## BP7100 CHILDREN ON CAMPUS

## **Background**

The primary mission of Big Bend Community College is to serve the educational, social and cultural needs of the adult learners of the local service district population and other adult Washington State residents.

The College is a public institution of the state of Washington, and as such it is available to its students as well as to the general public who may wish to use its facilities, learn about its services and programs or attend functions. Individuals have the right to use the facilities of the College and to visit the campus during normal business hours of operation.

The College recognizes that children often appropriately accompany adults during visits to campus. However, children must be under the supervision of an adult at all times. It is inappropriate for the adult to ask members of the college community such as administrators, faculty, staff, or students to assume the responsibilities of child care, unless he or she is leaving the child in a college program sanctioned for children as defined in these procedures.

Children may disrupt the educational process or the work setting when left on campus without supervision or when supervision is imposed on College employees or other students. Leaving children unsupervised may also create unsafe conditions for the children themselves or for others on the College campus.

## **Policy Statement**

The college will establish procedures relating to the presence of children on campus in order to create a safer environment on campus and all other BBCC educational sites, which is conducive to the mission of the College and maintains an orderly and effective educational process.

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