Life staff will follow chain-of-command procedures to ensure the Director of Residence Life has been briefed on any fires in any of the residential housing facilities. The Director of Residence Life will review the incident to determine if all procedures were followed, measures were effective, equipment was working properly, and make any necessary changes or report any safety concerns to the appropriate parties (i.e., Physical Resources Department, Dean of Students, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, or President). The director will use the information provided to make an entry into the Fire Log. In the case of Arson, Campus Police will also make an entry into the Daily Crime Log.

Fire Emergency - Discovering a Fire:

- Stay calm!
- Pull the nearest fire alarm and/or call 911, alert others.
 - Calling 911 will alert emergency services and Campus Police.
- Extinguish a small fire ONLY if there is no risk to you or other residents.
 - If you attempt to extinguish a fire, maintain an avenue of escape at all times.
 - Aim extinguisher at the base of the fire.
- When an alarm is sounded in the building, staff and students should evacuate the building as
 quickly and safely as possible following the building evacuation plan/procedures as described in
 the next section of this report.

Fire Emergencies and Evacuation Procedures (Student Housing Residents)

The following information is taken from the Residence Life Handbook.

Residents are encouraged to acquaint themselves with emergency exits, locations of fire alarm pulls, fire extinguisher locations, and have a basic plan for evacuating the building in the event of an emergency. Procedures for evacuation are discussed during hall orientation meetings. Failure to evacuate a residence hall during a fire drill or actual emergency can result in citation, disciplinary action, injury, or death.

All available staff members, at the time of an emergency evacuation, will be required to assist in evacuating the building. Other specific assignments for evacuation may be given throughout semester.

Evacuation Procedures

In the event of an alarm:

- Place hand on room door. If it is not hot, open slowly and check to see if it is safe to exit.
 - Grab something to cover your face and put on a pair of shoes for protection. Dress appropriately for the weather, if possible.
 - If time permits, open blinds or curtains and turn on the lights.
- Feel the door.

If it is hot:

- Do not open it.
- Put a wet towel/blanket at base of the door to block smoke and open your window.
- Call and signal for help.
- Dial 911 if you have phone access.
- Do not jump from windows above the first floor.
- Stay low in the room and signal with a flashlight or bright cloth so emergency personnel will know you are in the building.

If it is <u>not</u> hot:

- Open slightly and put your hand out into the hall.
- Check the hallway.

If the hallway is hot:

- Do not go out.
- Close the door.
- Put a wet towel/blanket at base of the door to block smoke and open your window.
- Call and signal for help.
- Dial 911 if you have phone access.
- Do not jump from windows above the first floor.
- Stay low in the room and signal with flashlight or bright cloth so emergency personnel will know you are in the building.

If the hallway is <u>not</u> hot and is clear:

- Exit your room.
- Close your door.
- Proceed to the nearest unobstructed emergency exit or an exit prescribed in your escape route and leave the building.
 - Elevators are not considered as an emergency exit option and will not be used during a fire alarm and/or evacuation of the building.
- In case you are in a smoke-filled area, crawl or crouch out of the area. Typically, there will be less smoke closer to the floor.

- Meet at the Emergency Evacuation Site (EES SANDPIT VOLLEYBALL COURT) so you can be accounted for by staff and emergency service personnel.
- Notify Residence Life staff or Emergency Service personnel if you think someone may be trapped in the building so they can attempt to locate.
- Wait in the EES (Emergency Evacuation Site) until the "All Clear" is given by Emergency Service personnel prior to re-entering the Residence Hall.

Evacuation Procedures: Residents with a Disability (Residence Towers)

Individuals with disabilities are largely responsible for themselves but may ask for the assistance of a staff member or a volunteer/resident of Residence Towers (RT) when needed. The procedures below should be followed in the case of fire drills as well. It is important to establish these procedures for drills, so they can be carried out, without confusion or endangering the person with the disability, in the event an actual emergency evacuation occurs. The procedures are meant as a guideline only in the event of an emergency evacuation and are not guaranteed to cover all possible scenarios. Planning and practicing a possible evacuation by/for a disabled students is recommended. It may help to eliminate possible confusion/injury during an actual emergency.

When the fire alarm sounds, all residents of Residence Towers are required to evacuate the building and meet at a pre-determined Emergency Evacuation Site (EES) so that they can be accounted for by Residence Life staff and emergency personnel.

Emergency stairwells attached to each community should be used if possible, during an evacuation to keep congestion of the main stairwell in the courtyard area to a minimum, also to assist the movement of staff and emergency personnel securing the area. All stairwells should be kept clear of blockage and debris at all times by residents and staff. Chairs, bikes, and other items placed in these areas may endanger those trying to evacuate and put all residents at risk for potential unnecessary injury.

Elevators are not considered an emergency exit option and will not be used during a fire alarm and/or evacuation of the building.

1. Residents who use devices that assist them to walk (crutches, canes, etc.):

These residents should evacuate as expeditiously as possible. They may request assistance from a fellow resident, staff member, or emergency personnel. It is suggested that they evacuate the building by using the main stairwell in the courtyard area so that assistance is more likely to be available from one of the mentioned parties. Once out of the building these residents should meet at a pre-designated location (EES) to be accounted for by Residence Life staff and emergency personnel.

2. Residents who use a wheelchair:

Suites with residents that are wheelchair users will be treated with high priority by staff. These suites will be checked by available staff members during an evacuation to ensure evacuation is complete in these areas. If evacuation of these areas by staff is restricted by fire, smoke, or other dangers, and a resident who is a wheelchair user is unaccounted for, staff member(s) will advise emergency personnel of the situation and location of resident as soon as possible.

All staff members must have prior knowledge of their location and check on these residents each time there is an evacuation, even if there has been a community or community member assigned to assist. NO EXCEPTIONS! Normal evacuation assistance should be maintained throughout the rest of the hall along with the evacuation of disabled residents. RL staff will use their best

judgment to ensure all residents are evacuated safely, in a time efficient manner while following instruction from emergency service personnel on the scene.

At the beginning of each semester, the Head Resident will notify all available Campus Police Officers and RT staff members of each of RT's wheelchair users, the nature of their disability, and their living area/location while residing at RT. A floor plan of their location will be posted in the conference room of the office/lobby area of RT for easy reference in the event of an emergency evacuation.

All residents of a community that have a wheelchair user in one of its suites will be notified by staff/writing by RL staff at the beginning of their stay. All residents of that community should attempt to assist, without endangering themselves or a resident who is a wheelchair user. (Specific staff, residents or suites may be assigned hourly/daily/weekly to assist during evacuations. That community may choose to make those assignments on their community contract.)

Ground level:

Wheelchair bound residents assigned to or are on the ground level of the building (West 1D) and can exit directly to the outdoors, should do so as quickly as possible and meet in a predetermined Emergency Evacuation Site (EES) to be accounted for. Residents of that community, without endangering themselves, should attempt to assist where necessary, those residents that are wheelchair users while evacuating the building. (Specific staff, residents, or suite members may be assigned hourly/daily/weekly to assist during evacuations, if that community chooses to make those assignments on their community contract.)

Second and Third Floors:

- 1. If smoke or fire is noticed by a resident in a wheelchair, and the individual is alone and has access to a phone, he/she can relay this information directly to emergency services (911) and include the phone number they are calling from if a land line. Residence Towers address is 900 N. College Ave., Thatcher, AZ.
- 2. If no phone is available, residents should hang colorful fabric such as a jacket or blanket out of the window and shout to attract attention to their location.
- 3. Residents should remain in that location until help arrives, although that resident has the right to move to a safer location, if possible, without risking their safety.
- 4. If danger is imminent, and it becomes necessary to evacuate, it is the responsibility of the individuals with the disability to request assistance. In general, these individuals should not be carried due to the risk of potential injury, except in extreme emergencies. These residents know best how they should be carried out and should direct volunteers accordingly. These residents should also ask a staff member or Campus Police Officer to relay special information or needs (medication, specific handling instructions, etc.) for evacuation to emergency service personnel as soon as possible. Once outside the building, these residents and their volunteers should meet other residents in a predesignated area (EES) to be accounted for.
- 5. If no smoke, fire, or immediate danger is apparent and assistance from a community member is not available, a disabled resident should remain in his/her resident hall suite with the door closed and unlocked. A closed door can provide a safe barrier for many

minutes, until an on-duty campus officer/staff member, or emergency personnel can assist them in safely exiting the building.

Note:

Residence Towers (RT) was constructed with three specifically designed suites to facilitate those residents with physical disabilities who may require a living area that meets wheelchair/ADA requirements.

The facility was built with some of the most fire-resistant materials available for construction, furniture that meets all requirements of the California Code in regard to heat resistance and flame, and one of the most up-to-date fire/smoke alarm systems available at the time of construction.

Upon request, and as a disabled resident becomes eligible to live in RT, they will be placed in one of these three living areas (six bed spaces total) based on gender and time of request. All spaces are on a first-come, first-served basis depending on date of application submission and payment of housing deposit. Disabled students may request to live in other areas of RT, although access in those areas isn't as assessable as those suites designed for that purpose.

Since Residence Towers has three floors, with special living areas on each level, it becomes necessary to integrate evacuation procedures that facilitate those residents with special needs in the event of an emergency requiring evacuation of the building.

Fire Safety Education and Training (Resident Life Employees)

Fire education training for employees includes an annual, mandatory Emergency Preparedness Training which covers steps to take in the event of a fire and familiarizes employees with hazardous materials/Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS). The Director of Residence Life provides, or coordinates Residence Life staff training related to fire safety and emergency protocols. Training topics include procedures to follow when a fire is discovered, fire precautions, evacuation procedures, staff's role during a fire or other emergencies, procedures for operating the fire alarm and fire alarm related equipment, etc. The Residence Life Coordinator in each hall conduct residence hall meetings with all hall residents each semester to present fire-related evacuation and fire safety information as contained in the Resident Life Handbook. Resident Assistants attend hall meetings, but also receive additional training from the Residence life Coordinator and other full-time Residence Life staff.

Fire Safety Education and Training (Student Housing Residents)

As part of the application process, residents and potential residents are informed of the online Residence Life Handbook, which contains information on fire safety – procedures to follow when a fire is discovered, fire precautions, evacuation procedures, and evacuation procedures for students with disabilities. Building evacuation and fire drills procedures are discussed with students during residence hall meetings at the beginning of each semester and during the semester as needed. Residents of each residence hall practice building evacuation procedures during fire drills.

Roles of Resident Life Staff and Other Personnel Assisting During an Emergency

Personnel that will take active parts in fire safety training and related emergency protocol, emergency notification and evacuation procedures include:

Director of Residence Life

The Director of Residence Life supervises the Eastern Arizona College Residence Life Program along with related hall staff (i.e., part-time residence life coordinators, resident assistants, and work-study students). The Director is responsible for coordinating Residence Life staff training related to fire safety and emergency protocols. The Director has an established working relationship with Campus Police and local emergency services to address safety concerns as they arise and receives updated protocol as necessary to train staff concerning the most recent guidelines. The Director is familiar with all hall evacuation procedures and emergency responses. The Director is responsible for maintaining the Fire Log, updating the Residence Life Handbook on an annual basis, and other residential student material related to fire safety as needed.

Residence Life Coordinator

The Residence Life Coordinator is the lead person in the hall who will act in coordination with emergency service personnel and Campus Police during a reported fire and/or building evacuation. The Residence Life Coordinator will be responsible for assigning appropriate Residence Life staff, within their area of responsibility, duties that will assist the Residence Life Coordinator in the evacuation of building or any other related safety protocol. At the direction of emergency personnel or Campus Police, the Residence Life Coordinator will give the residents notice to reenter the building when the "all clear" has been given.

Resident Assistants

Resident Assistants are utilized in all halls to assist the Residence Life Coordinator during an emergency evacuation of the building for any reason and are assigned to specific areas within the hall to check to make sure students have evacuated appropriately. They are also available to assist emergency personnel as needed or requested.

Campus Police

Campus Police are familiar with the evacuation process of each resident hall on campus in the event Residence Life staff are unavailable. Campus Police can order an evacuation of a building where a threat is immediate or imminent. Campus Police would follow the building evacuation guideline where necessary and may initiate an evacuation by activating a fire pull alarm. When they arrive on scene, Campus Police are the acting authority in coordination with any emergency services personnel as appropriate.

Office Receptionist/Work Study Students

Office personnel are available for students to report a fire or emergency in the office areas of each hall. These personnel would contact 911 and Hall staff as quickly as possible but will also activate fire pull stations in the event of a fire report or related situation that would require evacuation of building. They will follow the directions of emergency personnel or supervisory staff in the hall.

Fire Log

A fire log containing all reported fires that occurred at any of the four student housing facilities is maintained on-site at the Thatcher Campus. The log contains the date the fire was reported, the nature of the fire, the date and time of the fire, and the general location of the fire. The log is available during normal business hours at the Housing Office, located at 900 N. College Avenue, Thatcher, AZ.

Fire Statistics

The following tables contain the fire statistics for all on-campus student housing at Eastern Arizona College.

2020 Fire Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)

Residential Facilities	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries Requiring Medical Treatment	Number of Fire Related Deaths	Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire ¹
Mark Allen,						
1055 North Stadium Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00
Niell'e Lee						
Nellie Lee, 916 North College Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00
510 North College Ave.		U	IV/A	0	0	0.00
Residence Towers,						
900 North College Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00
Wesley Taylor,						
853 North Stadium Ave.						
(dorm was closed and	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
unoccupied since 2017)	IN/A	N/A	N/A	IN/A	IN/A	IN/A

¹ Value are in dollars.

2021 Fire Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)

Residential Facilities	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries Requiring Medical Treatment	Number of Fire Related Deaths	Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire ¹
Mark Allen,						
1055 North Stadium Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00
Nellie Lee, 916 North College Ave.	0	0	N /A	0	0	0.00
Residence Towers, 900 North College Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00
Wesley Taylor, 853 North Stadium Ave. – (dorm was closed and	21/2	21/2	N/A	21/2	21/2	21/2
unoccupied since Fall '17)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

¹ Value are in dollars.

2022 Fire Statistics and Related Information Regarding Fires in Residential Facilities (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31)

Residential Facilities	Total Fires in Each Building	Fire Number	Cause of Fire	Number of Injuries Requiring Medical Treatment	Number of Fire Related Deaths	Value of Property Damage Caused by Fire ¹
Mark Allen,						
1055 North Stadium Ave.	0	0	N /A	0	0	0.00
Nellie Lee, 916 North College Ave.	0	0	N /A	0	0	0.00
Residence Towers, 900 North College Ave.	0	0	N /A	0	0	0.00
Wesley Taylor, 853 North Stadium Ave.	0	0	N/A	0	0	0.00

¹ Value are in dollars.

Plans for Future Improvements in Fire Safety

Renovations will begin in October of 2023 to the Mark Allen residence hall, and a new addressable fire alarm system will be installed. Each room and all hallways will have voice evacuation sounder bases that will provide evacuation commands by voice, siren, and flashing lights (for those who may be hearing impaired). Other upgrades include the installation of duct smoke detectors in the mechanical systems. No improvements are planned for the three other residence halls at this time. Eastern Arizona College, along with the Arizona State Fire Marshall, will continue to inspect, maintain, and test all fire safety systems, equipment, and devices, as is the current practice. Any fire safety equipment and/or fire-related device(s) found to be malfunctioning or broken will be repaired or replaced as deemed necessary to maintain a safe living and working environment for student residents and employees.