**3356-8-01 Authority to establish and enforce a student code of conduct.**

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Responsible Division/Office: Student Affairs

Responsible Officer: Dean of Students and Ombudsperson

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Board Committee: Academic Excellence and Student Success

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(A) Policy statement. The board of trustees delegates its authority and responsibility for student conduct to the president. Youngstown state university is committed to an educational environment which encourages the safety, fair treatment, and intellectual and social development of all students. On behalf of the president, the dean of students and ombudsperson establishes and enforces regulations regarding student conduct.

(B) Definition. “The Student Code of Conduct” is the official university document outlining student rights, responsibilities, and regulations regarding academic dishonesty, due process, and disciplinary procedures. The intent of “The Student Code of Conduct” is to inform the university community of these rights, responsibilities, and expectations.

(C) Parameter. The dean of students and ombudsperson is responsible for enforcing all procedures and regulations pertaining to student rights, responsibilities, and conduct as outlined in “The Student Code of Conduct.”

(D) Procedures.

(1) “The Student Code of Conduct” is distributed to new students during orientation and is available on the Youngstown state university website at: <https://ysu.edu/student-conduct/code-conduct>.

(2) Individual students and student organizations are expected to be familiar with and follow the regulations outlined in “The Student Code of Conduct” and will be subject to disciplinary action if one or more of the regulations are violated.

(3) Complaints of student misconduct may be filed by contacting community standards and student conduct. Complaints of academic dishonesty may be filed in the office of the provost and vice president for academic affairs.

(4) “The Student Code of Conduct” is reviewed periodically and distributed widely among the campus community at least every five years. Any member of the university community may recommend a change in “The “Student Code of Conduct” through the dean of students and ombudsperson.