



# Maintenance of Public Order on Campus

## Section 6430 of the Education Law 2003, Chapter 597

On May 11, 2004, the Legislature of the State of New York passed legislation amending the language in the State Education Law concerning maintenance of public order on college campuses. The Law now states:

### § 6430. General provisions.

1. The trustees or other governing board of every college chartered by the regents or incorporated by special act of the legislature, and which maintains a campus, unless otherwise provided, shall adopt written rules for implementing all policies required pursuant to this article and for the maintenance of public order on college campuses and other college property used for educational purposes and provide a program for the enforcement thereof. Such rules shall prohibit, among other things, any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization. Such rules shall govern the conduct of students, faculty and other staff as well as visitors and other licensees and invitees on such campuses and property. The penalties for violations of such rules shall be clearly set forth therein and shall include provisions for the ejection of a violator from such campus and property, in the case of a student or faculty violator his or her suspension, expulsion, or other appropriate disciplinary action, and in the case of an organization which authorizes such conduct, rescission of permission for that organization to operate on campus property. Such penalties shall be in addition to any penalty pursuant to the penal law or any other law to which a violator or organization may be subject.
2. A copy of such rules shall be given to all students enrolled in said college and shall be deemed to be part of the by-laws of all organizations operating on said campus which shall review annually such by-laws with individuals affiliated with such organizations.

The Education Law requires that the trustees, or other governing board, of every college adopt rules and regulations to comply with provisions of the legislation and provide a program for the enforcement thereof. In accordance with this requirement, the Board of Trustees of Webb Institute promulgated the appropriate changes in the Rules and Regulations for the Maintenance of Public Order on Campus and placed them in effect as of 1 November 1980.

The Student Court, Honor Council, Director of Student Services, and the President's office have the authority when considering disciplinary action, to apply the sanctions outlined in Section 6430 of this law, in any situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health of any student or employee or involves the forced consumption of liquor by anyone on this campus.

A copy of this Instruction is to be included in each student's Student Organization Handbook, and each employee's Personnel and Benefits Guide and posted publicly on the website.

The senior person in each staff and administrative department or office will ensure that the contents of this Instruction is brought to the attention of everyone under his/her supervision.