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**San Bernardino Community College District**  
**Board Policy**  
Chapter 5 – Student Services

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**BP 5500 STANDARDS OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

*(Replaces current SBCCD BP 5500)*

The Chancellor shall be responsible for procedures that impose discipline on students in accordance with due process outlined in federal and state law and regulations.

The procedures shall clearly define the conduct that is subject to discipline, and shall identify potential disciplinary actions, including but not limited to the removal, suspension, or expulsion of a student.

The Board shall consider any recommendation from the Chancellor for expulsion. The Board shall consider an expulsion recommendation in closed session unless the student requests that the matter be considered in a public meeting. Final action by the Board on the expulsion shall be taken at a public meeting.

The procedures shall be made widely available to students through the college catalog and other means.

The following behaviors are subject to disciplinary action ranging from verbal reprimand through removal, suspension, or expulsion of a student.

1. Causing, attempting to cause, or threatening to cause physical injury to one's self or to another person.

2. Possession, sale or otherwise furnishing any firearm, knife, explosive or other dangerous object(s), including but not limited to any facsimile firearm, knife or explosive, unless, in the case of possession of any object of this type, the student has obtained written permission to possess the item from a District employee and approved by the college president, unless specifically prohibited by law.

3. Unlawful possession, use, sale, offer to sell, or furnishing, or being under the influence of, any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the California Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind; or unlawful possession of, or offering, arranging or negotiating the sale of any drug paraphernalia, as defined in California Health and Safety Code Section 11014.5.

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46 4. Committing or attempting to commit robbery or extortion.  
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48 5. Causing or attempting to cause damage to District property or to private property on  
49 campus.  
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51 6. Stealing or attempting to steal District property or private property on campus, or  
52 knowingly receiving stolen District property or private property on campus.  
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54 7. Willful or persistent smoking in any area where smoking has been prohibited by law  
55 or by regulation of the college or the District.  
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57 8. Committing sexual harassment as defined by law or by District policies and  
58 procedures.  
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60 9. Engaging in harassing or discriminatory behavior based on disability, gender, gender  
61 identity, gender expression, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, or  
62 any other status protected by law.  
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64 10. Willful misconduct which results in injury or death to a student or to college  
65 personnel or which results in cutting, defacing, or other injury to any real or personal  
66 property owned by the District or on campus.  
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68 11. Disruptive behavior, willful disobedience, habitual profanity or vulgarity, or the open  
69 and persistent defiance of the authority of, or persistent abuse of, college personnel.  
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71 12. Cheating, plagiarism (including plagiarism in a student publication), or engaging in  
72 other academic dishonesty.  
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74 13. Dishonesty; forgery; alteration or misuse of college documents, records or  
75 identification; or knowingly furnishing false information to the District.  
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77 14. Unauthorized entry upon or use of college facilities.  
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79 15. Lewd, indecent or obscene conduct on District-owned or controlled property, or at  
80 District-sponsored or supervised functions.  
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82 16. Engaging in expression which is obscene; libelous or slanderous; or which so incites  
83 students as to create a clear and present danger of the commission of unlawful acts on  
84 college premises, or the violation of lawful District administrative procedures, or the  
85 substantial disruption of the orderly operation of the District.  
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87 17. Persistent, serious misconduct where other means of correction have failed to bring  
88 about proper conduct.  
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90 18. Unauthorized preparation, giving, selling, transfer, distribution, or publication, for any  
91 commercial purpose, of any contemporaneous recording of an academic presentation in  
92 a classroom or equivalent site of instruction, including but not limited to handwritten or  
93 typewritten class notes, except as permitted by any District policy or administrative  
94 procedure.

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96 19. Hazing, defined as including any method of initiation into a student organization or  
97 any pastime or amusement engaged in with respect to such an organization that  
98 causes, or is likely to cause, bodily danger or physical harm to any student or other  
99 person attending any school, college, university or other educational institution in this  
100 State.

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102 20. Engaging in intimidating conduct or bullying against another student through words  
103 or actions, including direct physical contact; verbal assaults, such as teasing or name-  
104 calling; social isolation or manipulation; and cyberbullying.

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106 The standards shall be available to students in the college catalog and college  
107 publications.

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109 **References:** Education Code Sections 66300 and 66301;  
110 ACCJC Accreditation Standards I.C.8 and 10 (formerly II.A.7.b)

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