

**WAC 132M-125-005 Student responsibilities.** (1) Lower Columbia College, an agency of the state of Washington, exists for the development of students and to provide a variety of educational opportunities, and the opportunity to examine cultural, social, and recreational aspects of society. Lower Columbia College, as an institution of society, must maintain conditions conducive to the effective performance of its functions. Consequently, Lower Columbia College has special expectations regarding the conduct of students. Student conduct that detracts from, or interferes with, the accomplishment of college purposes is not acceptable.

(2) The student is, first of all, a member of the community at large, and as such has the rights and responsibilities of any citizen. In addition, admission to Lower Columbia College carries with it the presumption that students will conduct themselves as responsible members of the college community. This includes an expectation that students will obey the law, will comply with rules and regulations of the college, will maintain a high standard of integrity and honesty, and will respect the rights, privileges and property of other members of the college community. Lower Columbia College expects an environment of integrity, respect, collaboration, cooperation, diversity, and innovation that fosters personal growth, academic excellence and accountability.

(3) Students are responsible for their conduct. These standards of conduct for students promote Lower Columbia College's educational purposes and provide students a full understanding of their rights and responsibilities. Sanctions for violations of the standards of conduct for students will be administered under this chapter. When violations of laws of the state of Washington and/or the United States are also involved, the college may refer such matters to proper authorities and in the case of minors, this conduct may be referred to parents or legal guardians.

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