

## Administrative Procedure 3510 Workplace Violence

Reference: Cal/OSHA: Labor Code Sections 6300 et seg;

Title 8 Section 3203;

Code of Civil Procedure Section 527.8

Penal Code Sections 273.6, 626.9, and 626.10

The West Hills Community College District is committed to providing a safe work environment free of violence and the threat of violence.

## Responding to Threats of Violence

The top priority in this process is effectively handling critical workplace incidents, especially those dealing with actual or potential violence.

Violence or the threat of violence against or by any employee of the District, or any other person, is unacceptable.

Should a non-employee on District property demonstrate or threaten violent behavior, he/she/they may be subject to criminal prosecution.

Should an employee, during working hours, demonstrate or threaten violent behavior he/she/they may be subject to disciplinary action.

The following are violent acts:

- Striking, punching, slapping, or assaulting another person
- Fighting or challenging another person to fight
- Grabbing, pinching, or touching another person in an unwanted way whether sexually or otherwise
- Engaging in dangerous, threatening, or unwanted horseplay
- The possession, use, or threats of use, of a firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object including, but not limited to, any facsimile firearm, knife, or explosive on District property, including parking lots, other exterior premises, District vehicles, or while engaged in activities for the District in other locations, unless such possession or use is a requirement of the job
- Threatening harm or harming another person, or any other action or conduct that implies the threat of bodily harm
- Bringing or possessing any dirk, dagger, ice pick, or knife having a fixed blade longer than 2½ inches upon the grounds, unless the person is authorized to possess such a weapon in the course of his/her/their employment, has been authorized by a District employee to have the knife, or is a duly appointed peace officer who is engaged in the performance of his/her/their duties

Any employee who is the victim of any violent, threatening, or harassing conduct, any witness to such conduct, or anyone receiving a report of such conduct whether the

perpetrator is a District employee or a non-employee, shall immediately report the incident to his/her/their supervisor or other appropriate person.

West Hills College Coalinga/Firebaugh Center IN AN EMERGENCY Campus Police/Security Administration (Coalinga) Administration (Firebaugh) Maintenance & Operations Director of Residential Living Dean of Student Services Dean of Educational Services Dean of Firebaugh Center Vice President of Student Services Vice President of Educational Services President's Office	911 559-934-2202 559-934-2500 559-934-2254 559-934-2373 559-934-2712 559-934-2957 559-934-2334 559-934-2222 559-934-2200
West Hills College Lemoore IN AN EMERGENCY Campus Police/Security Administration Maintenance & Operations Dean of Student Services Dean of Educational Services Vice President of Student Services Vice President of Educational Services President's Office	911 559-925-3250 559-925-3499 559-925-3127 559-925-3738 559-925-3331 559-925-3221 559-925-3200
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No one, acting in good faith, who initiates a complaint or reports an incident under this policy will be subject to retaliation or harassment.

Any employee reported to be a perpetrator will be provided both due process and representation before disciplinary action is taken.

In the event the District fears for the safety of the perpetrator or the safety of others at the scene of the violent act, the appropriate law enforcement agency will be contacted.

See Administrative Procedure 6800, Occupational Safety

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