

WSR 21-24-019
PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY
COMMUNITY COLLEGES
OF SPOKANE

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Subject of Possible Rule Making: Amend chapter 132Q-10 WAC, Standards of conduct for students.

Statutes Authorizing the Agency to Adopt Rules on this Subject: RCW 28B.50.140.

Reasons Why Rules on this Subject may be Needed and What They Might Accomplish: On August 21, 2015, the Community Colleges of Spokane (CCS) adopted permanent rules in order to be compliant with the printed amendment to Title IX regulations. Updates to the rules is necessary in order to add new language clarifying the appeal process including that parties have the right to appeal the dismissal of a formal complaint as well as language clarifying a president's authority to appoint an administrative law judge or third party to serve as hearing officer. In addition, on August 4, 2020, the Washington Court of Appeals Division III filed an opinion regarding academic misconduct in the *Daniel Nelson v. Spokane Community College* case (No. 36556-5-III). CCS will provide clarification regarding its treatment of academic misconduct to ensure compliance with the decision of the court of appeals.

Other Federal and State Agencies that Regulate this Subject and the Process Coordinating the Rule with These Agencies: Not applicable.

Process for Developing New Rule: Agency study.

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting Glen Cosby, Vice President of Student Services, 1810 North Greene Street, Spokane, WA 99217-5320, phone 509-533-7015, TTY 1-800-833-6384, email Glen.Cosby@scc.spokane.edu, website <https://ccs.spokane.edu/About-Us/Public-Disclosures#RuleMaking>; or Keith Sayles, Vice President of Student and Administrative Services, 3410 West Whistalks Way, Spokane, WA 99224-5204, phone 509-533-3514, TTY 1-800-833-6384, email Keith.Sayles@sfcc.spokane.edu, website <https://ccs.spokane.edu/About-Us/Public-Disclosures#RuleMaking>.

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