

DSC

STUDENT SERVICES
INCLUDING
STUDENT HANDBOOK

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Services include Academic Resources (Counseling and Career Services, Disability Support Services, Testing, First Year Experience, Advising, Peer Instruction), New Student Orientation, Judicial Affairs, and Student Activities. These services are administered by the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services.

ACADEMIC RESOURCES

Phone: 272-4429

Hours: M-Th 8:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M.; F 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M.

Located in the lower level of the Pope Student Center, LIA 303 and 107

Website: <http://www.daltonstate.edu/ar>.

Academic Resources promotes engagement, achievement, and lifelong learning by supporting and encouraging student exploration in academics, career, and self. AR is committed to working collaboratively with, fostering communication in, and serving as a resource for all facets of the college and appropriate areas of the community. The Department consciously strives to blend Academic Affairs with Student and Enrollment Services in an effort to holistically provide our students with skills and opportunity for success. AR will frequently assess our practices and policies and act on the findings to adapt programs and services accordingly to serve an ever changing campus environment and student population.

AR Services include:

- Academic strategy and personal enrichment workshops (see AR website for topics, dates, times)
- Academic counseling assistance with study skills, test anxiety, time management

Academic Advising Center:

The Academic Advising Center, located in Room 107 of the Lorberbaum Liberal Arts Building (LIA), advises all General Studies majors and new degree seeking students during their first 15 credit hours and until they have exited all required learning support courses. The Advising Center also advises certificate students and transfer students with two or more learning support requirements. The Advising Center is staffed with a combination of fulltime professional advisors and faculty advisors.

The Advising Center provides the students' first contact with the College after acceptance to Dalton State. In addition to course selection and registration, advisors help students adjust to the college experience by explaining college expectations and policies, checking the students' academic progress and referring them to available resources. When students have exited any required learning support classes and have earned approximately 15 credit hours, they are moved to faculty advisors in their majors. General Studies majors remain with the Advising Center as long as they are General Studies majors (see page 108 for information on Faculty academic advising)

Computer Lab

- Career and academic software
- Word Processing Programs
- E-mail access
- Catalogs and applications for other colleges/universities online

Counseling and Career Services

The Counseling and Career Services Office, housed under Academic Resources, provides students a variety of services including personal, career, and academic counseling, personal enrichment workshops, and job listings. In addition, the staff is involved in outreach programming and consultative services to the campus community. The office for Counseling and Career Services is located downstairs in the Pope Student Center, inside the Academic Resources Office.

Personal Counseling

Short-term individual counseling is available to all Dalton State College students. Individual counseling is an opportunity to talk confidentially with a counselor about private concerns and to facilitate personal growth. Such concerns may include: depression, anxiety, grief, sexuality, substance abuse, and body image. Some students find it helpful to seek advice because they are worried about other students, friends, or family members. All personal counseling is provided in a supportive and confidential atmosphere and is free of charge to Dalton State College students. Referrals can be made to community resources if medication, long-term counseling, or evaluations are needed.

Career Planning and Development

Career counseling assists students with making decisions regarding career choices, choosing a major, and with developing plans to meet their career goals. Several career assessment instruments are available, as are one-on-one sessions, designed to help students discover their interests, abilities, and values related to the world of work.

Assistance is available to help students with resume writing, learning how to conduct job searches, and acquiring effective interviewing skills. Furthermore, information on current career trends, job outlook, salary projections, information on state and national colleges/universities, and scholarships is maintained as a service to students. Two career fairs are hosted each year where students are able to pursue employment, internship opportunities, and co-op experience. (see page 107 for more information on Co-op)

Personal Enrichment Workshops

A series of workshops are held throughout the year. Workshop topics focus on academic, mental health and personal enrichment topics and include: study skills/testing, anger management, stress management, communication skills, interviewing and resume-writing skills, depression management, and suicide awareness.

Job Listing/Job Board

The office maintains a web-based listing of off-campus employment opportunities with local employers. Students seeking seasonal, full-time, or part-time positions are encouraged to review the job boards frequently as postings are updated daily. There are two locations to review jobs posted for DSC students. The online job board is located on the DSC website at www.daltonstate.edu/ar/job_board. The physical job board is located outside Academic Resources, downstairs in the Pope Student Center.

Disability Support Services

Dalton State College provides equal access for all students to programs, facilities, and services of the College. It is the student's responsibility to voluntarily self-disclose a disability to the College, and apply for reasonable accommodations in a timely manner, and according to the process established by the College:

- **Contact** Academic Resources to discuss the process for self-disclosing a disability and requesting accommodations.
- **Provide** a completed application and professional documentation that meets the University System of Georgia guidelines, and permit documentation to be assessed according to USG guidelines (the eligibility process may take up to 30 days).
- **Allow** a minimum of 30 days to implement accommodations, once eligibility is determined.

Dalton State College serves students with disabilities fully and completely. To schedule an appointment to request services or more information, please contact:

Mary Andrews or Linda Wheeler
Dalton State College
Academic Resources - Disability Support Services
Lower Level, Pope Student Center
650 College Drive, Dalton, GA 30720, 706-272-4429

Students who are unable to come to Academic Resources to request services, should call 706-272-4429.

Disability Support Services Grievance Policy and Procedure

Dalton State College desires to provide appropriate and effective Disability Support Services (DSS), that comply with all federal, state, local, University System of Georgia, and Dalton State College (DSC) mandates and guidelines. *Any individual* who is of the opinion that our efforts to provide Disability Support Services are non-compliant or are discriminatory, have the following DSS Grievance Procedure to use to seek resolution of the concern.

- Complete the Grievance Form, found on the back of the Disability Support Services Grievance Policy brochure. (The brochure is available in Academic Resources, the Office of Enrollment Services, the Office of Academic Affairs, and on the web at www.daltonstate.edu/ar/disability.) Provide all requested information.
- Submit the Grievance Form, within 30 days of the last attempt at resolution, in person, by appointment, to an individual selected from the list provided below. Be prepared to discuss the concern and any additional information that is requested, and to accept a follow-up appointment within 10 college business days.
- If needed, participate in additional meetings and activities necessary to resolve the concern.

The individual who receives the Grievance will:

- A. Review the grievance, and record on a Grievance Documentation Form any additional information generated during the visit.
- B. Attempt an immediate resolution of the concern, if feasible. If an immediate resolution is not feasible, schedule a follow-up appointment with the individual within ten (10) College business days, and record the plan and appointment on the bottom of the Grievance Documentation Form. Sign the form, along with the individual, and provide the individual with a copy of the Form.
- C. Within three to five (3-5) College business days, prepare and mail, to the address provided at the top of the Grievance Form, a follow-up letter confirming the receipt of the completed Grievance Form, and the follow-up appointment.

- D. Within the next ten (10) College business days, gather additional information and determine the individuals to be involved in the resolution process. Guide the determination of plausible resolutions to the concern.
- E. Document all resolution activities on DSS Grievance Documentation Forms.
- F. Meet with the student, as previously scheduled, and discuss the status of the Grievance and proposed resolutions. Schedule a follow-up appointment with the student within 3 College business days to sign the final resolution agreement letter. Prepare a letter to the student that outlines details of the resolution, individuals responsible for the components of the resolution, and timeframes for implementation.
- G. In person, at the previously scheduled appointment, the student and the individual coordinating the resolution process, will be expected to sign the resolution agreement letter and an exact duplicate of the original, for the DSS file. The student will be given the original letter and a copy of the duplicate. A copy of the original letter and the duplicate will be placed in the student's DSS file. A copy will be provided to each of the aggrieved parties, and to the ADA Coordinator, for the institutional file.
- H. Note: Until a resolution is reached, additional periods of resolution activities and meetings may be repeated, as long as all parties agree the process is moving forward and is productive. The content of discussion, actions taken, and status of the resolution process and plan will be noted on DSS Grievance Documentation Forms.
- I. If any participant determines that the process is no longer progressing, if a mutually agreeable resolution cannot be reached, or, if other avenues of resolution are not available to the staff person who is coordinating the resolution process, the status of the process will be noted on a Grievance Documentation Form. The staff person will arrange an appointment for the student to continue the resolution process with the next appropriate individual, and forward the original Grievance Form to that individual to enable preparation for the next appointment with the student. A copy of the Grievance Documentation Form will be provided to the student.
- J. The DSC Grievance Procedure is available to continue resolution of concerns that are not able to be resolved through the DSS Grievance Process.

Contact Information:

Disability Support Services Facilitator
Andrea Roberson
Academic Resources
Lower Level, Pope Student Center, Room 9
706-272-4429

Director, Academic Resources
Linda Wheeler
Academic Resources
Lower Level, Pope Student Center, Room 11
706-272-4547

ADA Coordinator
Dr. John Hutcheson, Jr.
Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs
Memorial Hall, Room 122
706-272-4421

Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services
Jodi Johnson
Office of Enrollment Services-Westcott Building
706-272-4475

The mailing address for each of the individuals listed is: 650 College Drive, Dalton, GA 30720

First Year Experience Program and Peer Education

FYES 1000 is a two credit, institutional requirement course for all first-time, full-time students. The Program's intent is to create communities of learning which assist new students as they transition to college. Common Reading further connects students on an academic level.

Peer instruction, group and individual, is available for many courses.

Resource Library

Books, brochures, audio tapes, and videos relating to academic, career and self-help issues are available for student use.

The Testing Center

Location: Room 303 of the Lorberbaum Liberal Arts Building

Phone: 706-272-2606

- Responsible for the coordination of all standardized testing on campus
- Administers tests with accommodations for students with disabilities

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Dalton State College has a full program of co-curricular activities which is administered through the office of the Director of Student Activities. This program is largely promoted by the Student Activities Office through the Student Activities Council and Fine Arts/Lecture Committee, in cooperation with the faculty. Committees approved by the Student Activities Council are assigned certain functions to assist in the presentation of a well-rounded program.

The major emphasis with all activities at Dalton State College is "Balanced Programming."

The Student Activities Council is made up of students, faculty and staff and is charged with the responsibility of:

1. Establishing the Student Activities Policies and Budgets.
2. Chartering new student organizations on the Dalton State College campus.

Flexibility is the basis on which Student Activities operates in reference to the formation and dissolution of student organizations. Organizations on campus are created whenever students or faculty show interest and needs are shown. It also follows that organizations are dissolved when there is a lack of interest or there are indications that the organization is no longer serving the needs of the students.

Student Center

The Pope Student Center building houses the offices of Financial Aid and Veteran Services, Academic Resources (which includes career and academic support services), and Student Activities. It also houses the Bookstore, Food Services, the Student

Publications Office, and the Public Safety Office. The Student Center provides students the opportunity to relax, purchase meals, buy supplies from the bookstore, and read the bulletin boards for the latest information on club news and events around campus. The game room offers additional recreational options through video games, pool tables, and ping pong tables. Game equipment is available in the Student Activities Office. Computers and photocopy services are available in the lower level of the Student Center. Cultural programs and other entertainment events are also held in the Student Center.

Food Service

The “Skylight Cafe” is open Monday -Thursday 7:15 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and Friday and Summer term from 7:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Food Service offers breakfast, lunch, and snacks.

Bookstore

The Bookstore is open Monday -Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Services include: textbook sales, textbook buy-back, best-sellers, reference materials, sundries, faxing, and postage.

Library

The Derrell C. Roberts Library <<http://www.daltonstate.edu/library>> provides access to an extensive collection of resources and services. This 57,700 square foot facility houses approximately 127,000 volumes, 718 current periodical subscriptions, 9000+ media items, 50,000 e-books, and is a federal government documents repository. Books, periodicals, government documents, e-books, and media can be identified by using the **GIL @ DSC** Online Catalog <<http://gil.daltonstate.edu>>. Use the **GIL Universal Catalog** to locate materials owned by other USG libraries to facilitate interlibrary loan or GIL Express borrowing. An open student computer lab with 48 workstations is located in the **Learning Commons**, which is staffed by a reference librarian. A current validated DSC student ID is required to use the Learning Commons. All the workstations offer access to the GALILEO (Georgia Library Learning Online) virtual library of 200+ full-text databases with over 27,000 full-text periodicals, subject indexes and directories, online reference materials, and Georgia documents and historical papers. GALILEO, Georgia's statewide library consortia, is essential in providing students and faculty with online resources through cooperative licensing. In addition to GALILEO, the Roberts Library provides access to specialized databases like GaleNET, Proquest Nursing, and Proquest Education. All online resources are linked off the Library's GALILEO page <<http://www.galileo.usg.edu>>. Students and faculty may access these resources on campus without a password. All students and faculty, including distance learners, can gain off-campus access by going to the Library's main page and clicking Off-Campus Access and entering your DSConnect username and password.

The Library's service desks are located as you enter the Library. The Circulation Desk is where staff will gladly assist you with items that instructors place on Course Reserve, use the photocopiers, print jobs, and check-out library materials. With a current driver's license, DSC students can check-out wireless laptops and use them throughout the building. Materials that have recently been added to the collection and a small collection of best sellers are located behind the Circulation Desk to fulfill recreational reading needs. The Reference Desk in the Learning Commons is where you can get answers to questions about course assignments or personal

research. Reference staff stand ready to assist you by demonstrating the best search techniques and helping to evaluate the many resources that are available. If interested, faculty can request library instruction classes tailored to course assignments either in person or via the web page. Our instruction classroom is located in the Library and is equipped with wireless laptops. Our Reference Collection, adjacent to the service desk, contains general and subject dictionaries and encyclopedias, almanacs, directories, statistical resources, and multivolume criticism sets. As a selective federal documents repository, the Roberts Library contains many authoritative studies and informational documents published by various federal agencies. Many of these documents are linked to the federal agency site through **GIL @ DSC** Online Catalog. This collection is located on the first floor in the new west wing. Round out your tour of the first floor by having a snack in our break room which is outfitted with vending machines and dining tables.

The second floor is accessible with an elevator and stairwells, two of which are across from the Circulation Desk. All circulating books and media items are located upstairs as well as the media viewing room and several group study rooms. Group study rooms are reserved for groups of two or more and are primarily for student use. Rooms are first come, first served. Media staff can assist in finding appropriate media and can even assist faculty in the creation of videos, CDROMs, PowerPoint slides and other media presentations. Students who need adaptive technology can get access to the Adaptive Technology Center which is also on the second floor. The second floor has been designated as the quiet study floor and offers many quiet coves and comfortable seating, including glider rockers that overlook walking paths and woodland views.

In addition to using the Roberts Library facilities, DSC distance learning students may find it more convenient to make use of local public libraries. Agreements are in place with Catoosa, Pickens, and Gilmer public libraries to assist currently enrolled DSC students who live in their service areas. In addition, the Dalton Public Library will circulate materials to students with a current validated I.D. The staff at these public libraries have agreed to help DSC students and refer them to staff at the Roberts Library if necessary. All electronic resources are available to all students regardless of their location. Get off-campus access information from the link Off-Campus Access and by entering your DSConnect username and password. Distance learners can call for information 706-272-4527 or send us a question via Ask-A-Librarian. We're here to help.

The library is open over 73 hours a week during main semesters and is open 24/7 via the Library's web site <<http://www.daltonstate.edu/library>>. Library hours, including changes in schedule for summer, holidays and intercession, can be found at <<http://gil.daltonstate.edu/calreq.php>>. Main semester hours are:

Monday-Thursday	7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Friday	7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Roberts Library staff encourages you to take full advantage of the resources and services that the Library has to offer. We look forward to seeing and hearing from you. Suggestions and questions are welcome either in person, by e-mail, or in our Suggestion Box which is located in the Learning Commons. Make the Library a regular part of your college experience.

Gym

The Bandy Gymnasium provides health and physical education facilities for scheduled activities and informal recreation. The facility includes a heated, indoor swimming pool, basketball courts, weight room, locker rooms, and classrooms.

Intramurals

The Dalton State Intramural Program strives to promote a varied recreational program which will meet the needs and interests of all students. The program is organized and conducted so as to provide for the development of leadership, fellowship, cooperation, and other qualities desirable for the wise use of leisure. It should serve as an extension of the instructional program in physical education and, through cooperation with other departments and agencies, contribute to the recreational and social activities on the campus.

At Dalton State College, the intramural program is not limited to one particular group of students but all students, faculty and staff members no matter what their interests, are encouraged to participate. Some of the sports offered on a seasonal basis are: flag football, basketball, softball, volleyball, badminton, tennis, and table tennis.

The following objectives have been developed to guide intramural participants and personnel in their involvement with the program.

1. To provide an opportunity for every individual, regardless of ability or experience to realize the joy of recreational participation.
2. To provide programs geared toward mass participation rather than elite competition.
3. To contribute to the development and identity of student groups on campus.
4. To create programs and activities organized and administered by students.
5. To provide programs that are attractive alternatives for free time through physical recreation to develop lifelong habits of exercise and play.
6. To implement a program that provides fitness, social affiliation and fun through competitive and recreational pursuits.

Fitness Center

The following rules and regulations have been adopted by the Campus Recreation Department for the Fitness Center:

1. You must have a valid DSC student, faculty, or staff ID card. No valid ID = No entry!
2. You must check in at the control desk before each visit to the Fitness Center.
3. Secure all personal items in a locker in the locker room. Dalton State College is not responsible for lost or stolen personal belongings. Staff members are not permitted to hold valuables.
4. Wipe down equipment with towels obtained at front desk when you are finished with each machine.
5. No food, drinks, gum, or tobacco products are allowed in the Fitness Center; however, a water bottle with a secure lid is permitted.
6. No yelling or cursing.
7. No one under 17 is allowed in the work out area.

8. Proper attire is required. The Fitness Center dress code will be strictly enforced. This is to reduce the risk of injury during the exercise session, reduce repair and maintenance costs to the equipment, and to maintain a professional environment. Shoes must be worn and must have a rubber sole bottom and no metal or rough edges (metal rips the upholstery). No open-toe shoes allowed. T-shirts must be full-length. No halter tops, half shirts, etc. No “offensive” language, designs, pictures. Jeans and street clothes are prohibited due to risk of ripping upholstery of machines.
9. Please keep shirt on at all times.
10. Instruction is available upon request.
11. Fitness Center users may not adjust sound system, TV’s, thermostat, or move any equipment.
12. Bars, weights, and dumbbells must be returned to the proper plate holders or rack after each use.
13. Slamming or dropping dumbbells or weight stacks is strictly prohibited.
14. SPOTTERS must be utilized when necessary on all free weight equipment.
15. Weight collars are required on all free weight bars.
16. Immediately report any Fitness Center-related injury or equipment irregularity to the staff member(s) on duty.
17. Time is limited to 45 minutes on all cardiovascular equipment when someone is waiting.
18. Respect for equipment, facilities, and staff must be demonstrated at all times. Misuse of equipment and facilities may result in immediate expulsion and/or loss of additional privileges.
19. Visit as often as you can, ask questions, and enjoy!

	<u>Hours of Operation Fitness Center</u>	<u>Hours of Operation Pool</u>
Sunday	1:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Closed
Mon.-Thurs.	7:00 am - 8:00 pm	TBA
Friday	7:00 am - 4:00 pm	TBA

All hours are subject to change due to staffing issues.

Exception: When DSC classes are not in session, hours are

Sunday 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Monday - Thursday 7:00 am - 6:00 pm.

Friday - 7:00 am 4:00 pm

All facilities are closed when the college is closed.

Eligibility for Student Activities

Note: Membership in all student organizations and participation in all activities shall be open to all students regardless of race, religion, creed, color, sex, or disability. Information concerning existing clubs and activities and information on forming new clubs or organizations is available in the Student Activities Office or on-line at <http://www.daltonstate.edu/studentlife>. The Student Activities Office is available to assist all students in any way possible.

Student I.D. Cards

Dalton State College Student I.D. cards are obtained through the Student Activities Office and are required once registration is complete and fees are paid. Cards may be obtained and validated at any time in the Student Activities Office. In order

to obtain a student I.D., valid photo identification is required. I.D. cards are used as library cards, as identification for financial transactions, and for entrance into the campus Fitness Center. Lost, stolen, or mutilated cards will be replaced by the Student Activities office for a \$5 charge.

All student I.D.'s are validated each term with a colored sticker. The sticker indicates that the student is enrolled and has paid all necessary fees for that term.

Liability Waivers

Students who participate in co-curricular activities and class field trips must have a Release/Liability Waiver and Alcohol Policy on file in the Student Activities Office before leaving campus or participating in the activity. Club Advisors and the Director of Student Activities have access to these forms. All forms can also be accessed at <http://www.daltonstate.edu/studentlife/faq.html>.

Entertainment Series

Dalton State College periodically presents lectures, fine arts displays, artists, and musical series. The Student Activities Office promotes these programs through the Student Activities Council and the Fine Arts/Lecture Committee.

Clubs and Organizations

Many clubs exist on the campus and, as interest develops among students, additional clubs will be recognized. The following groups are currently functioning on campus:

Bacchus Network	Medical Laboratory Technician
Baptist Collegiate Ministries	Music Club
Black Student Alliance	Phi Alpha
Business Networking Club	Phi Theta Kappa
Business Office Professionals Organization	Philosophy Club
Chemist Society	Pre-Health Professionals Club
Circle K	Presidents' Council
College Bowl	Psychology Club
College Republicans	Radiologic Technology Club
Criminal Justice Society	Respiratory Therapy Club
D.I.R.T. - Drafters in Rigorous Training	S.A.F.E.
Environmental Club	Sigma Beta Delta
Future Educators	SOAR Leaders
Glad Rag Drama Society	ocial Work Club
History Club	Solidaridad
Kappa Delta Pi	Spanish Club
Literary Reading Club	Speech and Debate Society
LPN Club	Students United for Peace
	Tributaries/Student Publications
	Young Democrats

Alumni Affairs

Membership in the Dalton State College Alumni Association is open to all former students who earned academic credit at Dalton State College. The Alumni Association is administered by the Director of Institutional Advancement and is led by a Board of Directors.

Community Service Learning

Community Service-Learning is available to assist students, faculty, staff, and the community. The program is operated through the Student Activities Office. The goals of the office are:

1. To make students aware of the needs in their community.
2. To help local agencies better serve the community.
3. To promote Dalton State College to the surrounding area.

Student involvement in Community Service-Learning enhances a student's academic experience through real life experiences.

Field Trips

Periodically scheduled field trips are also conducted through the Student Activities Office. Although the schedule of trips varies with each term, a few examples include: Fine Arts trips to area museums, College Bowl Tournaments, snow skiing, and visits to the State Capitol.

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Administrative Procedures for Student Organizations

- I. Initial Procedure of Recognition for Student Organizations
 - A. An organization seeking recognition must meet all the requirements as stated in Article VI, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Constitution of the Student Body of Dalton State College.
 - B. Applications

An organization seeking recognition must submit the following information in writing to the Student Activities Office:

 1. Name of organization
 2. Name of student filing proposal
 3. Purpose of organization (including explanation of why the organization is desirable on campus)
 4. Qualification for membership
 5. Consideration for membership
 6. Time and manner of election of officers
 7. Officer and leadership structure
 8. Number of students wishing to join
 9. Faculty/staff advisor
 10. Explanation of any extra-campus affiliation (e.g., national parent organization)
 11. Time and location of meetings
 12. Names of prospective members who will serve as spokesmen for the organization during the recognition procedure. It is suggested that ten students be named.
 - C. Hearing

The Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services or his/her designee shall examine each application and reject those not submitted in proper form. He/she may, at his/her discretion, request that the hearing be held before a Student Activities Council. The Vice President may request the presentation of oral and documentary evidence. Minutes of the hearing shall be made and preserved for use in possible appeals and reviews.

II. Criteria for Recognition and Review Procedure

- A. Recognition shall be granted only to those organizations whose purpose and proposed activities are clearly related to the educational goals and mission of the college. Recognition shall be denied if the evidence presented shows that the proposed organization will present substantial likelihood of material interference or conflict with the educational process of the College or any of the following:
1. The regular and orderly operation of the College.
 2. The requirement of appropriate discipline within the college community.
 3. The academic pursuits of teaching, learning, and other campus activities.
 4. The laws or public policies of the State of Georgia and the United States.
 5. The statutes and regulations of the College and the Policies of the Board of Regents.
- B. If the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services or the Council disapproves recognition, the organization may appeal the decision to the President of the College, who shall review the same and affirm, reverse, or modify the decision. The appeal shall be in such form as the President may require.

III. Rights of Student Organizations

Recognition authorizes an organization:

- A. To use College facilities and equipment, subject to the Board of Regents policies and to College regulations governing the use of facilities and equipment, and to reasonable scheduling and clearance of particular facilities and equipment through the Student Activities Office and/or the Public Safety Office.
- B. To be eligible to receive student activities monies subject to the Board of Regents' Policies and to College regulations governing allocation of student activity fees as allocated by the Student Activities Council.

IV. Rules and Regulations Governing Student Organizations

A. Financial Responsibility

1. Use of allocated student activities monies must conform to the purpose and practices approved by the allocating authority.
2. Organizations shall carry on business transactions and contracted relations with punctual and timely discharge of valid obligations and prudent use of funds.

B. Conformance with Organizational Purpose

Activities of organizations must be in conformance with their applications' stated purposes.

C. Campus Displays

All campus displays must be approved by the Student Activities Office including, but not limited to, posters, notices or banners. Any display which litters the campus or damages the property of the College or other persons or entities, or which is obscene, or which materially interferes with the regular and orderly operation of the College, is prohibited.

D. Property Damage

Unauthorized or malicious damage to the property of the College or other persons or entities resulting from organization activities is prohibited, and the student organization shall be responsible for all damages.

E. Disorderly Conduct

Organizational activities which encourage or precipitate riots or other disturbances which materially interfere with the regular and orderly operation of the College are prohibited.

F. Parades, Student Rallies, and Gatherings

1. The patio outside the Student Center has been designated as a free speech area. Guidelines and procedures for using this area are available in the Student Activities Office.
2. Outside parades, student rallies, and other such gatherings which interfere with pedestrian or vehicular traffic on campus must be cleared with the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services and through the Public Safety Office before they may be undertaken, as well as with the proper civil authorities if held off campus.
3. Use of facilities, equipment, and other College property shall be subject to reasonable scheduling by the Student Activities Office in order to promote fair sharing of their use.

G. Law Violations

No organization shall commit, encourage, condone, or contribute to violations of College statutes and regulations, the Policies of the Board of Regents, or the law of the State of Georgia or the United States.

H. Information to be Submitted to the Office of Student Activities

A list of officers must be submitted to the Student Activities Office within seven days after each election.

Student Publications

1. Dalton State College policy regarding student publications is that student organization publications shall not contain material which is obscene or defamatory (as the same is defined by the Code of Georgia, Section 26-2101), or which may create a substantial likelihood of material interference with the regular and orderly operation of the College.
2. Student organization publications shall abide by the guidelines and policies established by the Student Activities Council.

V. Student Organization Fund Raising

Use of Dalton State College facilities or grounds for fund raising must be approved by the Director of Student Activities. Requests for approval must be submitted to the Director of Student Activities. Fund raising, as it pertains to student organizations, is defined as on-or-off campus seeking of funds or support by a student group from other forms of support; the selling and distribution of items, materials, products, or services; and the sponsorship of events where admission is charged.

- A. To be approved by the Director of Student Activities, proposed student organization fund raising projects must comply with the following guidelines:

1. Projects may not in any way interfere with normal academic programs or functions.
 2. Fund raising is not permitted in offices, classrooms, or corridors. Fund raising on and off campus may be conducted only in areas approved by the Director of Student Activities.
 3. Requests for approval should be submitted to the Director of Student Activities at least two weeks prior to the proposed event. The appropriate form for making a request can be obtained in the Student Activities Office.
 4. In considering the request, the primary concern will be placed on the stated purpose for which the fund raising activity is desired. Priority for requests will be given for fund raising activities that are (a) educational in nature or directly related to the curriculum, (b) philanthropic purposes, or (c) for the benefit of the Dalton State College population.
 5. Accounting Procedures:
 - a. A contract, if applicable, may not be signed by an organization for a fund raising activity conducted on campus until it has been approved by the Director of Student Activities and the Vice President of Fiscal Affairs.
 - b. A Certificate showing receipts and disbursements for each approved fund raising activity must be given to the Director of Student Activities within five (5) days following the completion of the activity.
 - c. Procedures for collecting monies must be approved by the Office of Student Activities. All monies will be submitted to the Office of Student Activities for proper processing and accounting. No outside accounts are permitted.
 - d. All checks must be made payable to Dalton State College.
 6. Organizations will be limited to three (3) fund raising activities per academic school year, not exceeding two (2) fund raisers in one semester.
 7. A separate request must be submitted for every fund raising activity.
 8. Activities involving student organization fund raising or other projects covered by the guidelines are subject to the following:
 - a. Fund raising may be conducted only in such areas designated by the Director of Student Activities.
 - b. An organization may not use coercive acts that might intimidate those persons from whom support is sought.
 - c. No fund raising activity shall be in violation of Dalton State College policies, as stated in the Dalton State College catalog.
 - d. No fund raising activity may violate any state law or local ordinance.
 - e. All publicity must be approved through the Office of the Director of Student Activities.
 9. Willful failure to comply with these rules will be grounds for denial of future requests.
- B. Requests for fund raising activities may be denied for any of the following reasons:
1. Adequate resources are unavailable to assist in supporting the project.

2. The requested activity is clearly outside the expressed purpose(s) of the organization as stated in its constitution and/or bylaws.
3. The organization is on disciplinary probation, suspension, or inactive.
4. The risk factor is deemed excessive.
5. The requested activity is not consistent with College or Board of Regents' policy.
6. Another student organization has already planned a fund raiser during the dates requested.

VI. Review and Enforcement of Regulations

The Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services shall periodically review the activities of all student organizations to determine if they are acting in compliance with College regulations. Charges of violations of College regulations may be brought against any recognized organization and shall be heard by the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services or, at his/her discretion, by the Student Activities Council, as mentioned in Item 1-B above. The Vice President or the Council may request the presentation of oral and documentary evidence at the hearing. He/she or the Council shall have a recording or transcript of the hearing prepared. The Vice President or the Council may impose any one or any combination of the following penalties upon an organization after consideration of the evidence presented at the hearing:

1. Restriction of all or any privileges enjoyed as a recognized student organization.
2. Monetary fines, withholding or withdrawal of allocated student activities monies.
3. Restitution for damages.
4. Probation of recognized status.
5. Suspension of recognized status.
6. Withdrawal of recognition.

An organization may appeal the imposition of any penalty to the President of the College, who shall review the action and affirm, reverse, or modify the same. The appeal and review shall be in such form as the President may require. The President may utilize the services of an existing or ad-hoc committee in determining the issues involved.

VII. Final Review Powers of the President

Upon notice and hearing, the President of the College may review at any time the recognition of any student organization, or any decision on disciplinary charges against any student organization, and make whatever final disposition of the matter is deemed necessary for the best interests of the College.

Awards and Recognitions

Special awards are given annually at Dalton State College to recognize students who have shown outstanding performance in the following academic areas:

Accounting	Medical Laboratory Technology
Anatomy and Physiology	Medical Assisting
Biology	Microcomputer Applications
Calculus	Nursing
Chemistry	Office Administration
Computer Science	Office Career Technologies
Economics	Operations Management
Education	Philosophy
English Composition	Physics
Geography	Political Science
History	Psychology
Literature	Spanish
Management	Speech Communications
Management Information Systems	Social Work
Marketing Systems	Sociology

Student Services Organizational Chart for Dalton State College

President of Dalton State College

Faculty

Student Activities Council

Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services (Chair)

Presidents' Council Members

Vice President for Academic Affairs

Fiscal Affairs Representative

Director of Student Activities

Assistant Director of Student Activities

Director of Campus Recreation

Chair of Fine Arts/Lecture Committee

Two Faculty Members (appointed by Committee on Committees)

Standing Committees

Fine Arts/Lecture Eight faculty, Eight students (four appointed by SAC, four appointed by Chair)

Traffic Eight students

Literary Eight faculty, Eight students

Athletic Eight faculty, Eight students

Environmental Eight faculty, Eight students

Budget Five faculty, Five students

Student Body

The Constitution of the Student Body of Dalton State College

Preamble

In the interest of creating an environment conducive to the pursuit of academic excellence, the search for spiritual enlightenment, the attainment of physical perfection and moral integrity, and of ensuring a dialogue between faculty and students, having assumed the power and duties of government delegated to us by the President of Dalton State College and the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, the student body of Dalton State College does hereby enact this Constitution.

Article I. Student Body

Section 1. Composition

Membership in the student body shall be composed of students officially enrolled in Dalton State College.

Section 2. Privileges

Any officially enrolled student shall be entitled to vote in student elections and to make nominations for said elections.

Article II. Dalton State College Student Activities Council

Section 1. Name of Organization

This organization shall be known as the Dalton State College Student Activities Council, hereafter referred to as the SAC. The duties and functions of this organization are such as are herein conferred upon it.

Section 2. Administrative Structure

The placement of the SAC in the administrative structure of Dalton State College shall be as follows:

- President
- Faculty
- Student Activities Council
- Student Body

Section 3. Membership

The Student Activities Council shall consist of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services as Chair, all Presidents' Council members, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Fiscal Affairs representative, the Chair of the Fine Arts Committee, the Director of Student Activities, Assistant Director of Student Activities and the Director of Campus Recreation. Two additional members are elected by the faculty upon nomination from the Committee on Committees.

Section 4. Ultimate Authority

The President of Dalton State College shall have ultimate discretion in approving any decisions made by the SAC.

Article III. Duties and Functions of the Student Activities Council

Section 1. Purpose

Paragraph A. The primary purpose of the SAC shall be to help formulate just and proper regulations pertaining to wholesome student government and to assist those persons designated to enforce the regulations.

Paragraph B. The SAC shall, if necessary, assist student activities in a manner that will result in the greatest possible advantage and satisfaction to each student as an individual and to the College as a leading institution of the community.

Section 2. Functions

The SAC shall specifically have these major functions:

1. To accept and discuss matters of interest and concern presented to it from the Student Body and by various student organizations, and to present proposals subject to the approval of the faculty and the President of Dalton State College.
2. To determine the Student Activities budget subject to the approval of the faculty and President of Dalton State College.
3. To charter student organizations to the Dalton State College campus subject to the approval of the faculty and the President of Dalton State College.
4. To establish policy relative to student activities, subject to the approval of the faculty and the President of Dalton State College.

Article IV. Student Membership in the Student Activities Council

Membership in the SAC shall consist of all members of the Presidents' Council.

Section 1. Presidents' Council Membership

Paragraph A. Membership on the Council will consist of all current Club presidents, and two at-large members.

Paragraph B. If for any reason a club president is not able to serve, the club may designate another member at large.

Paragraph C. The club president/designee must be consistent throughout the school year.

Paragraph D. Applications for the two at-large positions will be accepted through the first week of September. Current members of the Presidents' Council will choose the five finalists from all applicants. The SAC will interview and select, by majority vote, the two at-large members from the finalists.

Paragraph E. The term of service will be from September 1-June 30.

Paragraph F. The SAC shall have the power to remove a member of the SAC by unanimous consent of the remaining members of the SAC, the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services, and the President of the College.

Article V. Qualifications for Student Membership on the Student Activities Council.

Section 1. Each member shall comply with the qualifications herein stated.

Paragraph A. To be eligible for membership, a candidate must have a cumulative academic average of 2.25 for all work attempted while at Dalton State College and be free of academic probation.

Paragraph B. All members must be currently enrolled at Dalton State College during their term of office.

Paragraph C. Each member must carry a minimum of three (3) credit hours during their term.

Paragraph D. If at any time the cumulative GPA should drop below a 2.0, the member will be placed on probation for one semester. Probation is allowed for only one term during a member's term of office. The cumulative GPA must reach or exceed 2.0 by the following term or the member will be removed from office at the beginning of the following term. Members on probation will have the full duties and privileges of office except for traveling privileges.

Paragraph E. Summer enrollment is optional, but a member will be able to travel during the summer term only if he/she is enrolled in three (3) credit hours.

Article VI. Clubs and Organizations

Section 1. Application

A preliminary application for a charter shall be required for clubs and organizations. This application shall be completed as specified in the Dalton State College Catalog/Student Handbook and returned to the Director of Student Activities in order for the club to be initiated.

Section 2. Approval

A club becomes official after approval is received from the Student Activities Council.

Section 3. Charters

A final charter must contain provisions for membership, advisorship, and purpose of the club. This charter must be returned to the Director of Student Activities no later than four weeks from the time application is approved.

Section 4. Membership

Paragraph A. To qualify for membership in clubs, students must have a 1.66 or better academic average each term. The only exception shall be first term freshmen who shall be considered probationary members for one term until a cumulative average is calculated.

Part (1) Club officers must have and maintain a 2.25 or better cumulative average and be free of probation.

Paragraph B. A student may hold office in no more than two clubs or organizations.

Part (1) If a student is president of more than one (1) club or organization, he/she may cast only one (1) vote on the Presidents' Council and SAC.

Section 5. Advisor

A faculty advisor is required for all clubs by administrative policy. The advisor will be responsible for checking students' eligibility and will guide the club's activities. The advisor will not have the power to vote.

Article VII. Amendments

Section 1. Proposal

Paragraph A. An amendment to this Constitution may be proposed by presenting a clear statement of the amendment with the signatures of fifty qualified voters to the SAC chair. A qualified voter shall be defined as any currently enrolled Dalton State College student.

Paragraph B. Any member of the SAC may propose an amendment.

Section 2. Vote

Any proposed amendment to the Constitution receiving a two-thirds majority of the vote cast by the SAC and then a majority of the votes cast by the Student Body shall be declared ratified.

Article VIII. Bylaws

Bylaws to this Constitution may be added upon the approval of two-thirds majority vote by the SAC.

Article IX. Ratification of the Constitution

The Constitution will become official when approved by the College administration, the faculty, two-thirds majority of the SAC, and a majority of the votes cast by the students.

Student Activities Council Bylaws

Section 1. Meetings

Paragraph A. The Student Activities Council shall meet at least once a month or at the call of the Chair (Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services).

Paragraph B. The quorum necessary for business shall consist of a majority of the membership.

Section 2. Social Activities

All clubs and organizations must submit a request for any college activity. The request must be turned in to the Student Activities Office at least two weeks before the activity.

Section 3. Standing Committees

The Student Activities Council shall maintain five standing committees in the following manner:

- (1) The Fine Arts/Lecture Committee: The purpose of the Fine Arts/Lecture Committee shall be to provide opportunities for students to be exposed to cultural events they otherwise would not experience. The Fine Arts/Lecture Committee shall consist of eight faculty members and eight student members, appointed annually. The eight students shall be appointed by the President of the Student Body and approved by the Student Activities Council. The faculty members, including the Chair, are appointed by the Chair of the Student Activities Council. Members may be appointed to successive terms. A Committee Chair will be selected at the first meeting.
- (2) The Athletic Committee: The purpose of the Athletic Committee shall be to provide counsel, advice, and support to the President of the College. The Athletic Committee shall consist of eight faculty members and eight student members. The student members shall be appointed annually by the President of the Student Body and approved by the Student Activities Council. The faculty members shall be appointed by the Chair of the Student Activities Council. Members may be appointed to successive terms. A Committee Chair will be selected at the first meeting.
- (3) Traffic Committee: The purpose of the Traffic Committee is to receive, consider and make decisions relative to appeals of traffic violation tickets. The committee shall consist of eight students including the Chair. The members shall be appointed annually by the President of the Student Body and approved by the Student Activities Council. Members may be appointed to successive terms. A Committee Chair will be selected at the first meeting.
- (4) Literary Committee: The purpose of the Literary Committee is to function as the advisory board for the publication entitled "The Roadrunner." The publication is published by the students of Dalton State College through the Student Activities Office. The eight student members shall be appointed annually by the President of the Student Body and approved by

the Student Activities Council. The eight faculty members shall be appointed annually by the Chair of the Student Activities Council. A Committee Chair will be selected at the first meeting.

“The Roadrunner” is produced by and for the students of Dalton State College using equipment and facilities provided by the College. The magazine is produced camera-ready by the student staff.

Opinions expressed in “The Roadrunner” are those of the students and do not necessarily reflect those of the faculty, staff, or administration of Dalton State College, the Literary Committee, or the University System of Georgia. This newspaper is distributed without charge to the students of Dalton State College.

- (5) Environmental Affairs Committee: The purpose of the Environmental Affairs Committee is to study and address the environmental concerns of the student body of Dalton State College. Efforts will be made to heighten awareness of recycling, reusing and waste reduction. Membership will consist of eight faculty/staff members and eight student members. Faculty/ staff members should include representation from Auxiliary Services, Custodial Services, Grounds Services, and the Environmental Club. The eight student members shall be appointed by the President of the Student Body and all approved by the Student Activities Council. A Committee Chair will be appointed at the first meeting.
- (6) Budget Committee: The purpose of the Budget Committee is to oversee the budget process each spring. The committee will use guidelines to make the decision on the next academic school year’s club budgets. The committee shall consist of five students approved by the Student Activities Council and five faculty members appointed by the Director of Student Activities.

Section 4. Appointments

Paragraph A. The Chair and the Presidents’ Council, with approval of the Student Activities Council, will appoint ad-hoc committees on a needs basis to deal with specific situations as they arise.

Paragraph B. The Presidents’ Council, with approval of the Student Activities Council, will appoint the following numbers of students to the following standing College committees:

Committee	Number of Students
Discipline	3
Academic Council	2
Placement	2
Financial Aid	2
Library	2
Strategic Planning	2

Student Conduct Regulations

Faculty, staff, and students are expected to adhere to the policies of the College and observe the basic standards of good conduct, meet appropriate standards of performance, and observe all local, state, and federal laws relative to unlawful use of illicit drugs and alcohol. Penalties for violation of these standards range from warnings and probation to expulsion, loss of academic credit, temporary or permanent suspension, withdrawal of organization recognition, referral to the legal system for prosecution, demotion, and termination of employment.

Students' Rights and Responsibilities

Academic institutions exist for the transmission of knowledge, the pursuit of truth, the development of students, and the general well-being of society. Free inquiry and free expression are indispensable to the attainment of these goals. As members of the academic community, students should be encouraged to develop the capacity for critical judgment and to engage in a sustained and independent search for truth. Institutional procedures for achieving these purposes may vary from campus to campus, but the minimal standards of academic freedom of students are essential to any community of scholars.

Freedom to teach and freedom to learn are inseparable facets of academic freedom. The freedom to learn depends upon appropriate opportunities and conditions in the classroom, on the campus, and in the larger community. Students should exercise their freedom with responsibility.

The responsibility to secure and to respect general conditions conducive to the freedom to learn is shared by all members of the academic community. Dalton State College subscribes to the above statement and has developed policies and procedures which provide and safeguard this freedom.

Student Code of Conduct

Students of Dalton State College have an obligation to assist in making the College an effective place for the transmission of knowledge, the pursuit of truth, the development of self, and the improvement of society.

As citizens, students enjoy the same freedoms that other citizens enjoy and, in turn, they are responsible for conducting themselves in accordance with the requirements of law.

As students of Dalton State College, they are responsible for compliance with all College regulations.

Under the authority of the Board of Regents, the College is delegated the responsibility for establishing and enforcing regulations pertaining to student conduct. (Regents Bylaws, Article VI, Section B.)

Conduct Information and Regulations

I. Academic Irregularity

1. No student shall receive or give assistance not authorized by the instructor in the preparation of an essay, laboratory report, examination or other assignment included in an academic course.
2. No student shall take or attempt to take, steal or otherwise procure in an unauthorized manner any material pertaining to the conduct of a class, including but not limited to tests, examinations, laboratory equipment, and roll books.
3. No student shall sell, give, lend, or otherwise furnish to any unauthorized person material which can be shown to contain the questions or answers to any examinations scheduled to be given at any subsequent date in any course of study offered by the College, without authorization from the instructor.
4. Plagiarism is prohibited. Themes, essays, term papers, tests, and other similar requirements must be the work of the student submitting them. When direct quotations are used, they must be indicated, and where the

ideas of another are incorporated in the paper, they must be appropriately acknowledged.

II. Alcohol, Drug, and Tobacco Use Policy

Alcoholic Beverages

The possession, consumption, sale, use, distribution or possession of alcoholic beverages on College property or at events sponsored by the College is prohibited.

Drugs

The possession or use (without valid medical or dental prescription), manufacture, furnishing, or sale of any narcotic or dangerous drug controlled by federal or Georgia law is prohibited.

Drug - Free Schools and Communities Act

Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program

Adopted September 4, 1990

As a recipient of federal funds, Dalton State College supports and complies with the provisions of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 and the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988.

The unlawful possession, manufacture, distribution, dispensation, and use of illicit drugs and alcohol by employees or students on the College campus is prohibited. Violations of this policy will result in appropriate disciplinary action.

Tobacco

Use of all tobacco products is prohibited in all classrooms, hallways, bathrooms, and stairwells of all buildings throughout the campus.

1. Students in violation are subject to a Discipline Committee hearing and applicable state and federal laws.
2. First alcohol and/or drug offense – Student will not be allowed to participate in Dalton State College sponsored trips for the next six months. At the advisor's discretion, student may be ejected from the current trip and held responsible for return trip transportation.
3. Second offense – Student will not be allowed to participate in any Dalton State College trip for the remainder of their enrollment at Dalton State and student will be ejected from the current trip and held responsible for return trip transportation.

III. Damage to Property

Malicious or unauthorized intentional damage or destruction of property belonging to the College, to a member of the College Community, or to visitors to the campus is prohibited and could result in legal action if undertaken.

IV. Disorderly Assembly

1. No student shall assemble on campus for the purpose of creating a riot, or destruction, or disorderly diversion which interferes with the normal operation of the College. This section should not be construed so as to deny any students the right of peaceful, non- disruptive assembly.
2. No student or group of students shall obstruct the free movement of other persons about the campus, interfere with the use of College facilities, or materially interfere with the normal operation of the College.
3. The abuse or unauthorized use of sound amplification equipment indoors or outdoors during classroom hours is prohibited. Any use of sound amplification equipment must be cleared through the Student Activities Office.

V. Disorderly Conduct

1. Disorderly or obscene conduct or breach of the peace on College property or at any function sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization, is prohibited.
2. No student shall push, strike, or physically assault any member of the faculty, staff, or student body or any visitor to the campus.
3. Conduct on College property, or at functions sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization, which materially interferes with the normal operation of the College or the requirements of appropriate discipline, is prohibited.
4. No student shall enter or attempt to enter any dance, social, athletic, or any other event sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization without credentials for admission, i.e., ticket, invitation, student I.D. or other proper identification or any reasonable qualifications established for attendance. At such College functions, a student must present proper credentials to properly identified College faculty and staff upon their request.
5. Conduct and/or expressions which are obscene or which are patently offensive to the prevailing standards of an academic community, are prohibited.
6. Stalking behavior, pursuing another individual against his/her will, is prohibited.
7. Any act of terrorism which uses force or threats to intimidate or cause fear is prohibited.
8. No student shall interfere with, or give false name to, or fail to cooperate with, any properly identified College faculty, administration, or staff personnel while these persons are in the performance of their duties.

VI. Falsification of Records

No student shall alter, falsify, counterfeit, forge, or cause to be altered, counterfeited, or forged any record, form or document used by the College.

VII. Explosives

No student shall possess, furnish, sell or use explosives of any kind on College property or at functions sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization.

VIII. Fire Safety

1. No student shall tamper with fire safety equipment.
2. All occupants of a building must leave the building when the fire alarm sounds or when directed to leave by properly identified College faculty or staff while these persons are in the performance of their duties.
3. The unauthorized possession, sale, furnishing or use of any incendiary device is prohibited.
4. No student shall set or cause to set any unauthorized fire in or on College property.
5. The possession or use of fireworks on College property or at events sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization, is prohibited. Fireworks are defined as any substance prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or audible effect by combustion, explosion, or detonation.

IX. Weapons

Students are prohibited from possession of firearms on College property or at events sponsored or supervised by the College or any recognized College organization. The possession or use of any other offensive weapons is prohibited. Exceptions may be made for official use authorized by the College. Peace officers recognized by the State of Georgia are exempt from this firearms regulation.

X. Hazing

All rites and ceremonies of induction, initiation, or orientation into college life, or into the life of any college group which tend to occasion or allow physical, mental, or emotional suffering are prohibited.

XI. Joint Responsibility for Infractions

Students who knowingly act in concert to violate College regulations have individual and joint responsibility for such violation, and such concerted acts are prohibited.

XII. Student Identification Materials

1. Lending, selling, or otherwise transferring student identification materials is prohibited.
2. The use of student identification materials by anyone other than the original holder is prohibited.

XIII. Theft

1. No student shall sell a textbook other than his/her own without written permission of the owner.
2. No student shall take, attempt to take, or keep in his/her possession items of the College, its property, or other items belonging to students, faculty, staff, student groups, or visitors to the campus without proper authorization.
3. No student shall provide copies of copyrighted or licensed software to others while maintaining copies for one's own use, unless there is a specific provision in the license allowing such activity. The activity is forbidden even if the software is provided without cost for educational purposes.
4. No student shall use software or documentation known to have been obtained in violation of the copyrighted law or a valid license provision.
5. No student shall use a copyrighted program on more than one machine at the same time, unless a specific license provision permits such activity.

XIV. Unauthorized Entry or Use of College Facilities

1. No student shall make unauthorized entry into any College building, office, or other facility, nor shall any person remain without authorization in any building after normal closing hours.
2. No student shall make unauthorized use of any College facility, equipment, or materials.

XV. Gambling

The playing of cards or any other game of skill or chance for money or other items of value is prohibited.

XVI. World Wide Web Policy

All students, faculty, and staff who use computers on the Dalton State College Campus and extended campuses must abide by the DSC Computer and Net-work Usage Policy found on the Office of Computing and Information Services' web page.

XVII. Repeated Violations

Repeated violations of published rules or regulations of the College, which cumulatively indicate an unwillingness or inability to conform to the standards of the College for student life, are prohibited.

XVIII. Violation of Outside Law

Violation of local, state, or federal law, on or off the campus, which constitutes a clear and present danger of material interference with the normal, orderly operation and processes of the College, or with the requirements of appropriate discipline, is prohibited.

Disruptive and Obstructive Behavior

Any student, faculty member, administrator, or employee, acting individually or in concert with others, who clearly obstructs, or disrupts, or attempts to obstruct or disrupt any teaching, research, administrative, disciplinary, or public service activity, or any other activity authorized to be discharged or held on any campus of the University System, is considered by the Board to have committed an act of gross irresponsibility and shall be subject to disciplinary procedures, possibly resulting in dismissal or termination of employment. (Board of Regents Minutes, 1968-69, pp. 166-168; 1970-71, p. 98)

Disciplinary Procedures

When a student is charged with violation of the foregoing conduct regulations, disposition of the student's case shall be afforded according to Constitutional requirements, due process and in keeping with the procedures outlined below:

1. All complaints of alleged violation by a student shall be made in writing to the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services. Each complaint shall contain a statement of facts outlining each alleged act of misconduct, and shall state each regulation which the student is alleged to have violated.
2. The student shall be notified in writing by the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services that he/she is accused of a violation and shall be asked to come in for a conference to discuss the complaint.
3. At the above mentioned conference, the student shall be advised that:
 - a. He/she may, in writing, admit or deny the alleged violation, waive all further hearing, and request that the College official take appropriate action.
 - b. He/she may, in writing, admit or deny the alleged violation. If the case involves the possibility of suspension or expulsion, the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services shall refer the case to the Discipline Committee for full disposition. Otherwise, the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services shall make full disposition of the case, except that the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services may, for good cause, refer any case to the Discipline Committee. Cases may, in very unusual

instances, be referred to the Faculty Committee where there exists good cause, e.g., the likelihood of serious emotional damage to the student defendant or others connected with the case. In such cases, all procedures set out herein for cases before the Discipline Committee and appeals therefrom shall be substantively followed.

4. In cases referred to the Discipline Committee, the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services shall, at least 72 hours in advance of the hearing, notify the student in writing, by hand delivery, if reasonably possible, or otherwise by registered mail to the last local address of the student within the reasonable knowledge of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services, concerning the following:
 - a. The date, time, and place of the hearing;
 - b. A statement of the specific charges and grounds which, if proven, would justify disciplinary action being taken;
 - c. The names of witnesses scheduled to appear.
5. The student is expected to notify his/her parents or guardian of the charges. These persons may request a conference with the college officials prior to the hearing.
6. The decision reached at the hearing will be communicated in writing to the student and, if the student is a minor or if he/she so requests, to his/her parents or guardian. It will specify the action taken by the hearing body and the interest of the College which has been adversely affected by the conduct which necessitated the disciplinary action. Upon the request of the student or his/her parents or guardian, a summary of the evidence will be communicated.
7. The student shall be notified, in writing, of his/her right to appeal the decision of the hearing body. In cases of appeal, any action assessed by the hearing body shall be suspended pending the outcome of the appeal to the President of the College. A copy of the final decision shall be mailed to the student and, if the student is a minor or if he/she so requests, to his/her parents or guardian.

Discipline Committee

1. The Discipline Committee of the College shall consist of seven members: four faculty members (one serving as Chair) nominated by the Committee on Committees and elected by the faculty, and three students appointed by the President of the Student Body and approved by the Student Activities Council. Members hold one-year terms and may succeed themselves.
2. The Discipline Committee shall hear cases involving alleged violations of the Student Code of Conduct which shall be referred to it by the Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services. Normally, these cases shall be those in which there is a possibility of suspension or expulsion of the accused student.
3. Preliminary investigations of charges against students shall be made by the Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services. Cases are referred to the Discipline Committee through its Chair. The Chair shall set the time and place for a hearing and shall notify other members, and from that point all summoning of defendant(s) and witness(es) shall be done by the Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services.

4. Decisions of the Discipline Committee shall be by a majority vote. A quorum shall consist of four members.
5. Any member of the Discipline Committee shall disqualify himself/herself if his/her personal involvement in the case is of such a nature as to be detrimental to the interest of the accused or of the institution.
6. The Discipline Committee shall make a tape recording and/or summary transcription of the proceedings.
7. The hearing and other deliberations of the Discipline Committee shall be open. The Discipline Committee, however, may exclude any person who may be reasonably expected to interfere materially with the hearing or who does interfere materially with the hearing.
8. The Discipline Committee shall provide a brief written summary of each case to the Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services and to the student involved including, upon request of the student, or his/her parent or guardian, a summary of the testimony and the committee's adjudication.

Rights of Student Defendants Before the Discipline Committee

At hearings of the Discipline Committee, the student defendant shall be afforded all rights required by due process, including:

- A. The right to an advisor of his/her choice.
- B. The right to question the complainant.
- C. The right to present evidence in his/her behalf.
- D. The right to call witnesses in his/her behalf.
- E. The right to remain silent and have no inference of guilt drawn from such silence.
- F. The right to cross examination.
- G. The right to appeal if the Discipline Committee imposes suspension or expulsion.
- H. A tape recording and/or summary transcription of the proceedings shall be kept and made available at the student's request for the sole purpose of appeal decision of suspension or expulsion. The student may also have a verbatim transcript made at his/her own expense. The College shall also have this option at its own expense.
- I. The right to be advised of his/her right to appeal the decision of the Discipline Committee.
- J. The right to attend classes and required College functions until a hearing is held and a decision is rendered. Exceptions to this would be made when the student's presence would create a clear and present danger of material interference with the normal operation and processes or the requirements of appropriate discipline at the College. Such temporary protective measures may be applied where the student is accused of violation of a College regulation or of a local, state, or federal law or regulation. It is understood that such temporary protective measures, if applied, will be without avoidable prejudice to the student.

Disciplinary Measures

The following are possible disciplinary measures which may be imposed upon a student for an infraction of the Student Code of Conduct. This list shall not be taken to be exhaustive and may be enlarged or modified to meet particular circumstances in any given case.

1. Expulsion – severance of the student's relationship with the College.
2. Disciplinary Suspension – temporary severance of the student's relationship with the College for a specific period of time, though not less than one term.
3. Disciplinary Probation – notice to the student that any further major disciplinary violation may result in suspension. Disciplinary probation might also include one or more of the following: the setting of restriction, the issuing of a reprimand, or restitution.
4. Reprimand –
 - (1) Oral Reprimand - an oral disapproval issued to the student.
 - (2) Letter of Reprimand - a written statement of disapproval to the student.
5. Restitution – reimbursement for damage to or misappropriation of property. This may take the form of appropriate service or other compensation.
6. Forced Withdrawal – from the academic course within which the offense occurred without credit for the course.

Appellate Procedure

Whenever a student shall be expelled or suspended by the Discipline Committee, such student shall have the right to appeal in accordance with the following procedure:

1. The person aggrieved shall appeal in writing to the head of the institution within five days after the action of which he/she complains. The head of the institution shall within five days appoint a committee composed of three members of the faculty of the institution or he/she shall utilize the services of an appropriate existing committee. This committee shall review all facts and circumstances connected with the case and shall within five days make its finding and report thereon to the President. After consideration of the committee's report, the President shall within five days make a decision which shall be final so far as the institution is concerned.
2. Should the aggrieved person be dissatisfied with said decision, he/she may apply to the Board of Regents, without prejudice to his/her position, for a review of the decision. The application for review shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Secretary of the Board within a period of twenty days, following the decision of the President. This application for review shall state the decision complained of and the redress desired. A review by the Board is not a matter of right, but is within the sound discretion of the Board. If the application for review is granted, the Board, or a committee of the Board, shall investigate the matter thoroughly and render its decision thereon within sixty days from the filing date of the application for review or from the date of any hearing which may be held thereon. The decision of the Board shall be final and binding for all purposes. (Minutes, 1962-63, pp. 244-245; Minutes, 1967-68, pp. 750-751; Minutes, 1973-74, pp. 176-177)

Student Grievances

The Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services is responsible for providing support for students by serving as a voice for student concerns within the broader campus community. The Office also serves as a primary link between students, faculty, and the administration of the College. The Office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services offers a first line of response for students in addressing issues in any area of student life.

Contact Information -

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Where possible, student complaints should be resolved on an informal basis without the filing of a formal grievance. A student has 10 business days from the date of the incident being grieved to resolve his/her complaint informally by approaching his/her instructor, department chair, dean, or any other staff or faculty member directly involved in the grieved incident. Where this process does not result in a resolution of the grievance, the student may proceed to the formal grievance procedure.

Where a student cannot resolve the complaint informally, the formal grievance procedure may be used. Within 15 business days of the incident being grieved, the student must file a formal grievance in the office of the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services (VPESS) with the following information:

1. Name,
2. Date,
3. Brief description of incident being grieved,
4. Remedy requested,
5. Signed, and
6. Informal remedy attempted by student and outcome.

If the grievance is against the VPESS, the student shall file the grievance in the Office of the President.

The VPESS, or her designee, will investigate the matter and supply a written response to the student within 15 business days. If the grieved incident is closely related to an incident being processed through the discipline committee, the discipline committee proceedings will take precedence and the grievance will not be processed until after the discipline hearing. The VPESS, or her designee, shall be granted an additional 15 business days to investigate the grievance upon notice to the grieving student.

If a student is unsatisfied with the response from the VPESS the student may appeal the decision to the President. A student shall file a written appeal to the President within 5 business days of receiving the response. The appeal will be decided based entirely on documents provided by the student and the administration; therefore, the student must ensure that he/she has provided all relevant documents with his/her appeal. At the President's sole discretion, grievance appeals at the institution may be held in one of the following two ways:

1. The President may review the information provided by the student and administration and make the final decision; or

2. The President may appoint a cross-functional committee comprised of three members of the faculty to make the final decision.

The decision of either the President or the cross-functional committee shall be made within 10 business days of receipt by the President of the appeal. The President shall send notification of the decision to the student in writing within five (5) business days of the final decision.

Whichever process is chosen by the President, the decision of the grievance appeal is final.

Retaliation against a student for filing a grievance is strictly prohibited.

In addition, the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs may be asked to respond to grievances concerning maintenance of an appropriate academic environment, such as the openness of every class to reasonable and civil expression of diverse intellectual viewpoints as they may relate to material under study.

Some student complaints have additional formal mechanisms for redress. The processes for these complaints are outlined in the corresponding sections of the Dalton State College catalog .

Review of Policies Related to Student Conduct

In the fall of each even-numbered year, the Student Affairs Council shall appoint a task force to review policies related to student code of conduct, disciplinary procedures and measures, and rights of student defendants. Recommendations for any changes should be made to the Student Affairs Council before the end of the calendar year.

Institutional Policy on Sexual Harassment

Dalton State College seeks to provide an environment that supports effective teaching and learning, mutual respect among students, faculty, and staff, and productive, congenial working relations. Discrimination on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, or handicap subverts these goals and is unacceptable on this campus.

Sexual harassment, whether overt or subtle, is a form of discriminatory behavior incompatible with institutional commitments and is a violation of policies of the Board of Regents (*Policy Manual* 802.18) and federal legislation (Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments).

Legal guidelines published in 1980 by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission provide the following definition of sexual harassment:

Unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature constitute sexual harassment when (1) submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment or academic advancement, (2) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as the basis for employment decisions or academic decisions affecting such individual, (3) such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work or academic performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive working or academic environment.

Sexual harassment may occur between individuals of different status or authority in the institution or between peers. Offenders may be subject to dismissal or other disciplinary action after being afforded procedural due process.

Members of the college community are encouraged to resolve sexual harassment situations as informally as possible. Unresolved problems should be reported immediately to a supervisor, a member of the administrative staff, or to the Equal Opportunity Officer (Vice President for Academic Affairs). Every effort will be made to protect the rights, privacy, and confidentiality of both the complainant and the accused and to protect the complainant from reprisals or other discrimination.

Additional information is available in the Dalton State College Policy and Procedures Statement on Sexual Harassment. Copies are available in the office of the President, the Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services, and the Fiscal Affairs Office and in the Library.

RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT

Victims of sexual assault are afforded rights that are recognized by Dalton State College. These rights include assistance by the College to help the victim. A Policy for Victims of Sexual Assault is available in the Student Affairs Office and in the Public Safety Office. In the event of a sexual assault, please contact one of these offices so that assistance can be rendered. Assistance and appropriate referral information for victims is also available in the AR Center.

Federal Sanctions for Drug Offenders

Official state regulations govern the use, sale, or possession of marijuana, alcohol, and other controlled substances. Violations of these regulations may result in disciplinary action and/or prosecution by proper authorities.

Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841-858 describe the acts and criminal penalties and civil and criminal forfeiture provisions established by Congress, covering 28 pages of text.

Title 21, U.S.C. Section 812, contains five schedules of "controlled substances." Schedule I describes certain opiates; Schedule II contains opium, cocaine, and other addictive substances; Schedule III lists amphetamine, phencyclidine (PCP) and other like matter; Schedule IV involves barbiturates; Schedule V concerns codeine and atropine sulfate, among other preparations. The Attorney General of the United States is authorized to add items to the several schedules.

Alcohol and Drug Abuse

Dalton State College strictly prohibits the consumption, sale, distribution, or possession of any illegal substance or alcoholic beverage on college property or at events sponsored by Dalton State College. Behaviors which are prohibited include, but are not limited to:

- Being intoxicated on the Dalton State campus or at a college sponsored activity
- Operating any vehicle on campus while under the influence of any drug, including alcohol.
- Using club or student activity money to purchase any controlled substance, including alcoholic beverages.

Dalton State College is committed to following Georgia State laws concerning drug and alcohol abuse. Any violation of those laws, which are incorporated into the Dalton State alcohol and drug abuse policy, will result in disciplinary action as decided by the alcohol task force. If you have any questions concerning Georgia state laws or Dalton State's policy on alcohol and drug abuse contact Public Safety at (706) 272-4461.

Alcohol Offenses

OCGA 40-6-391 states that a person under the age of 21 shall not drive or be in actual physical control of any moving vehicle while the person's alcohol concentration is 0.02 grams or more at any time within three hours after such driving or being in physical control from alcohol consumed before such driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle ended.

Consequences for a DUI conviction under the age of 21:

First Offense – .02% to .07% BAC

- License will be revoked for six months
- No nolo contendere plea will be accepted
- Must attend DUI school
- Must retake driver's test before license is reinstated
- Must serve at least 20 hours of community service within 60 days
- Cannot obtain next level of driver's license for a 12 month period

Second Offense - .02% to .07%

- First offense still applies except for the following:
 - License will be suspended for 12 months
 - License will not be reinstated prior to the 12 month period
 - Must do 40 hours of community service that must be served within 60 days

Consequences for a DUI conviction for the age of 21 or over:

First Offense – .08% and above BAC

- Same as above except:
 - Mandatory 24 hour jail time when convicted
 - Driver's license is revoked for 12 months

Second Offense – .08% and above BAC

- Same as above but must do an additional 40 hours of community service

Other provisions

- Anyone over 21 convicted of a DUI could be ordered by a judge to serve a jail sentence for up to 12 months
- Subject to a \$1000 fine.

Health Risks Associated With the Use of Illicit Drugs and Alcohol

Cirrhosis of the Liver; Kidney Damage; Physical and Psychological Addiction; Hallucinations; Lung Damage; Diminished Sperm Count in Males; Impairment of Motor Coordination and Perception; Heart Disease and Failure; Damage to the Developing Fetus; Stomach Ulcers; Brain Damage; Coma; Depression; and Psychosis.

Drug and alcohol abuse result in significant health problems for those who use them. Drug and alcohol use in the workplace not only contributes to lost productivity, but also causes tremendous financial losses related to absenteeism, accidents, health care, loss of trained personnel, and employee treatment programs. Drug and

alcohol abuse causes physical and emotional dependence. Certain drugs, such as opiates, barbiturates, alcohol and nicotine create physical dependence. With prolonged use, these drugs become part of the body chemistry. When a regular user stops taking the drug, the body experiences the physiological trauma known as withdrawal. Psychological dependence occurs when taking drugs becomes the center of the user's life. Drugs have an effect on the mind and body for weeks or even months after drug use has stopped. Drugs and alcohol can interfere with memory, sensation, and perception. They distort experiences and cause loss of self control that can lead users to harm others as well as themselves.

There are certainly many additional health risks associated with substance abuse too lengthy to list. The above are some of the most common and detrimental. For more information concerning these health risks and others, please contact Hamilton Medical Center or the Westcott Center of Hamilton Medical Center.

Drug and Alcohol Counseling, Treatment or Rehabilitation Programs Available to Students and Employees

A combination of several campus offices will provide assistance or act as a referring agency for Dalton State College. Included in the campus efforts to assist those with substance abuse problems are the AR Center, Fiscal Affairs Office and Department of Public Safety.

Services offered by the AR Center include programs and resources to educate and inform students and employees concerning substance abuse and its emotional, physical, and familial effects. To spearhead this effort the following will take place:

These institutional departments will:

1. provide information and act as a referral service for students and employees with substance abuse problems.
2. provide consultation to campus organizations and offices;
3. provide multi-media resources on substance abuse information and alternatives to substance abuse;
4. maintain drug education and resource material for students and employees;
5. explain to employees group insurance covered charges related to alcohol/substance abuse referral and treatment.

All inquiries, treatment, and referrals by the AR Center staff will be treated with utmost confidence.

Community Support Programs/Agencies

Al-Anon for Friends and Families of Alcoholics	800-568-1619
Grupo AA en Español Aprendiendo A Vivir	706-278-0878
Alcoholics Anonymous	706-279-9944
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services (State)	866-845-8975
Drug Information	800-234-0420
MADD	888-833-6033
Narcotics Anonymous	706-279-9974
Hamilton Medical Center	
Westcott Center for Behavioral Health	706-272-6480

Department of Public Safety

Public Safety has the responsibility on campus for safety and security of students, staff, and faculty. Personnel include:

Full-Time and Part-Time State Certified Police Officers

All State Certified Officers complete formal training at a police training academy for certification by the Georgia Peace Officers Standards and Training Council. All officers receive annually at least twenty (20) hours of in-service training, including but not limited to legal updates: crime prevention; firearm instructions and requalifications; defensive tactics; baton recertifications; safety, fire, and evacuation response; C.P.R. and first aid.

Campus Police Authority and Jurisdiction

Public Safety Officers have complete police authority to apprehend and arrest anyone involved in illegal acts on and immediately adjacent to the DSC Campus. If minor offenses involving college policies or rules and regulations are committed by a student, the Public Safety Officer may also refer the individual to the Vice President for Enrollment and Student Services. Major offenses are reported to the local police and joint investigations are conducted.

Reporting of Crime Statistics

Public Safety will report all crimes reported to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. This monthly statistical data will be recorded for use in the FBI's Uniform Crime Report and is available upon request.

Reporting Criminal Actions and Other Campus Emergencies

Criminal or suspected criminal actions and complaints occurring on campus should be reported to Public Safety immediately for investigation by a Campus Police Officer.

The Public Safety Office should be contacted by dialing 4461 (from off-campus, 706-272-4461) concerning any accident or emergency situation on campus. All officers are trained in first aid and C.P.R. to assist in emergencies in determining appropriate action to undertake regarding health and safety.

NOTICE

WHEN REPORTING A VEHICLE ACCIDENT OR INJURY OCCURRING ON CAMPUS, CALL EXT. 4461 AND PROVIDE:

- (1) NAME OF PERSON CALLING
- (2) TYPE OF ACCIDENT (VEHICLE OR BODILY)
- (3) NUMBER INJURED
- (4) LOCATION OF ACCIDENT

Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds

Physical Plant maintains College buildings and grounds for safety and security, inspects campus facilities and responds to repairs. Lighting, trees and shrubbery are all maintained with safety and security as primary concerns.

PUBLIC SAFETY REGULATIONS

TRAFFIC CODE

General Statement of Policy

- (1) Parking and traffic rules are recommended by the Student Traffic Committee and adopted by the Student Activities Council.
- (2) For the purpose of these regulations a motor vehicle includes automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, motor scooters, motorbikes, and other motor powered vehicles.
- (3) The term "student" includes all who are enrolled through DSC or other USG or DTAE units.
- (4) The term "visitor" includes any person other than faculty, staff, or student parking or driving a non-registered vehicle on campus.

Motor Vehicle Registration

- (1) All faculty, staff, and students' motor vehicles must be registered for campus parking and a current decal must be displayed. Expired decals must be removed.
- (2) Registered vehicles must be covered by liability insurance, and drivers must have a valid drivers license.
- (3) Temporary permits may be secured for one week at no charge at the Public Safety Office between 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

General Rules

The registrant of a motor vehicle is held responsible for the safe and prudent operation and proper parking of his/her vehicle regardless of who may be the operator.

- (1) Curbs painted yellow are NO PARKING AREAS.
- (2) Parking against the flow of traffic is prohibited at all times.
- (3) Vehicles parked on campus after school hours may be towed away.
- (4) No vehicles may be backed into parking places.
- (5) STUDENT VEHICLES PARKED IN VISITOR'S OR SPACES RESERVED FOR FACULTY AND STAFF MAY BE TOWED AWAY.
- (6) All faculty and staff reserved parking areas will be painted in RED.
- (7) Fines will be paid at the Business Office in the Westcott Building during the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. An appeal slip may be obtained from the Public Safety Office. Any questions or problems with the fines should be brought to the attention of the Public Safety Office no later than five school days after the ticket is issued. After five school days, the right to an appeal will be forfeited. If the ticket is paid within five school days, the fine will be reduced by one-half.
- (8) Speed limits are as posted.
- (9) NO PARKING - AT ANY TIME - ON COLLEGE DRIVE
- (10) Decals are not transferable.
- (11) No student parking in front of Westcott before 4:30 p.m.
- (12) Parking after 4:30 p.m. in front of the Westcott Building is permitted as long as there is space available. The lanes and turn-ins to the parking lots must stay open and not blocked for the entrance of emergency vehicles.

- (13) Parking after 4:30 p.m. will be permitted for any student in Sequoia Hall/ Student Center parking lot except those spaces marked for night/day faculty only.
- (14) No exiting from the parking lots by way of marked entrances.
- (15) No entering of parking lots by way of marked exits.
- (16) All vehicle and bodily injury accidents on campus must be reported to Public Safety, and an investigation will be conducted by Public Safety.
- (17) Neither DSC nor any of its employees assume any responsibility or liability for loss from theft or damage due to vehicles parked on campus.

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- (1) NAME OF PERSON CALLING
- (2) TYPE OF ACCIDENT (VEHICLE OR BODILY INJURY)
- (3) HOW MANY INJURED
- (4) LOCATION OF ACCIDENT

Penalties and Fines for Violations

If a fine is paid within five school days, the fine will be reduced by one-half. Appeals can be made at the Public Safety Office.

The right to appeal will be forfeited after five days.

Failure to pay fines approved by the Traffic Appeals Committee will result in withholding of transcripts to other institutions or agencies, or may hinder registration.

(1) Failure to display parking permit	\$10.00
(2) Parking on yellow line	\$10.00
(3) Parking in faculty zones or other reserved spaces	\$20.00
(4) Improperly parked	\$10.00
(5) Parking in unauthorized or restricted areas	\$10.00
(6) Speeding	\$10.00
(7) Reckless driving	\$20.00
(8) Backing into parking space (other than parallel space)	\$10.00
(9) Parking in handicapped space	\$30.00
(10) Other	\$10.00

Traffic Appeals Committee

The Traffic Committee meets regularly (day to be announced) in the Student Center (conference room to be announced).

Any person wishing to appeal a traffic ticket must do so by picking up an appeal form and returning it to the Public Safety Office. After filing a written appeal, the person appealing the ticket has the option to appear in person before the Traffic Committee or the appeal will be read in his/her absence.

The person attending the Traffic Committee hearing will be immediately informed of the Traffic Committee's decision. In every case the appeal results will be mailed.

Georgia Seat Belt Usage Information

Dalton State will comply with and enforce the state laws of Georgia to ensure student safety. They are as follows:

OCGA 40-8-76 - Safety belts required as equipment; safety restraints for children four years of age.

Children aged four or younger riding in a passenger automobile, van, or pickup truck while vehicle is in motion on a public road, street, or highway of Georgia are required to be restrained.

OCGA 40-8-76.1 - Use of safety belts in passenger vehicles

Each occupant of the front seat of a passenger vehicle must buckle up. All persons under the age of 18 in passenger vehicles and pickup trucks must buckle up. Children under age three must be properly secured in an approved child safety seat when riding in trucks, vans, and cars. Taxi Cabs and Transit Vehicles are exempted. Associated Law: It is unlawful for any person under the age of 18 to ride in the covered or uncovered bed of a pickup truck on any public road, street, highway, or interstate highway in Georgia. The driver in violation is guilty of a misdemeanor. Penalty: First conviction – fine up to \$50; second or subsequent conviction – fine up to \$100. One citation may be written PER child unrestrained or improperly restrained.

For more information please contact:

- Dalton State Public Safety Office at (706) 272-4461
- TEAM Georgia at (404) 261-6053
- Governor's Office of Highway Safety at (404) 656-6996

First Aid - Accident Procedures

The following procedures have been revised and are recommended in case of any accident or emergency situation relating to health on the campus of Dalton State College.

In case of minor cuts, scratches, etc., first aid kits are located in all campus buildings.

In case of an accident of a more serious nature, faculty, staff, and students are requested to:

1. Not move the patient.
2. Immediately notify the Department of Public Safety at Ext. 4461.

The Public Safety Officers will then make a determination of the best course of action regarding the patient's health and safety.

An appropriate accident/incident report must be completed and filed with the Director of Public Safety/Security for record keeping and verification.

Students requiring medical attention must defray their own expense.

It is recommended that each faculty member at the beginning of each term offer students a chance to inform the faculty member, in confidence, of any medical problem such as seizures, for example, that may affect the student in class.

CHILDREN ON CAMPUS POLICY

Child care facilities are not available on campus. The institution is not responsible for children. Children must not be left unsupervised on campus. Children are not permitted to accompany students to classes, laboratories, seminars, etc.

In patrols of the buildings, if unattended minor children are found in the hallways or campus grounds, Public Safety will complete the following:

1. Have the child assist them in locating the parent.
2. Officers will interrupt the class in a professional manner and request the parent to step out of the classroom. The parent will be instructed to take immediate care and control of their child. Officer will complete a Miscellaneous Incident Report titled *Unattended Child*.
3. In situations where the parent is not attending class, and is not in the immediate area, Officers may be required to bring the child to the Public Safety Office until the parent can be located. A Miscellaneous Incident Report or other reports will be completed per the Officer's determination.
4. Children may be on campus accompanied by their parents for short, infrequent visits. However, children may not remain with the parents for extended periods of time as they may interfere with the performance of the employee/student and may compromise the safety of the children. Should this instance occur, the parent will be instructed to take the children home.