



(PR #18) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Admission and Community Expectations

Itawamba Community College extends the privilege of admission to individuals who meet its academic requirements and uphold the standards of health, character and conduct expected of students. With admission comes a range of privileges not available to the general public – privileges that carry with them important responsibilities.

This section outlines the rights and responsibilities that define student life at ICC and reflects our commitment to fostering a safe, respectful, and academically focused college community.

Student Rights

Students at Itawamba Community College are entitled to the following general and specific rights:

- 1. Academic Opportunity**

The right to access and participate in educational programs offered in the College *Catalog*, provided the student meets the necessary qualifications.

- 2. Organizational Participation**

The right to join college-recognized organizations for educational, political, social, religious and cultural engagement.

- 3. Institutional Input**

The right to express concerns and offer suggestions regarding college policies and procedures through participation in the Student Government Association, representation on approved college committees and communication with appropriate administrative offices.

- 4. Personal Dignity**

The right to be treated with respect and dignity. This includes protection from any form of degradation, harassment or coercion not in alignment with institutional policies or community standards.

5. Freedom of Expression

The right to freedom of speech and expression as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, within the bounds of federal, state and institutional regulations.

6. Due Process

The right to fair and equitable procedures in disciplinary matters, ensuring that student behavior is reviewed in a consistent and just manner.

7. Appeal and Review

The right to appeal decisions and request a review by the President of the College or a designated representative to ensure proper administrative due process has been followed.

Student Responsibilities

As members of the ICC community, students agree to respect the College's values and expectations by fulfilling the following responsibilities:

1. Awareness of College Policies and Procedures

The responsibility for being familiar with and adhering to the policies and procedures outlined in the ICC *Catalog*, *Student Guide*, official college website and other authorized college publications.

2. Accountability for Conduct

The responsibility to take ownership of one's actions and to avoid behavior that negatively impacts others or the College community.

3. Respect for Authority and Others

The responsibility to recognize and respect institutional authority, observe standards of honesty and integrity, protect both private and public property and treat others with civility and fairness.

4. Support for Campus/Location Order

The responsibility to uphold the orderly and respectful environment essential to the College's educational mission.

5. Financial Obligations

The responsibility to meet all financial obligations to the College in a timely manner.

6. Class Attendance

The responsibility to attend classes regularly and be actively engaged in academic pursuits.

7. Compliance with College Regulations

The responsibility to observe additional policies applicable to various aspects of college life, including residence halls, campus/location traffic and social behavior.

8. Personal Appearance

The responsibility to dress in a manner that reflects personal pride and is appropriate for a learning environment. Attire that disrupts the educational or social setting will not be permitted.