

December 11, 2019

**TO:** THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

**FROM:** SANFORD C. SHUGART

President

**RE:** POLICY ADOPTIONS

The following new policy is proposed for adoption in order to clarify the College's policy and practice with respect to the provision of reasonable accommodations to employees and applicants for employment with documented disabilities, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations:

• College Policy 6Hx28: 02-02 Workplace Accommodations for Applicants and Employees

Amendments to the policies listed below are proposed to better align with applicable laws and regulations, to eliminate obsolete language, and to reflect current and improved practices:

- College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.3 Workers' Compensation and Illness or Injury In Line of Duty Leave
- College Policy 6Hx28: 10-01 Reporting Incidents or Injuries

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION:

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The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College approve Policies 6Hx28: 02-02 Workplace Accommodations for Applicants and Employees; 6Hx28: 3D-06.3 Workers' Compensation and Illness or Injury In Line of Duty Leave; and 6Hx28: 10-01 Reporting Incidents or Injuries, as presented.



POLICY: 6Hx28:10-01

**Responsible Executive:** Vice President,

Business Operations and Finance **Policy Contacts:** Assistant Vice

President, Operations

**Specific Authority:** 1001.64, F.S. **Law Implemented:** 1001.64, F.S.

**Effective Date:** 11-18-199212-11-2019

Date of Last Policy Review: 11 18 1992

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# **Reporting** Incidents, Accidents, or Injuries

## Policy Statement:

Incidents, accidents, or injuries occurring on campus or at college sponsored off campus events which involve employees or students shall be reported immediately to a department chair or supervisor. Such department chair or supervisor shall in turn complete and mail all proper forms to the college risk-management office. Reports of incidents and injuries occurring on any Valencia campus or at a College-sponsored event wherever located, should be made as soon as possible to a representative of Safety and Security Services so that an appropriate response can be initiated and a security incident report completed. If the incident or injury involves an employee, the employee's supervisor or designee should also be notified for evaluation and appropriate action as applicable. The College President, or designee(s), shall establish procedures to implement this policy.

#### **Policy History:**

Adopted 12-11-74; Amended 12-15-82; Formerly 6Hx28:4-18; Amended 11-18-92; <u>Amended 12-11-2019</u>; Formerly 6Hx28:04-12

#### **Related Documents/Policies:**

College Policy 6Hx28: 3A-08 Unpaid Internships

College Policy 6Hx28: 3A-09 Volunteers

College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.3 Workers' Compensation and Illness-or-Injury-In-Line-of-Duty Leave

College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.2 Fitness for Duty
College Policy 6Hx28: 8-03 Student Code of Conduct

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## (NEW PROCEDURE LANGUAGE)

#### **Procedures:**

The procedures describe the process for reporting incidents and injuries to employees, students, interns, contractors, volunteers, or visitors on any of the Valencia campuses or during United States or international travel:

#### I. Definitions:

- A. Contractor An independent business or any of its employees, representatives, or agents contracted by the College to provide specific services or work to the college in accordance with Florida law. A contractor is not an employee of the college.
- B. Employee An individual paid a salary or wage by the College and filling an established full-time or part-time position at the College.
- C. Incident Incidents may include without limitation accidents, motor vehicle collisions, property damage, property theft, injuries, emergencies, nuisance or suspicious activities, criminal activities, health and/or safety concerns, etc.
- D. Intern A student enrolled in an internship program at Valencia College or other institution of higher education who is completing an unpaid, practical, career-learning experience where learning is the primary objective. For additional information, see College Policy 6Hx28: 3A-08 Unpaid Internships.
- E. Security Incident Report Report completed by a representative of Valencia College Security Services regarding incidents and/or injuries that includes detailed information and applicable witness statements, pictures, drawings, etc.

#### F. Student

- 1. An individual who has been notified of their acceptance for admission to Valencia College; an individual enrolled in a class(es) at Valencia College; or an individual in between terms and has a continuing relationship with Valencia; or
- 2.An individual who is an enrolled student in another higher educational institution and attending a class(es) on a Valencia campus.

For additional information on defining a student, see College Policy 6Hx28: 8-03 Student Code of Conduct.

- G. Visitor Individual not affiliated with the college as a student, employee, volunteer, or contractor.
- H. Volunteer Volunteers are individuals who perform services directly related to the activities of the college for their own benefit, to support the humanitarian, educational, charitable or public service activities of the college, or to gain

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experience in specific endeavors. There is no employment relationship between the college and the volunteer, and volunteers thus perform services without promise, expectation or receipt of any compensation, future employment or any other tangible benefit. For additional information to defining a volunteer, see College Policy 6Hx28: 3A-09 Volunteers.

## II. Reporting Incidents and Injuries

A. Incidents and injuries should be reported as soon as possible to a representative of Safety and Security (see list in Appendix A) for completion of a "Security Incident Report". (Note: Employees shall notify their direct supervisor or designee as soon as possible.) If emergency services are first called for an incident or injury, the reporting party shall also immediately contact a representative of Safety and Security for completion of a "Security Incident Report". Incidents and injuries shall be managed and may require further investigation and action based on the severity of circumstances by the appropriate authority(ies) on the matter (i.e. Safety and Security, law enforcement, Organizational Development and Human Resources, Risk Management, Student Affairs, Office of Information Technology, etc.).

## III. Reporting Injuries

## A. Reporting Employee and Volunteer Injuries – In-District:

- 1. Employees and volunteers injured on a College campus or at a College sponsored event wherever located in district shall immediately report the injury to their supervisor or designee and a representative of Safety and Security (see list in Appendix A) for completion of a "Security Incident Report." If the injury is serious and requires emergency services and the employee or volunteer is transported for treatment, the supervisor or designee shall immediately report the injury to Safety and Security and the employee or volunteer shall complete a statement as soon as possible. For additional information on work related injuries or illness, see College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.3, Workers' Compensation and Illness or Injury In Line of Duty Leave.
- 2. Employee Injuries-Travel Outside of the College District:
  - a. Travel outside the United States with the Study Abroad and Global Experiences (SAGE) program Employees who sustain an injury while on official college business when traveling outside of the United States as part of the SAGE program, shall follow <u>SAGE</u> program guidelines and expectations.
  - b. Travel within and all other travel outside the United States Employees who sustain an injury while on official College business when traveling outside of the district (within or outside the United States and other countries) shall immediately report the injury to their supervisor and a representative of Safety and Security for completion

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of the "Security Incident Report" at 407-582-1000, via the college website at valenciacollege.edu/security/reporting.cfm or through the Valencia College Safety Mobile App. If the injury is serious and requires emergency services and the employee is transported for treatment, the supervisor or designee shall immediately report the injury to Safety and Security and the employee shall complete a statement as soon as possible. For additional information on work related injuries or illness, see College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.3, Workers' Compensation and Illness or Injury In Line of Duty Leave.

3.Employee Post-Accident or Injury Drug and/or Alcohol Test – Employees involved in a work-related accident or injury may be required to submit to a post-accident drug and/or alcohol test. For additional information, see College Policy 6Hx28: 3D-06.2 Fitness for Duty. Failure to submit to the test(s) and participate may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment, and may also include workers' compensation benefits suspension, if applicable.

### B. Reporting Student, Intern, Contractor, and Visitor Injuries:

- 1. Students, interns, contractors, or visitors injured on campus or at a College sponsored event wherever located shall immediately report the injury for completion of a "Security Incident Report" to a representative of Safety and Security via phone (see list in Appendix A), via the college website at valenciacollege.edu/security/reporting.cfm, or through the Valencia College Safety Mobile App. If the injury is serious, requires emergency services, and the student, intern, contractor, or visitor is transported for treatment, any witness may immediately report the injury to Safety and Security and the injured party shall complete a statement as soon as possible.
- 2. Travel outside the United States with the Study Abroad and Global Experiences (SAGE) program Students who sustain an injury while on official college business when traveling outside of the United States as part of the SAGE program, shall follow <u>SAGE</u> program guidelines and expectations.
- 3. The health insurance coverage of visitors, interns, and students shall be primary coverage with respect to injuries they sustain on a College campus or during a college sponsored event wherever located. Contractors shall refer to their employer for guidance on injury coverage.

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Date of Last Procedure Review: 12-11-2019

## **Related Documents/Policies:**

**Appendix A: Security Services Contact Numbers** 

Campus	Phone Number
Advanced Manufacturing Training Center	407-582-4000
District Office	407-582-3000
Downtown Center	407-582-1000
East Campus	407-582-2000
Fire Rescue Training Facility	407-582-1000
Lake Nona Campus	407-582-7000
Osceola Campus	407-582-4000
Poinciana Campus	407-582-6500
School of Public Safety	407-582-8000
West Campus	407-582-1000
Winter Garden Facility	407-582-1000
Winter Park Campus	407-582-6000

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