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Introduction

This report is provided in compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Crime Statistics Act, as amended. It provides students and employees of Prince George's Community College ("College") with information on: the College's security arrangements, policies and procedures; programs that provide education on such things as drug and alcohol abuse, awareness of various kinds of sex offenses; the prevention of crime generally; and procedures the College will take to notify the campus community in the event of an emergency. Its purpose is to provide students and employees with information that will help them make informed decisions relating to their own safety and the safety of others.

Policy for Preparing the Annual Security Report

This report is prepared by the Office of the Vice President for Policy and General Counsel in cooperation with local law enforcement authorities and includes information provided by them as well as by the College's campus security authorities and various other elements of the College. Each year, an email notification is sent to all enrolled students and employees that provides the website link to access this report. Prospective students and employees are also notified of the report's availability. Hard copies of the report may also be obtained at no cost by contacting Prince George's Community College Office of the Vice President for Policy and General Counsel, 301 Largo Road, Kent Hall, Rm 130, Largo, MD 20774. The College is committed to taking the actions necessary to provide a safe and secure working/learning environment for all students and staff. As a member of the campus community, you can feel safe and comfortable knowing that security procedures are in place that represent best practices in the field and are constantly tested and re-evaluated for their effectiveness.

General Safety and Security Policies

Campus Security Personnel and Relationship with Local Law Enforcement

The College Police Department is responsible for campus safety at the College, including the main campus and the extension centers.

Members of the College Police are commissioned law enforcement officers. They have the authority to make arrests and carry firearms. The department's jurisdiction covers all of the College's property. The College's police officers have the authority to enforce the laws of the State of Maryland and make arrests on all College property and adjacent streets.

By mutual agreement with state and federal agencies, the College Police can access the National Crime Information Center computer system. This computer database is used for accessing criminal history data, nationwide police records, and driver/vehicle identification information, as well as other local, state, and federal law enforcement information.

The College Police Department works closely with the Prince George's County Sheriff's Office, Prince George's County Police Department, and all appropriate elements of the criminal justice system. Investigative efforts, resources, crime-related reports, and other information are shared with the appropriate law enforcement agency as deemed necessary. PGCC does not currently rely on any memoranda of understanding with local law enforcement agencies; however, PGCC is exploring the possibility of formalizing these effective relationships via written agreement.

Campus Security Authorities

The College has designated certain officials to serve as campus security authorities (CSAs). Reports of criminal activity can be made to these officials. They in turn, will ensure that the crimes are reported for collection as part of the College's annual report of crime statistics. The campus security authorities to whom the College would prefer that crimes be reported are listed below.

- Barbara A. Smith, Acting Police Chief and Clery Officer, smithba@pgcc.edu
- Britt S. Howard, Manager, Police Communications, howardbx@pgcc.edu
- Mark M. McDonald, Coordinator, Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, mcdonamm@pgcc.edu
- Shaundricka Ranel, Senior Director of Policy, Compliance & Title IX, ranelsm@pgcc.edu
- Paulett D. McIntosh, Program Manager, Student Engagement & Leadership, mcintopd@pgcc.edu
- Danielle LaSure-Bryant, Program Director, Mental Health and Wellness Center, dlasureb@pgcc.edu
- Rosa D. Smith, Director, University Town Center, smithrd@pgcc.edu
- Jason Kilmer, Director, Laurel College Center, kilmerjl@pgcc.edu

Reporting a Crime or Emergency

The College encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all criminal actions, emergencies, or other incidents occurring on campus, on other property owned by the College, or on nearby public property to the appropriate administrator and appropriate police agencies. Such a report is encouraged when the victim of a crime elects to, or is unable to, make such a report.

All crimes occurring on or near College property should be reported immediately to College Police. The number to contact is 301-546-0111. A dispatcher or armed police officer is available to respond to phone calls 24/7. College Police notifies the Title IX Coordinator of reports of sexual misconduct in order to coordinate an appropriate response.

If a crime is in progress or there is some other situation posing imminent danger, local law enforcement can be reached by dialing 9-1-1.

Students, staff, and visitors should also report situations to one of the campus security authorities identified above. Once reported, the individual may also be encouraged to report the situation to the appropriate police agency. If requested, a College staff member will assist in making the report to police.

Reports made to any College Police Officer, Public Service Aide, contracted security officer, part-time law enforcement officer working at a College location, CSA, or local law enforcement will be assessed for potential dissemination of a timely warning or emergency notification via an Owl Alert. Such reports will also be included in the Daily Crime Log and the crime statistics reported in the Annual Security Report, as appropriate. Please note: The Owl Alert emergency text and email messaging system is also used to send alerts about technology and utility disruptions.

Anonymous incident reports may also be made by phone at 301-546-0666 and online at <http://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?PrinceGeorgesCC>.

Campus-specific Crime Reporting and Emergency Contact Information

As always, in an emergency, persons may dial 9-1-1 at all locations.

To make a police report, a victim or bystander may contact the local police agencies listed below, either by phone or in person. Callers should provide as much information as possible, including name, address, and when and what occurred, to the best of their ability.

Largo (Main Campus)

On-Campus Emergency: (301) 546-0111

Non-Emergency: (301) 546-0666

Prince George's County Police Department – Division II: (301) 390-2100

Emergency: 9-1-1



To report a crime or emergency to College Police on the Largo campus, there are Code Blue emergency callboxes in the parking lots, track, and fields, as well as near elevators and some classrooms.

Joint Base Andrews

On-campus Emergency: (301) 546-0111

Non-Emergency: (301) 546-0666

Joint Base Andrews – Security Force: (301) 981-2002

Prince George's County Police Division IV – (301) 749-4901

Emergency: 9-1-1

Laurel College Center

On-campus Emergency: (301) 546-0111

Non-Emergency: (301) 546-8940

Laurel City Police Department: (301) 498-0092

Prince George's County Police Department – Division VI: (301) 937-0910

Emergency: 9-1-1

Skilled Trades Center

On-campus Emergency: (301) 546-0111

Non-Emergency: (301) 546-0894

Prince George's County Police Department – Division V: (301) 856-3130

Emergency: 9-1-1

University Town Center

On-campus Emergency: (301) 546-0111

Non-Emergency: (301) 546-8882

Prince George's County Police Department – Division I: (301) 699-2630

Hyattsville City Police Department: (301) 985-5060

Emergency: 9-1-1

Confidential Reporting

The College will protect the confidentiality of victims. Only those with a need to know the identity for purposes of investigating the crime, assisting the victim or disciplining the perpetrator will know the victim's identity.

Witnesses and victims of crime who do not want to pursue action within the College or the criminal justice system may want to consider voluntarily making a confidential or anonymous report to College police officers or to a non-security CSA. With some exceptions, as noted below, these officials can file a report on the details of the incident without revealing the victim's identity. Such a confidential report complies with the victim's wishes but still helps the College take appropriate steps to ensure the future safety of the victim and others. With such information, the College can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving members of the campus community, determine where a pattern of crime may be developing, and alert the community as to any potential danger. These confidential reports are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the College.

Professional counselors are designated by the College as confidential resources and have a legal obligation to keep communications confidential when acting in their professional capacity, unless there is an imminent threat to health or safety or another basis for disclosure pursuant to law, or unless consent to share the information has been provided by the counselee. Information shared with confidential resources does not constitute a report or complaint filed with the College for the purpose of initiating an investigation and does not require the College to seek resolution.

The College's professional counselors, when acting as such, are not considered to be CSAs and are not required to report crimes for inclusion into the annual disclosure of crime statistics. It is standard procedure for each professional counselor to inform a counselee at the beginning of a counseling session that the counselor is authorized, with some exceptions, to maintain confidentiality. The College encourages its professional counselors, if and when they deem it appropriate, to inform the person they are counseling to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual report of crime statistics. The College does not have pastoral counselors.

When College Police can include information captured in confidential reports, it can keep an accurate record of the number of incidents involving students, employees, and visitors; properly assess risk and discover patterns of crime with regard to a particular location, method, or

assailant; and alert the College community to potential danger. Reports filed in confidence are counted and disclosed in the annual crime statistics for the College and may be the subject of a timely warning, emergency notification, or other security notification to some or all of the College community.

Title IX requires the College to designate “Officials with Authority,” who are College employees required to share any report with the Title IX Coordinator. The College’s Officials with Authority are the Title IX Coordinator, the Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Equity, Culture, and Talent, and the Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Student Affairs. Any report of sexual misconduct provided to these individuals will result in an investigation of the misconduct at issue. All other College employees (except for confidential employees) are expected to share any information regarding sexual misconduct directly with the Title IX Coordinator.

Victims and witnesses should be aware that the College will strive to protect, to the greatest extent possible, the confidentiality of persons reporting or accused of crimes and related information. However, the College cannot guarantee complete confidentiality where it would conflict with the College’s legal obligation to investigate a complaint, take steps to deter further crime, or fulfill its duty to comply with other legal obligations (e.g., responding to a subpoena).

Security of and Access to Campus Facilities

During business hours, the College is open to students, employees, contractors, guests, and visitors. Buildings in which evening classes are held will remain open to students and employees as appropriate. During non-business hours, access to all College buildings is controlled by a key/keycard or by admittance by College Police. During periods of extended closing, doors to all buildings will be secured, and only those with prior approval from College leadership will be admitted.

Students and employees are asked to be alert and not to circumvent practices and procedures that are meant to preserve their safety and that of others.

- Do not prop doors open or allow strangers into campus buildings that have been secured.
- Do not lend keys or access cards to anyone, and do not leave them unattended.
- Do not give access codes to anyone who does not belong to the campus community.

College Police patrol the Largo campus buildings and grounds regularly. All exterior doors and facilities are locked by 10:00 p.m. and unlocked at or about 7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday. On Saturdays and Sundays, no exterior doors are opened unless there is a planned event or class. In these cases, the doors near the event are opened 30 minutes before the scheduled starting time and secured 30 minutes after the conclusion. During special events, the only doors opened are those needed to provide access to the event and emergency fire exits.

Hours of access to the College's main campus and extension centers

PGCC Hours of Operation			
(All locations are closed on Sunday except Largo, which may have events or classes.)			
Campus	Monday-Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Joint Base Andrews	8:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.	9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.	9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Largo Campus	7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. ¹
Laurel College Center	8:30 a.m. – 10 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ²	8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Skilled Trades Center	8:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
University Town Center	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.	7:30 am – 4:30 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

In addition to armed police patrol and unarmed security, the College has a 24/7 police dispatch and police officer hotline, as well as surveillance cameras at every College location. Details regarding patrol assistance are provided above. Further, there are Code Blue Emergency Callboxes on the Largo campus. These boxes are located in the parking lots, track, and fields of the Largo campus, as well as near elevators and some classrooms. They can be used to contact the College Police for emergency assistance.

PGCC requests that all students, staff, and faculty have their College identification cards in their possession while on College property, and ID should be displayed upon request by any College official. College ID cards aid College Police by offering a quick and effective way to identify a person who is not authorized to access College facilities.

Security Considerations in the Maintenance of Facilities

The College Police work with the Facilities Department to identify maintenance issues on campus that may be safety hazards. Safety checks are completed to identify street or safety lights that are not functioning properly and to determine whether shrubs or other landscaping might need trimming. Maintenance personnel regularly check to ensure there is adequate lighting on pathways and that egress lighting is working in hallways and stairwells.

The College has procedures to ensure that repairs and maintenance related to safety and security are completed in a timely fashion. Requests for repairs such as burned-out lights, damaged windows, or broken locks, should be reported using a work order request in PGCC's electronic system, which will be sent to the Facilities Operations staff who also can be reached at 301-546-0655. Facilities Operations personnel are on-call for emergency repairs after normal business hours, including weekends, and can be reached by calling College Police at 301-546-0666.

The Daily Crime Log

The College Police maintain a Daily Crime Log of all criminal incidents that are reported within the last 60 days within the College's Clery geography, including its patrol jurisdiction. The crime log is updated within two business days, and incidents are summarized by location with the nature of the crime, date, time, location, and status (Initial Disposition Open, Closed, or

¹ The Largo Campus may be open later on Saturdays for events.

² Laurel College Center's Friday hours are subject to change based on course schedules.

Inactive). Personally identifiable information (PII) is not included in the crime log. A hard copy of the daily crime log is available at College Police headquarters, located in the Facilities Management and College Police Building on the Largo campus.

Educational Programs Related to Security Awareness and Prevention of Criminal Activity

The College seeks to enhance the security of its campus and the members of the campus community by periodically presenting educational programs to inform students and employees about campus security procedures and practices, to encourage students and employees to be responsible for their own security and the security of others, and to inform them about the prevention of crimes. These programs are discussed below.

The College provides information at the beginning of each academic term for students and employees regarding the College's security procedures and practices. College Police messaging advises students and employees of the importance of reporting criminal activity and to whom crimes should be reported. Additionally, the community is directed to take ownership of their safety as well as the welfare of others. Members of the College community are notified in a timely manner about safety situations and crimes that are considered possible threats. The primary method of notification is by use of the "Owl Alert" Emergency Text Messaging and Email Notification System. The collegewide email system is also used for "Safety Alerts."

In 2024, various crime prevention programs, security awareness programs, and resource distribution events were provided by various partners, including the Office of Student Services, the Wellness and Mental Health Center, the Office of Student Engagement and Leadership (SEAL), College Police, Professional and Organizational Development, and the Prince George's County Sheriff's Department. These programs are discussed below.

Security Awareness Programs for Students and Employees

At the beginning of the fall and spring semesters, students are informed of the College's security procedures and practices, as well as services offered by College Police. During New Student Convocation and the Student Resource Fair, slide presentations and on-demand videos outline ways to maintain personal safety, and students are informed about crime on College property and in surrounding neighborhoods. During new employee orientation, Professional and Organizational Development introduces the College's public safety information and emergency notification tool as well as crime prevention resources. Periodically, Crime Prevention Programs and Sexual Assault Prevention Programs are offered by the College. The College's Bard Library provides access to an array of videos and books about campus safety for faculty, staff, and students. During 2024, Professional and Organizational Development acquired additional higher education safety and prevention solutions from a safety-focused vendor to provide additional training for faculty and staff.

Crime Prevention Programs for Students and Employees

The College Police, along with other College organizations and departments, offer various crime prevention programs for students and employees. The programs provide a variety of educational strategies and tips on how individuals can protect themselves from sexual assault, theft, and other crimes, as well as how to prepare for and react to emergencies. During 2024, instructor-led and online training via the College's learning management system were offered.

The following are guidelines that help everyone maintain a safe environment at the College.

- Download and become familiar with the Safety App called Owl SAFE.
- Walk in well-lit and well-traveled areas after dark.
- Walk with a friend, use the Owl SAFE app, or call College Police for an escort.
- Immediately report all suspicious persons, vehicles, or activities.
- Immediately report all crimes, security problems, or hazardous conditions.
- Do not prop open any locked exterior doors or leave ground-floor windows open.
- Never study alone in an isolated area of a building.
- Lock your car and secure valuables when using parking lots and parking garages.
- Become familiar with locations of emergency exits, fire alarm pull stations, and fire extinguishers in buildings you frequent.
- Keep office keys, building keys, and access cards with you, and do not lend them to unauthorized persons.
- Become familiar with the College's Emergency Operations Plan.
- Read and abide by the Student Code of Conduct and encourage others to do so as well.
- Become familiar with the Employee Guide and the College Code.

Monitoring Off-Campus Locations of Recognized Student Organizations

The College does not have any officially recognized student organizations with off-campus locations and therefore does not monitor or record criminal conduct occurring at such locations.

Disclosure of the Outcome of a Crime of Violence or Non-Forcible Sex Offense

Upon written request, the College will disclose to the alleged victim of a crime of violence (as that term is defined in section 16 of title 18, United States Code), or a non-forcible sex offense, the report on the results of any disciplinary proceeding conducted by the College against a student who is the alleged perpetrator of such crime or offense. If the alleged victim is deceased as a result of such crime or offense, the next of kin of such victim shall be treated as the alleged victim for purposes of the paragraph.

The previous paragraph does not apply to victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking because under the Violence Against Women Act, both the accused and accuser in these cases are given the results without the need to make a written request.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

The College is committed to creating and maintaining an environment that is free of alcohol abuse. The College prohibits the possession, use, and sale of alcoholic beverages on-campus or as any part of the College's activities, unless it is done in accordance with applicable College policies, and it also enforces the state's underage drinking laws.

The College complies with and upholds federal, state, and local laws that regulate or prohibit the possession, use, sale, or other distribution of illegal drugs. The possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs is prohibited on campus or as any part of the College's activities. Violators of the College's policies or federal and state laws regarding illegal drugs will be subject to disciplinary action and possible criminal prosecution.

Federal Drug Laws (updated 07.18.2025)

Denial of Federal Benefits (21 U.S.C. § 862) A federal drug conviction may result in the loss of federal benefits, including loans, grants, scholarships, contracts, and licenses, although the Department of Education has said it will no longer disqualify students from Title IV aid for a federal or state conviction for possession or sale of a controlled substance.

Forfeiture of Personal Property and Real Estate (21 U.S.C. § 853) Any person convicted of a federal drug offense punishable by more than one year in prison shall forfeit to the United States any personal or real property related to the violation. A warrant of seizure may be issued and property seized at the time an individual is arrested on charges that may result in forfeiture.

Federal Drug Trafficking Penalties (21 U.S.C. § 841) Penalties for federal drug trafficking convictions vary according to the type and quantity of the controlled substance involved in the transaction. Penalties for subsequent convictions are more severe. Federally-defined schedules of controlled substances are published at 21 U.S.C. 812.

In the case of a controlled substance in schedule I or schedule II, GHB (or, "liquid ecstasy"), or flunitrazepam (or, "rohypnol"), a person shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than 20 years. If death or serious bodily injury results from the use of a controlled substance which has been illegally distributed, the person convicted on federal charges of distributing the substance faces the possibility of a life sentence and fines ranging up to \$10 million.

In the case of a controlled substance in schedule III, a person shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than 10 years, and if death or serious bodily injury results, shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of not more than 15 years or a fine not to exceed \$500,000, or both, for a first offense.

For less than 50 kilograms of marijuana, the term of imprisonment shall not be more than five years, and the fine shall not be more than \$250,000, or both, for a first offense.

In the case of a schedule IV substance, the term of imprisonment shall not be more than five years, and the fine shall not be more than \$250,000, or both, for a first offense.

Persons convicted on federal charges of drug trafficking within 1,000 feet of an elementary school, secondary school, college, or university (**21 U.S.C. § 860**) face penalties of prison terms and fines which are twice as high as the regular penalties for the offense, with a mandatory prison sentence of at least one year, unless the offense involves five grams or less of marijuana.

Federal Drug Possession Penalties (21 U.S.C. § 844) Persons convicted on federal charges of possessing any controlled substance face penalties of up to one year in prison, a mandatory fine of no less than \$1,000, or both. Second convictions are punishable by not less than 15 days but not more than two years in prison and a minimum fine of \$2,500. Subsequent convictions are punishable by not less than 90 days but not more than three years in prison and a minimum fine of \$5,000.

For the most recent and complete Federal Trafficking Penalties information, visit the website of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration at www.campusdrugprevention.gov/sites/default/files/2022-07/Federal_Trafficking_Penalties_Chart_6-23-22.pdf.

Drug and Alcohol State Laws

Category	Summary (Code of Maryland)
Possession of Marijuana (Cannabis)	<p>Maryland legalized the use and possession of a “personal use amount” of recreational cannabis for individuals age 21 and over effective July 1, 2023. Md. Code. Art. 20, § 1. The “personal use amount” of cannabis is defined as an amount of usable cannabis less than 1.5 ounces; an amount of concentrated cannabis less than 12 grams; an amount of cannabis products containing delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol not exceeding 750 milligrams; or two or fewer cannabis plants. <i>See</i> Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-101(u). A person under 21 in possession of a personal use amount commits a civil offense punishable by a fine of up to \$100 with the possibility of a court ordered education program. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-601(c).</p> <p>There is a \$250 penalty for the possession of the “civil use amount” of cannabis, defined as usable cannabis between 1.5 and 2.5 ounces; concentrated cannabis between 12 and 20 grams; or cannabis products containing delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol between 750 and 1,250 milligrams. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-101(e-2); Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-601(c). If the perpetrator is under the age of 21, attendance to a drug education program may be required by the court. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-601. Use or possession of more than the civil use amount of cannabis is a misdemeanor subject to imprisonment not exceeding 6 months, a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or both. <i>Id.</i></p> <p>Individuals aged 21 and older may not cultivate more than two cannabis plants and must take reasonable privacy/security precautions when doing so. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-601.2. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor subject to imprisonment for up to 3 years or a fine of up to \$5,000, or both. <i>Id.</i> The two plant limitation applies to each household (i.e., If more than two people at least 21-years-old live at the same residence, no more than two cannabis plants may be grown at the residence). <i>Id.</i></p>

Category	Summary (Code of Maryland)
	<p>Smoking cannabis in public is a civil offense. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-601(c). The fine for the first offense is up to \$50, and a subsequent offense is subject to a fine of up to \$150. <i>Id.</i> Certain establishments may permit on-site consumption outdoors with a proper license. Md. Code., Alcoholic Beverages § 36-407.</p> <p>Only a licensed business may sell cannabis. <i>See</i> Ms. Code. Ann. Crim. Law §5-607; Md. Code, Alcoholic Beverages § 36-401. A person who impermissibly manufactures/distributes cannabis, or intends to do so, is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to imprisonment for up to 3 years or a fine of up to \$5,000, or both. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §5-607.</p> <p>Maryland allows certified physicians to provide cannabis prescriptions for chronic or debilitating disease or medical condition or medical conditions that may be relieved by cannabis. Md. Code, Alcoholic Beverages §§ 36-301, 36-302.</p>
Controlled Substances	<p>Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §§ 5-601 – 5-908 cover a wide range of offenses related to controlled substances. These penalties vary widely based on the type of drug, the number of previous offenses, and whether the individual intended to manufacture, sell, or use the drug. Penalties for possession or administration for most controlled substances result in prison sentences up to 2 years and monetary fines not exceeding \$5,000. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 5-601. Penalties for Schedule I or II narcotic drug possession and administration could result in imprisonment up to 20 years and a fine up to \$15,000 or both. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 5-608. Use or possession of drug paraphernalia (not including cannabis paraphernalia), for a first offense, is subject to a fine not to exceed \$500. Subsequent violations result in imprisonment not exceeding two years, \$2000, or both. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 5-609. Stiffer penalties result for violations near a school. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 5-627. Manufacture of, distribution of, or intent to distribute controlled substances carries increased penalties. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §§ 5-602 – 5-709.</p>
Alcohol & Minors	<p>It is unlawful for an individual under 21 years of age to possess or consume alcohol unless furnished by an immediate family member and consumed in their private residence. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §10-114. If convicted, the individual will pay fines up to \$500 for a first offense, and up to \$1,000 for subsequent offenses. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 10-119. Possession of a fake I.D. is also illegal. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 10-115. It is additionally unlawful for an individual to obtain, attempt to obtain, or provide alcohol for anyone the individual knows to be under the age of 21. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §10-116. Underage consumption of alcohol or provision of alcohol to an individual under the age of 21 result in a fine up to \$2,500, with increased fines for subsequent offenses. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law §10-121.</p>
Driving Under the Influence (DUI)	<p>In Maryland, driving with a blood alcohol concentration in excess of 0.08 or under the influence of a controlled substance will result in a driving under the influence charge. For a first offense, this charge carries a penalty of imprisonment up to 1 year, a fine up to \$1,000, or both. Sentences and fines</p>

Category	Summary (Code of Maryland)
	<p>increase with subsequent offenses. Md. Code Ann., Transp. §§ 11-174.1, 21-902.</p> <p>Maryland has an additional offense for driving while impaired if the driver's coordination deviates from normal based on any alcohol or drug usage, even if the individual's blood alcohol content is not in excess of 0.08. Md. Code Ann., Trans. §21-902. For first-time offenders this charge results in imprisonment up to 2 months, a fine up to \$500, or both, with increasing penalties for subsequent crimes.</p>

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program

In compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) the College has a drug and alcohol abuse and prevention program, which includes an annual notification to students and employees regarding certain drug/alcohol-related information (such as legal sanctions for violations of applicable laws, health risks, etc.) and a biennial review of this program to evaluate its effectiveness and assess whether sanctions are being consistently enforced.

The College prohibits the use of tobacco and cannabis on campus. All students and employees are responsible for understanding and complying with this policy.

For more information regarding the College's Drug and Alcohol Prevention Program, contact the Office of Student Affairs in Kent Hall, Office 119, Telephone: 301-546-0412. The College provides informative prevention education programs through a variety of College-sponsored workshops and lectures on alcohol, tobacco, opioids, and other drug-related issues. The programs provide services related to drug use and abuse, including the distribution of informational materials, educational programs, counseling services, and referrals for assistance. The Office of Student Affairs provides overall coordination of the Drug-Free School Program. Additional information is available in the following documents:

- PGCC's Drug and Alcohol Awareness Policy and Biennial Review Webpage: <https://www.pgcc.edu/about-pgcc/institutional-information--policies/drug-and-alcohol-awareness-policy/>.
- Student alcohol/drug policy: 2024- 2025 PGCC Student Handbook page 74: <https://www.pgcc.edu/info-for/current-students/student-handbook/>.
- Drug and Alcohol Abuse Procedure (031015CP), accessible electronically to PGCC employees only through MyPolicies at <https://pgcc.mypolicies.com/documents/031015cp-drug-and-alcohol-abuse-procedure>.
- Drug free workplace procedure (081026CP), accessible electronically to PGCC employees only through MyPolicies at <https://pgcc.mypolicies.com/documents/081026-drug-free-workplace-policy>.
- Drug/Alcohol Free Workplace Statement: PGCC Employee Guide page 10: <https://www.pgcc.edu/media/Employee-Guide.pdf>.

Policies, Procedures, and Programs Related to Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking

Consistent with applicable laws, the College prohibits dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. The College's policy used to address complaints of this nature, as well as the procedures for filing, investigating, and resolving complaints, may be found at:

- Title IX Complaint and Grievance Process: <https://www.pgcc.edu/title-ix/>

We note here and discuss below that the Student Conduct Process may be used for allegations of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking that fall outside of the scope of the Title IX Complaint and Grievance Process. See Appendix A of this document for a copy of relevant sections of the Student Conduct Process. In addition, allegations pertaining to employees that fall outside of the Title IX Process may be referred to Equity, Culture, and Talent, as noted in Appendix B.

The following sections of this report discuss the College's educational programs to promote the awareness of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking; provide information concerning procedures students and employees should follow and the services available in the event they do become a victim of one of these offenses, and advise students and employees of the disciplinary procedures that will be followed after an allegation that one of these offenses has occurred.

Primary Prevention and Awareness Program:

The College conducts a Primary Prevention and Awareness Program (PPAP) for all incoming students and new employees. The PPAP advises campus community members that the College prohibits the offenses of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. They are also informed of the topics discussed below, including relevant definitions, risk reduction, and bystander intervention.

Crime Definitions

Crime Type (Code of Maryland)	Definitions
Dating Violence	The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Maryland law does not define the term dating violence.
Domestic Violence	<p>“Domestic violence” (Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 4-701) means abuse occurring between: (1) current or former spouses or cohabitants; (2) persons who have a child in common; or (3) persons currently or formerly involved in a dating relationship.</p> <p>Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 4-513 defines a victim of domestic violence to mean “an individual who has received deliberate, severe, and demonstrable physical injury, or is in fear of imminent deliberate, severe, and demonstrable</p>

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	<p>physical injury from a current or former spouse, or a current or former cohabitant, as defined in § 4-501 of this subtitle.”</p> <p>Maryland's protective order statutes provide the following related definitions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Abuse”(Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 4-501(b)(1)) means any of the following acts: (i) an act that causes serious bodily harm; (ii) an act that places a person eligible for relief in fear of imminent serious bodily harm; (iii) assault in any degree; (iv) rape or sexual offense under §§ 3-303 through 3-308 of the Criminal Law Article or attempted rape or sexual offense in any degree; (v) false imprisonment; (vi) stalking under § 3-802 of the Criminal Law Article; or (vii) revenge porn under § 3-809 of the Criminal Law Article. • “Revenge porn” (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-809(c)): A person may not knowingly distribute a visual representation of another identifiable person that displays the other person with his or her intimate parts exposed or while engaged in an act of sexual activity: (1) with the intent to harm, harass, intimidate, threaten, or coerce the other person; (2)(i) under circumstances in which the person knew that the other person did not consent to the distribution; or (ii) with reckless disregard as to whether the person consented to the distribution; and (3) under circumstances in which the other person had a reasonable expectation that the image would remain private. • “Person eligible for relief” (Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 4-501(n)) includes: (1) the current or former spouse of the respondent; (2) a cohabitant of the respondent; (3) a person related to the respondent by blood, marriage, or adoption; (4) a parent, stepparent, child, or stepchild of the respondent or the person eligible for relief who resides or resided with the respondent or person eligible for relief for at least 90 days within one year before the filing of the petition; (5) a vulnerable adult; (6) an individual who has a child in common with the respondent; (7) an individual who has had a sexual relationship with the respondent within one year before the filing of the petition; and (8) an individual who alleges that the respondent committed, within six months before the filing of the petition, any of the following acts against the individual: (i) rape or a sexual offense under §§ 3-303, 3-304, 3-307, or 3-308 of the Criminal Law Article; or (ii) attempted rape or sexual offense in any degree. • “Cohabitant” (Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 4-501(d)) means a person who has had a sexual relationship with the respondent and resided with the respondent in the home for a period of at least 90 days within one year before the filing of the petition. • “Vulnerable adult” (Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law §§ 4-501(u), 14-101(q)) means an adult who lacks the physical or mental capacity to provide for the adult’s daily needs.

Crime Type (Code of Maryland)	Definitions
Stalking (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-802)	<p>"Stalking" means a malicious course of conduct that includes approaching or pursuing another where: (i) The person intends to place or knows or reasonably should have known the conduct would place another in reasonable fear: (1)(A) of serious bodily injury; (B) of an assault in any degree; (C) of rape or sexual offense as defined by §§ 3-303 through 3-308 of this title or attempted rape or sexual offense in any degree; (D) of false imprisonment; or (E) of death; or (2) that a third person likely will suffer any of the acts listed in item 1 of this item; or (ii) the persons intends to cause or knows or reasonably should have known that the conduct would cause serious emotional distress to another.</p> <p>Stalking includes all previously described conduct that occurs: (i) in person; (ii) by electronic communication, as defined in § 3-805 of this subtitle; or (iii) through the use of a device that can pinpoint or track the location of another without the person's knowledge of consent.</p>
Sexual Assault (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Proc. § 11-922)	<p>In this part, "sexual assault" means rape or a sexual offense in any degree that is specified in §§ 3-303 through 3-310, § 3-314, or § 3-315 of the Criminal Law Article (as defined below).</p>
Rape, Fondling, Incest, Statutory Rape	<p>For purposes of the Clery Act, the term "sexual assault" includes the offenses of rape, fondling, incest, and statutory rape. These definitions under Maryland law are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rape in the first degree (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-303): A person may not: (1)(i) engage in vaginal intercourse with another by force, or the threat of force, without the consent of the other; or (ii) engage in a sexual act with another by force, or the threat of force, without the consent of the other; and (2)(i) employ or display a dangerous weapon, or a physical object that the victim reasonably believes is a dangerous weapon; (ii) suffocate, strangle, disfigure, or inflict serious physical injury on the victim or another in the course of committing the crime; (iii) threaten, or place the victim in fear, that the victim, or an individual known to the victim, imminently will be subject to death, suffocation, strangulation, disfigurement, serious physical injury, or kidnapping; (iv) commit the crime while aided and abetted by another; or (v) commit the crime in connection with a burglary in the first, second, or third degree. • Rape in the second degree (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-304): A person may not engage in vaginal intercourse or a sexual act with another: (1) without the consent of the other; (2) if the victim is a substantially cognitively impaired individual, a mentally incapacitated individual, or a physically helpless individual, and the person performing the act knows or reasonably should know that the victim is a substantially cognitively impaired individual, a mentally incapacitated individual, or a physically helpless individual; or (3) if the victim is under the age of 14 years, and the person performing the act is at least four years older than the victim.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fondling: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Maryland law does not define the term fondling. • Incest (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-323): A person may not knowingly engage in vaginal intercourse with anyone whom the person may not marry under § 2-202 of the Family Law Article. Md. Code Ann. Fam. Law § 2-202 provides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Any marriage performed in this State that is prohibited by this section is void. ○ Marriages within three degrees of direct lineal consanguinity or within first degree of collateral consanguinity prohibited. An individual may not marry the individual's: (i) grandparent; (ii) parent; (iii) child; (iv) sibling; or (v) grandchild. ○ Certain marriages within other degrees of affinity or consanguinity prohibited. An individual may not marry the individual's: (i) grandparent's spouse; (ii) spouse's grandparent; (iii) parent's sibling; (iv) stepparent; (v) spouse's parent; (vi) spouse's child; (vii) child's spouse; (viii) grandchild's spouse; (ix) spouse's grandchild; or (x) sibling's child. • Statutory Rape: The institution has determined, based on good-faith research, that Maryland law does not define the term statutory rape. Such offenses are generally prosecuted under the state's sexual offense statutes. <i>See</i> Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-307 <i>et. seq.</i>
Other "sexual assault" crimes	<p>Other crimes under Maryland law that may be classified as a "sexual assault" include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sexual offense in the third degree (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-307(a)): A person may not: (1)(i) engage in sexual contact with another without the consent of the other; and (ii)(1) employ or display a dangerous weapon, or a physical object that the victim reasonably believes is a dangerous weapon; (2) suffocate, strangle, disfigure, or inflict serious physical injury on the victim or another in the course of committing the crime; (3) threaten, or place the victim in fear, that the victim, or an individual known to the victim, imminently will be subject to death, suffocation, strangulation, disfigurement, serious physical injury, or kidnapping; or (4) commit the crime while aided and abetted by another; (2) engage in sexual contact with another if the victim is a substantially cognitively impaired individual, a mentally incapacitated individual, or a physically helpless individual, and the person performing the act knows or reasonably should know the victim is a substantially cognitively impaired individual, a mentally incapacitated individual, or a physically helpless individual; (3) engage in sexual contact with another if the victim is under the age of 14 years, and the person performing the sexual contact is at least four years older than the victim; (4) engage in a sexual act with another if the victim is 14 or 15 years old, and the person performing

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	<p>the sexual act is at least 21 years old; or (5) engage in vaginal intercourse with another if the victim is 14 or 15 years old, and the person performing the act is at least 21 years old.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sexual offense in the fourth degree - General (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-308(b)): A person may not engage in: (1) sexual contact with another without the consent of the other; (2) except as provided in § 3-307(a)(4) of this subtitle, a sexual act with another if the victim is 14 or 15 years old, and the person performing the sexual act is at least four years older than the victim; or (3) except as provided in § 3-307(a)(5) of this subtitle, vaginal intercourse with another if the victim is 14 or 15 years old, and the person performing the act is at least four years older than the victim. • Sexual Offense in the Fourth Degree – Persons in a position of authority (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-308(b)): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (1) Except as provided in § 3-307(a)(4) or (b)(2) of this section, a person in a position of authority may not engage in a sexual act or sexual contact with a minor who, at the time of the sexual act or sexual contact: (i) is a student enrolled at a school where the person in a position of authority works; or (ii)(1) is participating in a program for which the person in a position of authority works; and (2) is at least six years younger than the person in a position of authority. ○ (2) Except as provided in § 3-307(a)(5) or (b)(3) of this section, a person in a position of authority may not engage in vaginal intercourse with a minor who, at the time of the vaginal intercourse: (i) is a student enrolled at a school where the person in a position of authority works; or (ii)(1) is participating in a program for which the person in a position of authority works; and (2) is at least six years younger than the person in a position of authority. • Attempted Rape in the First Degree (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-309): A person who attempts to commit rape in the first degree. • Attempted Rape in the Second Degree (Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 3-310): A person who attempts to commit rape in the second degree.
<p>Consent (as it relates to sexual activity)</p>	<p>Maryland’s criminal laws define consent as “the clear and voluntary agreement by an individual to engage in vaginal intercourse, a sexual act, or sexual contact.” Md. Ann. Crim. Law § 3–301.1(a).</p> <p>Additionally, the law provides: “(1) the existence of consent, lack of consent, or withdrawal of consent shall be determined based on a totality of the circumstances, including the words and conduct of the victim and the defendant; (2) consent may be withdrawn before or during vaginal intercourse, a sexual act, or sexual contact; (3) the lack of consent may be communicated through words or conduct; (4) a current or previous dating, social, or sexual relationship by itself does not constitute consent; (5) submission as a result of fear, threat, or coercion does not constitute consent</p>

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	if the individual alleged to have performed the act in violation of this subtitle knows or reasonably should know that the victim would submit as a result of fear, threat, or coercion; and (6) the manner of dress of an individual does not constitute consent.” Md. Ann. Crim. Law § 3–301.1(b).

College Definition of Consent

The College uses the following definition of consent in its Title IX: Sex Discrimination Procedure for the purpose of determining whether sexual violence (including sexual assault) has occurred:

Consent means informed, knowing, and voluntary. It is active, not passive. Silence, in and of itself, cannot be interpreted as consent. For that reason, relying solely on non-verbal communication can lead to misunderstanding. Consent can be given by words or actions, as long as those words or actions create mutually understandable permission regarding the conditions of sexual activity. Consent to one form of sexual activity cannot imply consent to other forms of sexual activity. Previous relationships or consent cannot imply consent to future sexual acts. Consent must be present throughout sexual activity and may be withdrawn at any time. If there is confusion as to whether there is consent or whether prior consent has been withdrawn, it is essential that the participants stop the activity until the confusion is resolved. Consent cannot be given by someone known to be—or should be known to be—mentally or physically incapacitated. In order to give consent, one must be of legal age. Consent is the responsibility of the person who wants to engage in the activity.

Risk Reduction

If you find yourself in an uncomfortable sexual situation, these suggestions may help you reduce your risk.

- Make your limits known before going too far.
- You can withdraw consent to sexual activity at any time. Do not be afraid to tell a sexual aggressor “NO” clearly and loudly.
- Try to remove yourself from the physical presence of a sexual aggressor. Be as direct as possible about wanting to leave the environment.
- Grab someone nearby and ask them for help.
- Be responsible about your alcohol and/or drug use. Alcohol and drugs can lower your sexual inhibitions and may make you vulnerable to someone who views an intoxicated/high person as a sexual opportunity.
- Attend large parties with friends you trust. Watch out for your friends and ask them to watch out for you.
- Be aware of someone trying to slip you an incapacitating “rape drug” like Rohypnol or GHB.

If you find yourself in the position of being the initiator of sexual behavior, these suggestions may help you to reduce your risk of being accused of sexual assault or another sexual crime.

- Remember that you owe sexual respect to the other person.
- Don't make assumptions about the other person's consent or about how far they are willing to go.
- Remember that consent to one form of sexual activity does not necessarily imply consent to another form of sexual behavior.
- If your partner expresses a withdrawal of consent (meaning your partner says "No" at any time after saying "Yes"), stop immediately.
- Clearly communicate your sexual intentions so that the other person has a chance to clearly tell you their intentions.
- Consider "mixed messages" a clear sign that the other person is uncomfortable with the situation and may not be ready to progress sexually.
- Don't take advantage of someone who is drunk or on drugs, even if they knowingly and intentionally put themselves in that state. Further, don't be afraid to step in if you see someone else trying to take advantage of a nearly incapacitated person.
- Be aware of the signs of incapacitation, such as slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, vomiting, unusual behavior, passing out, staggering, etc.

It is also important to be aware of the warning signs of an abusive person. Some examples include past abuse; threats of violence or abuse; breaking objects; using force during an argument; jealousy; controlling behavior; quick involvement; unrealistic expectations; isolation; blaming others for problems; hypersensitivity; cruelty to animals or children; "playful" use of force during sex; Jekyll-and-Hyde personality.

Bystander Intervention

In addition to reporting incidents to appropriate authorities, below are some ways in which individuals can take safe and positive steps to prevent harm and intervene when there is a risk of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking against another person.

- Look out for those around you.
- Realize that it is important to intervene to help others.
- Treat everyone respectfully. Do not be hostile or an antagonist.
- Be confident when intervening.
- Recruit help from others if necessary.
- Be honest and direct.
- Keep yourself safe.
- If things get out of hand, don't hesitate to contact the police.

Other Information Covered by the PPAP

The PPAP also provides information on possible sanctions and protective measures that may be imposed following a determination that an offense of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has occurred, an explanation of the disciplinary procedures that will be followed when one of these offenses is alleged, the rights of the parties in such a proceeding, available resources, and other pertinent information. Much of this information is set forth in the upcoming sections of this security report.

Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign:

The College also conducts an Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Campaign (OPAC) aimed at all students and employees. This campaign covers the same material as provided in the PPAP, but is intended to increase the understanding of students and employees on these topics and to improve their skills for addressing the offenses of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking.

PPAP and OPAC Programming Methods:

The PPAP and OPAC are carried out in a variety of ways, using a range of strategies and, as appropriate, targeting specific audiences throughout the College. Methods include, but are not limited to: presentations, online training modules, and written materials. In addition, various departments around the College provide the education, training, prevention and awareness programs including College Police; the Office of Student Engagement & Leadership; Equity, Culture, and Talent; and the Wellness and Mental Health Center (which includes the Violence Prevention Center).

Violence Prevention Center

The Violence Prevention Center (VPC) was established as a result of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) to enhance safety and justice for victims of sexual assault, stalking, and intimate partner violence (including dating violence and domestic violence) at the College's locations. The VPC uses a multidisciplinary approach to address such crimes. The primary objective is to institutionalize College- and community-based response protocols that will increase victim safety and services, hold perpetrators accountable, and eliminate the fundamental causes of violence against women.

The VPC takes a holistic approach to its programming. Frequent events cover awareness and prevention of sexual crimes, dating violence programs, and programs involving individuals as well as panels. The VPC administers the following initiatives and services that are related to sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking prevention.

- **Prevention and Education Programs**
 - All incoming students are encouraged to attend New Student Convocation and the Student Resource Fair prior to the start of either the fall or spring semester. New students receive education on the prevention of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking through a presentation by the Clery Officer and the Title IX Coordinator.
 - All new employees are required to complete an online training module on these topics upon hire. Students and employees are also provided information on how to seek assistance and how to report incidents.
 - The VPC and College Police teach that a bystander is someone who recognizes a potentially harmful situation or interaction involving other people, and bystander intervention is when the bystander chooses to respond in a way that could positively influence the outcome. The VPC and College Police educate the College community to pay attention to what is happening around them and to make the effort to determine whether someone needs help. Bystanders are specifically directed never to put themselves in harm's way, but to use safe and

- positive options to intervene, including asking the potential victim if they need assistance, calling College Police (301-546-0111), or calling 9-1-1 for assistance.
- The College community is offered risk reduction techniques, including safety planning, keeping an eye on friends, recognizing warning signals, and ways to avoid potential attacks.
 - The Owl SAFE app is a smartphone safety app available to the entire College community that allows individuals to request a virtual "friend walk" to share a walking route with a friend; offers a connection to College Police; provides campus maps and much more.
 - **Ongoing Prevention and Awareness Activities**
 - This campaign covers the same material as provided in the PPAP, but it is intended to increase the understanding of students and employees beyond initial enrollment or hire on these topics and to improve their skills for addressing the offenses of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Ongoing community awareness programs and training focus on sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking.
 - As part of its ongoing campaign, the College also offers educational sessions in coordination with nationally recognized observances including:
 - Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (February)
 - Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April)
 - Purple Light Nights in connection with Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October).

Procedures to Follow if You are a Victim of Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, or Stalking:

If you are a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, go to a safe place and call 9-1-1 or the College Police Department at 301-546-0111. You may also contact the College's Title IX Coordinator at 301-546-7011. You may contact the Wellness and Mental Health Center for resources and support at 301-546-0845.

Information for Victims

Victims are not required to report an incident to the College or to law enforcement authorities, but College authorities will assist victims who wish to do so. A victim wishing to officially report such an incident to College authorities may do so by contacting College Police (301-546-0666), the Title IX Coordinator (301-546-7011), or the Wellness and Mental Health Center (301-546-0845). Anyone with knowledge about sexual assault, including an employee not listed above who is not a confidential resource, is encouraged to report it immediately.

Information is shared internally between administrators solely as necessary to maintain campus safety. Privacy of records specific to the investigation is maintained in accordance with Maryland law and the federal FERPA statute. Any public release of information to comply with the timely warning provisions of the Clery Act will not include the names of victims or information that could easily lead to a victim's identification.

Victims wishing to confidentially report an offense for inclusion in the Annual Security Report's crime statistics should contact College Police.

Victims will be notified in writing of the procedures to follow, including:

1. To whom and how the alleged offense should be reported (contact the Title IX Coordinator or refer to the other resources listed in this report).
2. The importance of preserving evidence that may be necessary to prove the offense in a criminal proceeding or disciplinary action or to obtain a protective order.
3. The victim's options regarding notification to law enforcement, which are: (a) the option to notify either on-campus or local police; (b) the option to be assisted by campus security authorities in notifying law enforcement if the victim so chooses (the institution is obligated to comply with such a request if it is made); and (c) the option to decline to notify such authorities.
4. Where applicable, the rights of victims and the institution's responsibilities regarding orders of protection, no-contact orders, restraining orders, or similar lawful orders issued by a criminal, civil, or tribal court.

Preservation of Evidence & Forensic Examinations

Victims of physical assault are advised to not remove clothing items worn during or following an assault, as they frequently contain valuable fiber, hair, and fluid evidence. Don't bathe or wash, or otherwise clean the environment in which the assault occurred. Individuals who experience sexual assault can access a Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) within 72 hours of an assault from the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center at UM Capital Region Medical Center, 901 Harry S. Truman Drive North, Largo, Maryland (240-677-2337). College personnel will provide full and prompt assistance in obtaining appropriate medical attention, including transportation.

Completing a forensic examination does not require you to file a police report, but having a forensic examination will help preserve evidence in case you decide at a later date to file a police report.

Victims are also advised to retain evidence in electronic formats (e.g., text messages, emails, photos, social media posts, screenshots, etc.). Such evidence is valuable in all situations, and it may be the only type of evidence available in instances of stalking.

Security/Law Enforcement & How to Make a Police Report

Largo Campus

PGCC's College Police provide 24-hour security, law enforcement, and safety services to the College community. Officers are linked to a dispatcher and to each other by two-way radios. Officers conduct foot and vehicle patrols of the Largo grounds, including academic and administrative buildings, and assist at extension centers as needed. Officers are commissioned as Special Police Officers under the provisions of Public Safety Article, Title 3, of the Annotated Code of Maryland and are certified State of Maryland police officers through the Maryland Police and Correctional Training Commission.

Police jurisdiction over the Largo campus is shared with local law enforcement – Prince George's County Police Department, Division II (301-390-2100). In addition, the College has Public Security Aides (PSAs) on staff at the Largo campus. PSAs and contracted

security personnel are unarmed but carry two-way radios on the Largo campus to provide enhanced foot patrols.

Joint Base Andrews (JBA) Extension Center

The College Police does not have jurisdiction to respond to incidents at Joint Base Andrews. After receiving clearance, College Police may be permitted on the premises. For this reason, the primary responder to Joint Base Andrews is its Security Force, which can be reached at (301) 981-2002.

In addition, Prince George's County Police Division IV (301-749-4901) has local law enforcement jurisdiction at Joint Base Andrews.

Laurel College Center (LCC) Campus

During daytime hours, LCC has an unarmed, contracted security officer with a duty cell phone for immediate contact. In addition, the College hires certified law enforcement officers on a part-time basis to provide security for PGCC's staff and students during evening and weekend hours.

Although PGCC's College Police have jurisdiction over LCC, because LCC is located in Laurel, Maryland, it also is served by the Laurel City Police Department, who would be the primary responder to 9-1-1 calls. In addition, jurisdiction over the LCC Campus is shared with Prince George's Police Department, Division VI ((301) 937-0910), who will respond as needed.

Skilled Trades Center (STC)

Currently, STC courses are held in the evening on weekdays and all day on Saturdays. The College hires certified law enforcement officers on a part-time basis to provide security for PGCC's staff and students during evening and weekend hours.

Although PGCC's College Police have jurisdiction over STC, because STC is located in Camp Springs, Maryland, Prince George's County Police Department Division V (301-856-3130) shares jurisdiction and would be the primary responder to 9-1-1 calls.

University Town Center (UTC) Campus

Unarmed PSAs are on staff at UTC during normal business hours to provide enhanced monitoring and foot patrols, and carry duty cell phones for immediate contact. In addition, the College hires certified law enforcement officers on a part-time basis to provide security for PGCC's staff and students during evening and weekend hours.

Although PGCC's College Police have jurisdiction over UTC, because UTC is located in Hyattsville, Maryland, it also is served by the Hyattsville City Police Department ((301) 985-5060), who would be the primary responder to 9-1-1 calls. Further, police jurisdiction is also shared with Prince George's County Police Department, Division I ((301) 699-2630).

To make a police report, a victim should contact the College Police or local police agency listed above either by phone or in person. The victim should provide as much information as possible, including name, address, and when and what occurred, to the best of the victim's ability.

Information about Legal Protection Orders

Any victim who obtains a peace order, protective order, temporary protective order, or similar order issued by a civil or criminal court should notify College Police and provide a copy of the order. College Police will take steps to enforce the order at all PGCC locations.

In Maryland, there are two types of restraining orders: a Protective Order and a Peace Order. The Maryland Courts website notes that a Protective Order is “a court order that says one person must refrain from doing certain acts against another person. It’s Maryland’s version of a restraining order or stay-away order.” See (<https://mdcourts.gov/legalhelp/domesticviolence>). See also Title 4, Subtitle 5 of the Family Law Article of the Maryland Code.

Protective Order: Only individuals in family-like or sexual relationships, or persons who have been sexually assaulted, qualify for Protective Orders. Examples of qualifying relationships include the following:

- Current or former spouses
- Persons who lived together in a sexual relationship for at least 90 days during the past year
- Persons who have had a sexual relationship with each other in the past year
- Persons who are parents of the same child
- Persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption (including stepparents and stepchildren who have lived together at least 90 days in the past year)
- Someone who is a vulnerable adult
- Someone who was raped or sexually assaulted by the other person (including attempts) in the past six months.

Before the court can grant a final Protective Order, the person requesting the order must prove that the other person committed an act of abuse, including:

- assault;
- an act that places a person in fear of imminent serious bodily harm;
- an act that causes serious bodily harm;
- rape or sexual offense, or attempted rape or sexual offense;
- stalking;
- false imprisonment; or
- revenge porn.

Peace Order: Any relationship that does not qualify for a Protective Order is eligible for a Peace Order. Those relationships include neighbors, strangers, co-workers, or someone with whom the victim has a non-sexual dating relationship.

Peace Orders may be requested when someone has been subjected to abuse, harassment, stalking, trespass, or malicious destruction of property. Other grounds include misuse of telephone or electronic communication, revenge porn, and visual surveillance. Petitions for Peace Orders must

be filed within 30 days of the act described in the petition. See <https://mdcourts.gov/legalhelp/peaceorders>; see also Md. Code, Cts. & Jud. Proc. § 3-1503.

PGCC does not issue legal orders of protection. However, as a matter of institutional policy, the institution may impose a no-contact order between individuals in appropriate circumstances. In addition, individuals may be barred from PGCC's campuses, which may result in a no-trespass warning if information leads to a reasonable conclusion that an individual is likely to cause harm to any member of the campus community. A person who is barred but comes to campus or is in violation of a no-trespass warning may be arrested and criminally charged.

Available Victim Services:

Victims will be provided written notification about existing counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance, student financial aid, and other services available to them, both within the College and in the surrounding community. Those services include:

College Resources

- PGCC Wellness Center: Bladen Hall 132, 301-546-0845
 - Violence Prevention Center: Administers programs and services that are related to sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking prevention, e.g., training and prevention education on the topics above, including bystander intervention.
 - PGCC Cares: Designated to support students as they realize their academic goals including course completion, graduation, transfer and entry into the workforce, e.g., on-site food pantry/supply and clothes closet, emergency transportation fund, referrals to internal and external community resources.
 - Student Health and Wellness: Includes nursing services administered by a Registered Nurse, e.g., treatment for minor illness and injuries, emergency first aid kit, blood pressure monitoring, health counseling, TB testing for designated students, HIV testing, sexual assault triage, referrals to health care providers, specialists, and community agencies.
 - Mental Health Services: Licensed therapists offer one-on-one short-term counseling sessions.
- Student Financial Aid: Sometimes, a victim of a crime may feel the need to take a leave of absence from school. If a student is considering a leave of absence based on the circumstances of a complaint, the student should understand there may be financial aid implications in taking such leave. This should be discussed with financial aid personnel, and the Title IX Coordinator can assist in facilitating this conversation, if desired. The College's financial aid website can be found at <https://www.pgcc.edu/paying-for-college/financial-aid/>. Visit the PGCC website and search "Financial Aid."

State/Local Resources

- National Alliance on Mental Illness –Maryland (NAMI Maryland):(<http://www.namimd.org/>) The NAMI state organization in Maryland. NAMI Maryland provides educational resources and events, statewide outreach, and advocacy and affiliate organizational support. NAMI Maryland provides the free trainings that allow NAMI affiliates to deliver NAMI programs. *See also* NAMI Prince George's County: <https://namipgc.org>.

- Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault (MCASA): (<https://mcasa.org/>) Monitors public policy related to sexual assault and performs legislative advocacy; Provides educational activities through providing trainings for professionals; Performs community outreach through coordination of sexual assault forensic exams; and includes the Sexual Assault Legal Institute (SALI).
- MCASA's Sexual Assault Legal Institute (SALI): (<https://mcasa.org/survivors/sali>) Provides direct legal services for victims and survivors of sexual assault.
- Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center of UM Capital Region Medical Center: (<https://www.umms.org/capital/health-services/domestic-violence-sexual-assault>) Provides crisis counseling and intervention, short-term trauma counseling, sexual assault forensic exams, victim advocacy, safety planning, danger assessments, and referrals to other agencies. Physical Address: 901 Harry S. Truman Drive North, Largo, Maryland; Hotline: 240-677-2337 available 24/7.
- Maryland's Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB): (<http://goccp.maryland.gov/victims/cicb/>) The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board is a remedial body designed to provide aid and assistance to victims of crime in Maryland.
- Maryland Legal Aid: (<https://www.mdlab.org/>) Provides free, direct legal services in Maryland including legal representation in child custody, housing, and public benefit matters, and criminal record expungements.

National Resources

- Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN): (<https://www.rainn.org/>) RAINN is an anti-sexual violence organization that operates the National Sexual Assault Hotline and the Department of Defense Safe Helpline for survivors and their families who have experienced sexual violence. RAINN offers services to victims, public education, public policy reform, consulting, and training.
- US Dept. of Justice Office on Violence Against Women: (<https://www.justice.gov/ovw>) The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) is a component of the U.S. Department of Justice. OVW implements the provisions of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and provides national leadership on the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence: (<http://www.ncadv.org/>) The NCADV Public Policy Office collaborates with other national organizations to promote legislation and policies that serve and protect victims and survivors of domestic violence, and works to change the narrative surrounding domestic violence.
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center: (<http://www.nsvrc.org/>) Provides information and tools to prevent and respond to sexual violence. NSVRC translates research and trends into best practices that help individuals, communities and service providers achieve real and lasting change.
- Immigration Advocates Network: (<https://www.immigrationadvocates.org/>) A free national online network that supports legal advocates working on behalf of immigrants' rights.
- Male Survivor Organization: (<https://malesurvivor.org/>) Provides personalized support for males at every stage of their healing process. They facilitate dialogue among male survivors, between therapists, and on their online support form and online chat, which is available 24/7.

Hotlines

Key:

* Anonymous/Confidential

∞ Available 24/7

€ Phone available

© Chat available

¥ Text available

§ Spanish-speaking support)

- Department of Defense Safe Helpline * ∞ € ©: (<https://www.safehelpline.org/> 877-995-5247) A service for members of the U.S. military and their families who have been affected by sexual violence.
- National Domestic Violence Hotline * ∞ € © ¥ §: (<https://www.thehotline.org/> 1-800-799-7233/ TTY #: 1-800-787-3224 or text START to 88788) Services include crisis intervention, domestic violence education, safety planning, directly connecting callers to service providers such as local shelters, and referrals to agencies that provide legal, economic self-sufficiency, sexual assault, elder abuse, children's and other related services.
- National Human Trafficking Hotline ∞ € © ¥ §: (<https://humantraffickinghotline.org/en/888-373-7888>) Connects victims and survivors of sex and labor trafficking with services and supports to get help and stay safe.
- National Sexual Assault Hotline: (<https://hotline.rainn.org/online> /1-800-656-4673) Routes to your local RAINN sexual assault affiliate. Provides confidential short-term support from a trained staff member, referrals for long term supports in your area, information about laws in your community, and support finding a local health facility that is trained to care for survivors of sexual assault.
- National Street Harassment Hotline € © §: (<https://stopstreetharassment.org/our-work/nationalshhotline/> 855-897-5910) Offers direct service through crisis support and community education. Available from 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. EST.
- National Suicide and Crisis Lifeline ∞ € © §: (9-8-8; <https://988lifeline.org/>.) Provides support to individuals, friends, and family of individuals in need of emotional support.

Accommodations and Protective Measures:

The College will provide written notification to victims about options for, and available assistance in, changing academic, living, transportation, and working situations or protective measures. If victims request these accommodations or protective measures and they are reasonably available, the College is obligated to provide them, regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to campus security or local law enforcement.

Requests for accommodations or protective measures should be made to the Title IX Coordinator at 301-546-7011, and the Title IX Coordinator is responsible for deciding what, if any, accommodations or protective measures will be implemented.

When determining the reasonableness of such a request, the College may consider, among other factors, the following:

- The specific need expressed by the complainant.
- The age of the students involved.
- The severity or pervasiveness of the allegations
- Any continuing effects on the complainant
- Whether the complainant and alleged perpetrator share the same class or job location.
- Whether other judicial measures have been taken to protect the complainant (e.g., civil protection orders).

The College will maintain as confidential any accommodations or protective measures provided a victim to the extent that maintaining confidentiality would not impair the College's ability to provide them. However, there may be times when certain information must be disclosed to a third party in order to implement the accommodation or protective measure. Such decisions will be made by the College in light of the surrounding circumstances, and disclosures of this nature will be limited so that only the information necessary to implement the accommodation or protective measure is provided. In the event it is necessary to disclose information about a victim in order to provide an accommodation or protective order, the College will inform the victim of that necessity prior to the disclosure, including which information will be shared, with whom it will be shared and why.

Procedures for Disciplinary Action:

Allegations of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking will be processed through the College's Title IX: Sex Discrimination Procedure. The procedure is utilized whenever a complaint is made that falls within its scope, regardless of the status of the complainant and the respondent – meaning the process established in the Title IX: Sex Discrimination Procedure applies to incidents involving students or employees. If an allegation of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking is determined to be outside of the parameters of Title IX enforcement authority, the allegation may be handled under the College's Student Code of Conduct Procedure (see Appendix A) or may be referred to the College's Equity, Culture, and Talent office to apply its Employment Non-Discrimination process, as noted in Appendix B.

Title IX complaint resolution procedures are invoked after a report is provided to the College's Title IX Coordinator or one of the College's Deputy Title IX Coordinators. These individuals are listed below.

Title IX Coordinator

Shaundricka Ranel

Senior Director, Policy, Compliance and Title IX

Largo Campus | Kent Hall Office 133

Email: TitleIX@pgcc.edu | 301-546-7011

Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Student Affairs

Cathryn L. Camp
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Largo Campus | Kent Hall Office 121
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Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Equity, Culture and Talent

Marlene Poole
Manager, Employee and Labor Relations
Largo Campus | Annex B
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An electronic form to file a report is available at <https://www.pgcc.edu/about-pgcc/institutional-information--policies/title-ix/>.

Once a formal complaint is made alleging Title IX prohibited conduct, the Title IX Coordinator will provide notice to the known parties of the investigation, including a description of the process to be utilized, the identities of the parties, the conduct at issue, the date and location of the alleged incident, the name of the assigned investigator(s), and additional statements describing the College's approach towards investigating and resolving Title IX complaints.

During the investigation, the complainant and respondent each will have an equal opportunity to describe the situation and present witnesses, including both fact and expert witnesses, and other supporting evidence. The investigator(s) will review the statements and evidence presented and may, depending on the circumstances, interview others with relevant knowledge, review documentary materials, and take any other appropriate action to gather and consider information relevant to the complaint. Prior to the conclusion of the investigation, both parties will be provided an opportunity to review the evidence gathered during the investigation that is directly related to the allegations raised in the formal complaint. The College strives to complete an investigation within thirty (30) to forty-five (45) business days.

Upon completion of the investigation, both parties will be given a copy of the investigation report and a live hearing will be conducted to make a determination as to whether any allegations in the complaint were found to be substantiated by a preponderance of the evidence – which is the College's standard of evidence for all Title IX proceedings. During the hearing, each party's advisor will be permitted to ask the other party and any witnesses all relevant questions and follow-up questions, including those bearing on credibility. The decision maker(s) will issue a written determination of responsibility, a statement of any disciplinary sanctions, and whether any remedies will be provided to the complainant, and a description of the procedures and permissible grounds for appeal. The parties will be notified of this determination in writing within five (5) days of it being made.

Both parties have an equal opportunity to appeal the determination by filing a written appeal with the Title IX Coordinator within five (5) business days of receipt of the Notice of Outcome regarding the investigation. The non-appealing party will be notified of the appeal and permitted to submit a written statement in response. The Title IX Coordinator will manage the appeals process and ensure that the Appeal Decision-Maker completes the process as soon as feasible.

Rights of the Parties in an Institutional Proceeding:

During the course of the process described in the previous section, or any other College process addressing allegations of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, both the accuser and the individual accused of the offense are entitled to:

1. A prompt, fair and impartial process from the initial investigation to the final result.
 - A prompt, fair and impartial process is one that is:
 - Completed within reasonably prompt timeframes designated by the institution's policy, including a process that allows for the extension of timeframes for good cause, with written notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for the delay.
 - Conducted in a manner that:
 - Is consistent with the institution's policies and transparent to the accuser and the accused.
 - Includes timely notice of meetings at which the accuser or accused, or both, may be present; and
 - Provides timely access to the accuser, the accused and appropriate officials to any information that will be used during the informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings.
 - Conducted by officials who do not have a conflict of interest or bias for or against the accuser or the accused.

2. Proceedings conducted by officials who, at a minimum, receive annual training on the issues related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking and on how to conduct an investigation and hearing process that protects the safety of victims and promotes accountability.
 - Such training addresses topics such as the definition of sexual harassment; the scope of the College's education programs and activities; how to conduct investigations, hearings, appeals, and informal resolutions (as applicable); relevant evidence and how it should be used during a proceeding; proper techniques for questioning witnesses; basic procedural rules for conducting a proceeding; and avoiding actual and perceived conflicts of interest. In calendar year 2024, the College's Title IX Coordinator attended the following trainings: (1) Vector Solutions' Title IX and Gender Equity in Athletics; (2) Vector Solutions' Title IX and Sexual Harassment; (3) Vector Solution's Title IX and Sexual Harassment Prevention; (4) Skillsoft's Title IX Discrimination and Violence in Higher Education; (5) Vector Solutions' Title IX Regulations and Roles Overview; (6) Vector Solutions' Title IX Roles of Employees; (7) Institutional Compliance Solutions' Parallel Responses to Title IX in Criminal Matters; (8) Institutional Compliance Solutions' Title IX Introduction and Overview - 2024 Regulations; (9) ATIXA's Managing Intake, Jurisdiction, and Dismissals Workshop; (10) ATIXA's Applying Policy in Investigations & Determination Workshop; (11) ATIXA's Managing Appeals Seminar; (12) ATIXA's Writing Outcomes Rationales Workshop; (13) ATIXA's Structuring, Training, & Supervising the Title IX Team Seminar; and (14) The Clery Center's Stop Campus Hazing Act - What You Need to Know webinar.

3. The same opportunities to have others present during any institutional disciplinary proceeding, including the opportunity to be accompanied to any related meeting or proceeding by the advisor of their choice. The institution may not limit the choice of advisor, but may establish limits regarding the extent to which that advisor may participate in the proceeding, as long as those limits apply equally to both parties.
4. Have the outcome determined using the preponderance of the evidence standard.
5. Simultaneous, written notification of the results of the proceeding, any procedures for either party to appeal the result, any change to the result, and when the result becomes final. For this purpose, “result” means “any initial, interim and final decision by an official or entity authorized to resolve disciplinary matters” and must include the rationale for reaching the result and any sanctions imposed.

Possible Sanctions or Protective Measures that the College May Impose for Dating Violence, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking Offenses:

Following a final determination in the institution’s disciplinary proceeding that dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking has been committed, the institution may impose a sanction depending on the mitigating and aggravating circumstances involved.

The possible sanctions for students include warning; required counseling; exclusion from designated areas of campus; denial of participation in certain campus activities such as extracurriculars, study abroad, or holding leadership roles in student organizations; probation; deferred suspension; suspension; expulsion/termination; denial of participation in Commencement activities; and restitution.

The possible sanctions for employees include verbal or written warning; a performance improvement plan; enhanced supervision, observation, or review; required counseling; required training or education; probation; denial of pay increase; loss of oversight or supervisory responsibility; demotion; transfer; shift or schedule adjustments; reassignment; restitution; delay of tenure track process; restriction of stipends, research, and/or professional development resources; suspension/administrative leave without pay; and termination.

If a suspension is imposed on a student, it may be for part of a semester, a full semester, or an entire academic year. An employee may be suspended for any length of time determined appropriate. Following a suspension, the individual will be required to meet with the Deputy Title IX Coordinator/Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs (student) or Vice President for Equity, Culture, and Talent (employee) to discuss re-entry and expectations going forward.

Following the receipt of a report of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, the Title IX Coordinator will determine what types of reasonable accommodations and protective measures, if any, are appropriate based on the particular circumstances. Protective measures are available to both the complainant and the respondent, regardless of whether a formal Title IX complaint is filed. When deemed in the best interests to protect the parties and

the College community, the following protective measures may be implemented with proper notice to both parties: providing information on available medical services; offering access to counseling services and assistance in setting up the initial counseling appointment; imposition of a "no-contact letter;" limiting an individual's access to certain College facilities or activities pending resolution of the matter; altering work arrangements for employees or student-employees; permitting voluntary leave of absence or referral to the Employee Assistance Program; imposing emergency suspension or College-imposed leave pursuant to the appropriate College policy and/or procedure; providing an escort to ensure safe movement between classes or activities; offering academic support such as tutoring, extensions of deadlines, providing alternative course completion options, or transfer in class section; and any other remedy that can be tailored to protect the parties and achieve the goals of the response process.

Victims to Receive Written Notification of Rights

When a student or employee reports to the College that he or she has been a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whether the offense occurred on or off campus, the College will provide the student or employee a written explanation of his or her rights and options as described in the paragraphs above.

Alternative Processes

Student Conduct Process

If alleged incidents of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking do not fall within the scope of the Title IX Complaint and Grievance Process, then the Student Conduct Process may be applied to resolve the matter. The rights, responsibilities, and requirements of the Student Conduct Process are listed in Appendix A of this Annual Security Report.

Employee Process

Employees should note that alleged incidents of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking that do not fall within the scope of the Title IX Complaint and Grievance Process may be referred to Equity, Culture, and Talent per the written complaint process noted in Appendix B.

Publicly Available Recordkeeping:

The College will complete any publicly available recordkeeping, including Clery Act reporting and disclosures, without the inclusion of personally identifiable information about victims of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking who make reports of such to the College to the extent permitted by law.

Victims to Receive Written Notification of Rights:

When a student or employee reports to the College that he or she has been a victim of dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking, whether the offense occurred on or off campus, the College will provide the student or employee a written explanation of his or her rights and options as described in the paragraphs above.

Sex Offender Registration Program:

The Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act of 2000 requires institutions of higher education to advise members of the campus community where they can obtain information provided by the state concerning registered sex offenders. It also requires sex offenders to notify the state of each institution of higher education in the state at which they are employed or enrolled or carrying on a vocation. The state is then required to notify the College of any such information it receives. Anyone interested in determining whether such persons are on this campus may do so by contacting the Acting Police Chief Barbara Smith at 301-546-0398. State registry of sex offender information may be accessed at the following link: <http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/sorSearch/>

Timely Warnings & Emergency Response

Timely Warnings

In the event of criminal activity occurring either on campus or off campus that in the judgment of the College Police Chief or designee constitutes a serious or continuing threat to members of the campus community, a campus-wide “timely warning” will be issued. Examples of such situations may include a sexual assault or a series of motor vehicle thefts in the area that merit a warning because they present a continuing threat to the campus community. Warnings will be communicated to students and employees via one or more of the methods discussed later in this section. Updates to the warnings will be provided as appropriate.

Anyone with information warranting a timely warning should immediately report the circumstances to:

- Britt S. Howard, Manager, Police Communications, 301-546-0666
- Barbara A. Smith, Acting College Police Chief and Clery Officer, 301-546-0398

The College has communicated with local law enforcement asking them to notify the College if it receives reports or information warranting a timely warning.

Emergency Response

The College has an emergency management plan designed to ensure there is a timely and effective response in the event of a significant emergency or dangerous situation occurring on-campus involving an immediate threat to the health or safety of members of the campus community. Such situations include, but are not limited to, tornadoes, bomb threats, chemical spills, disease outbreaks, fires, active shooters, etc. The College has communicated with local police requesting their cooperation in informing the College about situations reported to them that may warrant an emergency response.

Students, staff and visitors are encouraged to notify the College Police Chief at 301-546-0398 of any emergency or potentially dangerous situation.

The College Police will access available sources of information from campus administrative staff and local authorities to confirm the existence of the danger and will be responsible for initiating the institution’s response and for marshalling the appropriate local emergency response authorities for assistance. Depending on the nature of the emergency, other College departments may be involved in the confirmation process.

Once the emergency is confirmed and based on its nature, the Chief of College Police will consult with other appropriate College officials to determine the appropriate segment or segments of the College community to be notified.

The Chief, in collaboration with other appropriate personnel, will determine who should be notified, and will, without delay and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification and initiate the notification system, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgment of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

Depending on the segments of the campus the notification will target, the content of the notification may differ. When appropriate, the content of the notification will be determined in consultation with local authorities. Also, as appropriate, the notification will give guidance as to whether its recipients should shelter in place or evacuate their location.

The College Police Chief will direct the issuance of emergency notifications, which will be accomplished using one or more of methods discussed later in this section, depending on the nature of the threat and the segment of the campus community being threatened.

College Police connect and share information with local law enforcement regarding emergencies, and PGCC's public relations officials share information for dissemination with local news outlets, as appropriate.

Methods for Issuing Timely Warnings and Emergency Notifications

The method(s) listed below may be utilized when the College issues a timely warning or emergency notification to the campus community.

Method	Sign Up Instructions
Alertus Desktop Computer Alert System	automatic sign-up upon employment
Automated Telephone Calls with Safety Alerts	automatic sign-up upon employment
Owl Alert Emergency Messaging System	Register for Owl Alerts at https://www.pgcc.edu/go/owlalert/
E-Mail Notification System	automatic sign-up upon employment or credit-bearing registration
Social Media Notification	"Like" PGCC on Facebook; "Follow" PGCC on X

Testing & Documentation

The College tests its emergency response and evacuation procedures at least once a year. The tests may be announced or unannounced. Also, at various times the Emergency Management Team will meet to train, as well as to test and evaluate the College's emergency response plan. During every evacuation activity, the Chief of College Police and team complete an inspection sheet that documents the activity. The event is followed by a debriefing during which the event is discussed, gaps in best practices are identified, and recommendations for improvement are made.

With occupant safety in mind, the College conducts monthly fire drills. The fire drills are scheduled and initiated by Public Safety and Facilities Planning and Management personnel. The fire drills are unannounced to the community; thus, student, faculty, staff, and visitor cooperation is essential. Everyone is required to evacuate the building during the execution of a fire drill. Because fire drills are unannounced, there is drill notification to the College fire system monitoring partner. Fire drills are documented by Emergency Management, and direct observations are discussed immediately following the fire drill.

The Chief of College Police maintains a record of these tests and training exercises, including a description of the test, training, whether they were announced or unannounced, and the dates and times they were held. Additionally, active shooter/active assailant training (online) and workshops (scheduled) are executed throughout the College, including extension centers and the Academy of Health Sciences. The College provides students and employees with information connecting them with the Owl SAFE app, which includes the College's emergency response and evacuation procedures.

Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT)

The College's Behavioral Intervention Team (BIT) is a dedicated and cross-campus initiative established with the utmost commitment to safeguarding and enhancing the safety and well-being of the College community. The BIT follows a proactive and constructive risk and threat assessment approach to respond promptly and effectively to situations involving students, faculty, or staff exhibiting signs of distress or engaging in harmful behaviors.

As a crucial component of the College campus, the BIT is actively engaged in evaluating and addressing reports of concerning behavior. The paramount focus is on the well-being of the individuals involved and the larger College community. Through thoughtful and appropriate interventions, the BIT strives to create a secure and supportive environment for everyone, fostering a positive atmosphere for learning, working, and personal growth.

For any inquiries or concerns related to the BIT, the College community may email colbergl@pgcc.edu.

Police Officer Training and Education

The training and education of College Police members is critical to PGCC's Emergency Operation Response. Police officers receive updated annual in-person and web-based training that addresses best practices in law enforcement. Here is a list of some of the training PGCC officers received during 2024:

Legislative Updates

Implicit Bias Policing

Bloodborne Pathogens

CPR / Law Enforcement Emergency Medical Care (LEEMC)

Anti-Discrimination

Sensitivity to Cultural and Gender Diversity (LGBTQIA)

Interviews and Interrogations

Electronic Stalking

Patrol Readiness

DUI/SFST Refresher

Use of Force & De-Escalation

Stop Campus Hazing Policy and Programming

Hazing, which is defined as any intentional or reckless act committed by a person (whether individually or in concert with other persons) for the purpose of initiation into or maintaining affiliation or membership in a student organization or activity, and that causes or creates a risk above the reasonable risk associated with that student organization or activity of physical or psychological injury, is prohibited by the College.

If you are a victim of hazing, you are strongly encouraged to report the incident to the College's Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities. Reports may be made through the College's online incident reporting system, in-person, or via telephone at (301) 546-0887. You may also contact the College Police at (202) 546-0666. If the situation is an emergency, you should call 9-1-1. Those who witness or hear about an incident of hazing are also encouraged to report in the same manner.

When a report of hazing is received, the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities or the Office of Equity, Culture and Talent will conduct a thorough investigation in accordance with College policies and procedures. If the alleged perpetrator is a student, the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities will follow the student conduct investigation and discipline process, which includes intaking a report, conducting an investigation, sending an official notice of allegations, and conducting an informal hearing to see whether voluntary resolution can be reached. If the process moves to a formal hearing, all parties may participate, present witnesses, and ask questions of the other party through the hearing officer. The hearing officer will render a determination within ten (10) calendar days of the formal hearing. Students may appeal to the Committee on Student Conduct within ten (10) calendar days of receiving the determination.

If the alleged perpetrator is an employee, the Office of Equity, Culture, and Talent will follow the employee investigation and discipline process. If the Vice-President for Equity, Culture and Talent determines that hazing occurred, he or she may terminate the employee or impose other discipline, which is subject to appeal under the College's General Grievance Procedures and any applicable collective bargaining agreement.

If the hazing was in relation to a registered student organization or other College-sanctioned program, the College may revoke registration or impose other disciplinary sanctions against the organization or program.

Hazing Prevention and Awareness Program

The College includes hazing awareness and education materials at various events throughout the academic year, targeted at full-time and part-time students and/or employees. Hazing prevention and awareness is mandatory for all members, advisors, and coaches of registered student organizations and interscholastic and club/intramural athletic teams.

All prevention and awareness training is research-informed and based on best practices. Training will educate students and employees about the definition of hazing, situations where hazing may occur, proper reporting channels, and the investigation process, as well as other hazing prevention strategies, such as bystander intervention, ethical leadership, and building group cohesion without hazing. In addition, information about how to identify, stop, and prevent hazing is available at the College's Wellness and Mental Health Center, Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, Veterans Services Office, Office of Student Engagement and Leadership, and Office of Talent, Labor Relations and Engagement, as well as at all College extension centers.

Hazing State Laws

Summary (Code of Maryland)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. A person may not recklessly or intentionally do an act or create a situation that subjects a student to the risk of serious bodily injury for the purpose of an initiation into a student organization of a school, college, or university.b. A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or a fine not exceeding \$500 or both.c. The implied or express consent of a student to hazing is not a defense under this section. Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 3-607.

Crime Statistics

There are several categories of crime that must be reported. Crimes reported in this report need not have been proven. In addition, although sexual assault definitions include lack of consent, for purposes of this report, no determination regarding consent needs to be made. Further, neither Title IX nor Student Conduct investigations may yield a determination of “unfounded,” even if the respondent is found “not responsible for the alleged offense. Allegations may be determined “unfounded” only after a law enforcement investigation.

Campus vs. Non-Campus Property

Although the Department of Education’s Clery Handbook drafted in 2016 was rescinded in 2020, most of the provisions were not contradicted in the guidance document issued by the Department of Education in 2020. Therefore, many institutions still look to the 2016 Handbook for guidance in assessing requirements. Under the 2016 guidance, a location should be considered a separate campus if it meets all of the following criteria:

- Your institution owns or controls the site;
- It is not reasonably geographically contiguous with the main campus;
- It has an organized program of study; and
- There is at least one person on-site acting in an administrative capacity.

See The Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting, Dept. of Ed. (2016 Ed.). Under these criteria, Laurel College Center, Skilled Trades Center, Westphalia Training Center³, and University Town Center are considered separate campuses for purposes of Clery crime statistics. At this time, Joint Base Andrews is not considered a separate campus. Instead, JBA is properly classified as PGCC Non-Campus Property for purposes of Clery crime statistics. There is no organized program of study at JBA, and only a limited selection of courses is available. Also, although there are agreements governing the Joint Base Andrews facility, PGCC’s College Police, Title IX Coordinator, and Coordinator of the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities do not have authority to control crime reports or investigations of crime.

VAWA Offenses

The fundamental goals of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) are to prevent violent crime; respond to the needs of crime victims; learn more about crime; and change public attitudes through a collaborative effort by the criminal justice system, social service agencies, research organizations, schools, public health organizations, and private organizations. VAWA programs generally address domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking—crimes for which the risk of victimization is highest for women. See the latest U.S.

Congressional Research Service’s report on the Violence Against Women Act: “The 2022 Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization (R47570; May 22, 2023), by Emily J. Hanson. Text is accessible at <https://www.congress.gov/crs-product/R47570>; Accessed September 8, 2025.

³ As of the 2024-25 academic year, the College no longer operates a separate campus at Westphalia Training Center.

Hate Crimes

Under the Clery Act, hate crimes are crimes motivated by a bias included in one of the bias categories. The bias categories are disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, actual or perceived race, religion, national origin, and sexual orientation. In addition to the crimes listed under Criminal Offenses, the following crimes are reportable only if motivated by one of the hate crime bias categories: larceny-theft; simple assault; intimidation; and destruction/damage/vandalism of property.

Summary of Crimes for Largo Campus⁴

	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Criminal Offenses⁵	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Weapons Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault ⁶	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>								
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Hate Crimes⁷	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
All Categories = Zero (0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

⁴ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

⁵ There was zero crime determined to be “unfounded” for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

⁶ VAWA programs generally address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Crimes classified as sexual assault (*i.e.*, an offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI’s UCR program) are reported above, directly under the cell marked “Criminal Offenses.”

⁷ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called “Hate Crimes.” The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at Largo Campus in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Summary of Crimes for PGCC's Non-Campus Property, Joint Base Andrews⁸

	Non-Campus	Non-Campus	Non-Campus
Criminal Offenses⁹	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0
Arrests – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Arrests – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0
Arrests – Weapons Violation	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0
	Non-Campus	Non-Campus	Non-Campus
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>		
	Non-Campus	Non-Campus	Non-Campus
Hate Crimes¹⁰	2023	2022	2021
All Categories = Zero (0)	0	0	0

⁸ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

⁹ There were zero crimes determined to be “unfounded” at JBA for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

¹⁰ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called "Hate Crimes." The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at Joint Base Andrews Extension in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Summary of Crimes for Laurel College Center Campus¹¹

	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Criminal Offenses¹²	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Weapons Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>								
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Hate Crimes¹³	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
All Categories = Zero (0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹¹ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

¹² There were zero crimes determined to be “unfounded” for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

¹³ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called "Hate Crimes." The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at Laurel College Center Campus in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Summary of Crimes for Skilled Trades Center Campus¹⁴

	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Criminal Offenses¹⁵	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Weapons Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>								
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Hate Crimes¹⁶	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
All Categories = Zero (0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹⁴ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

¹⁵ There were zero crimes determined to be “unfounded” for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

¹⁶ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called "Hate Crimes." The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at Skilled Trades Center Campus in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Summary of Crimes for University Town Center Campus¹⁷

	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Criminal Offenses¹⁸	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Weapons Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>								
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Hate Crimes¹⁹	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
All Categories = Zero (0)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

¹⁷ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

¹⁸ There were zero crimes determined to be “unfounded” for the years 2022, 2023, and 2024.

¹⁹ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called "Hate Crimes." The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at University Town Center Campus in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Summary of Crimes for Westphalia Training Center Campus²⁰²¹

	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Criminal Offenses²²	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Murder / Non-Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fondling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Incest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arrest – Weapons Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referral – Weapon Violation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
VAWA Offenses	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
Domestic Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dating Violence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stalking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Assault	<i>See Footnote No. 6 and the Criminal Offenses Listed Above</i>								
	On-Campus			Non-Campus			Public Property		
Hate Crimes²³	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022	2024	2023	2022
All Categories = Zero (0) ²³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

²⁰ As of the 2024-25 academic year, the College no longer operates a separate campus at Westphalia Training Center.

²¹ PGCC does not have student housing facilities at any location and therefore does not post an Annual Fire Safety Report.

²² There were zero crimes determined to be “unfounded” for the years 2022, 2023 and 2024.

²³ Hate Crimes: The Clery Act requires reporting of certain crimes when they are committed with a motivation of bias - also called "Hate Crimes." The bias categories are race, religion, gender, gender identity, ethnicity, national origin, and disability. There were zero Hate Crimes reported at Westphalia Training Center Campus in 2022, 2023, and 2024.

Appendices

APPENDIX A STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT [RELEVANT EXCERPT, ONLY]

If an allegation of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking is determined to be outside of the parameters of Title IX enforcement authority, the allegation may be handled under the following portion of the College's Student Conduct process.

6. Student Conduct Process

- a. Any member of the College community may submit an Incident Report in response to an alleged Student Code of Conduct violation enacted by a student. The vice president for student affairs and/or official designee has the discretion to dismiss the alleged charges or file formal charges against the respondent. Other forms of reporting that may initiate possible action being taken upon a respondent are as follows:
 - i. College Police report or a report from another law enforcement agency in the surrounding community and/or state/federal government.
 - ii. Written statement(s) from any member of the College community that indicates a student has allegedly violated the Student Code of Conduct.
- b. The Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs sends all students that may have violated the Student Code of Conduct an official letter informing the student of his/her alleged violation(s) and to attend a Student Rights Information Session. Students are granted seven business days to respond to this letter and attend the Student Rights Information Session. Once this initial letter is sent to an official student email account, that student is known as a respondent for the duration of the conduct process. Upon completion of a Student Rights Information Session, the respondent can decide to accept the charges as they stand (Summary/ Informal Resolution) or select a formal hearing.
- c. If a formal hearing is selected, the program coordinator for student conduct and community standards and the respondent set a date for the formal hearing. Hearings are scheduled within seven days of the Student Rights Information Session. However, the vice president for student affairs and/or designee reserves the right to extend this timeframe based on the circumstances of the involved parties.

If there are any witnesses who would like to give testimony or provide a written statement to be read into the record at the hearing, the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs must be made aware of those individuals five days prior to the formal hearing date.
- d. The program coordinator for student conduct and community standards has ten days, from the date of the formal hearing, to issue a student conduct hearing outcome letter. The student conduct hearing outcome letter contains the following:
 - i. List of the violations of the Student Code of Conduct;
 - ii. Brief description of behavior that may have violated the Student Code of Conduct;
 - iii. Decision rationale; and,
 - iv. Appeal information (should the respondent be found responsible for Student Code of Conduct violations).

7. Incident Reporting

- a. Any member of the College community may submit an Incident Report to the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs. This includes all faculty and staff members. Students are extended the right to submit an Incident Report as well.
- b. The Incident Report Form is located on the Student Conduct and Community Standards Program website. The Incident Report Form can also be found on the “myPGCC” portal under the “Safety and Security” tab or via the following link:
<https://publicdocs.maxient.com/incidentreport.php?PrinceGeorgesCC>.
- c. The Incident Report Form is electronic and is sent directly to the program coordinator for student conduct and community standards upon submission.

8. Filing Time

- a. Complainants and/or victims must file the Incident Report to the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs no later than 90 days following the date of the incident. There is no time limit on reporting violations of the Student Code of Conduct for the following: sexual misconduct, stalking, dating violence, discrimination and harassment; however, the longer someone waits to report an offense, the harder it becomes for College officials to obtain information and witness statements and to make determinations regarding alleged violations.

9. Notification of Violation(s)

- a. Official notifications of alleged violations are sent to the respondent’s student email account. This notification shall contain the following information:
 - i. Time and date of the alleged Student Code of Conduct violation(s);
 - ii. Outline of specific alleged Student Code of Conduct violation(s); and,
 - iii. Brief description of the alleged behavior displayed by the respondent.
- b. Seven days after the initial violation notification letter has been sent and the student fails to respond, a hard copy of this communication will be sent to his/her address on file with the College. This letter will also inform him/her to check their student email account for official correspondence.

10. Information for Attorneys

- a. The College and its student conduct process do not operate as a court of law. Should a respondent choose to retain an attorney in relation to his/her student conduct case, that respondent is responsible for incurring the entirety of those legal fees, if any. Attorneys are permitted to provide support to respondents in the following forms:
 - i. Consult with the respondent during his/her student conduct hearing.
 - ii. Suggest questions for the respondent to ask.
 - iii. Provide moral/emotional support for the respondent.
- b. Attorneys are not permitted to:
 - i. “Cross-examine” witnesses;
 - ii. Speak on behalf of the respondent in any way, shape, or form;
 - iii. Object in any manner to questions asked by the hearing officer or discussions raised;
or
 - iv. Interrupt the student conduct proceeding.

- c. If a student intends to be accompanied at a hearing by an attorney, he/she must notify the vice president for student affairs five days in advance of the hearing date to permit the College to make arrangements for legal counsel.
- d. Should the respondent be facing concurrent criminal charges, attorneys may represent respondents in student conduct cases or request the student conduct process be halted until all court proceedings have been completed and a decision has been rendered in court. Please be advised that respondents may be placed on interim suspension should the aforementioned request be approved.

11. Interim Suspension Rationale

- a. In a situation where a student, or a group of students, displays behavior that may be an immediate threat to others in the College community, they may be immediately removed from campus until permitted to return by the vice president for student affairs and/or an official designee. An interim suspension is a temporary removal of a student from campus until he/she makes contact with the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, and the investigation into the behavior has concluded.

12. Student Rights Information Session

- a. Respondents are provided with the following information during this meeting:
 - i. Clear and concise description of the specified alleged violation(s) upon which his/her case was initiated.
 - ii. His/her rights as the respondent in the student conduct process in an effort to prepare them for an informal resolution or a student conduct hearing.
 - iii. Opportunity to review all materials related to the alleged violation(s) within his/her student conduct file.
 - iv. The right to accept responsibility and be held accountable for his/her actions and/or behavior.
 - v. The right to dispute the alleged violation(s) and select a formal hearing
 - vi. The last date to appeal should he/she be found responsible for a Student Code of Conduct violation.

13. Student Rights Related to Conduct Process

- a. Rights of the Respondent:
 - i. Be given notice of the charge(s) against him/her in writing.
 - ii. Schedule a hearing within a timely fashion.
 - iii. Review all materials related to the charge(s).
 - iv. Receive a fair and impartial hearing.
 - v. Be told the evidence against him/her and the identity of its sources.
 - vi. Be assisted by an advisor of their choice. Advisors/Consultants cannot speak on their behalf.
 - vii. Present a response to the charges, including relevant evidence and/or witnesses.
 - viii. Not be forced to give self-incriminating testimony.
 - ix. Be informed in writing of the hearing decision.
 - x. Appeal the hearing decision. The appeal process is discussed in more detail in Section R (Appeals), Section T (Appeal Procedure for Breaches of Academic Integrity),

- and Section V (Sexual Misconduct and Discrimination), sub-section (6) (Appeal) of this Code.
- xi. Be informed that the determination of responsibility is based on whether it is “more likely than not” that the accused student violated the Student Code of Conduct.
- b. Rights of the Complainant:
- i. Be informed of and have access to available College resources (*i.e.*, Disability Support Services, Counseling Services, Health Education Center and all other services offered to the College community).
 - ii. Be given a clear and concise explanation of the student conduct process.
 - iii. Not to be harassed by the respondent, his/her acquaintances, and supporters.
 - iv. Not to have contact with the respondent.
 - v. Testify on his/her own behalf and represent themselves in the student conduct hearing vi. Present witnesses who can speak to the charges. Character witnesses are not permitted.
 - vi. Have an advisor who can provide assistance throughout the conduct process.
 - vii. Remain present during the entire formal hearing process, with the exception of the deliberation phase when neither the accused nor the complainant may be present.
 - viii. The right to be informed if the respondent was found responsible or not responsible.
- c. In situations where the complainant is also the victim (cases involving: sexual misconduct, stalking, property damage, and behavior that adversely affects or endangers members of the College community), the following rights are extended:
- i. The choice to participate either for the entire hearing or only for her/his testimony
 - ii. The opportunity to testify with special accommodations (*i.e.*, teleconference, Skype). Please contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs to request special accommodations.
 - iii. To have an advisor from on or off-campus.
 - iv. To have no direct contact with the respondent.

14. Educational Interventions and Sanctions

- a. Recognizing that the goal of student discipline is generally rehabilitation or deterrence rather than punishment or removal of an offending student from the College community, the president and, as expressly provided herein, the vice president for student affairs, shall have the discretion to impose the following types of discipline:
- i. Warning: Notice to the student that continuation or repetition of specified conduct may be cause for other disciplinary action;
 - ii. Censure: Written reprimand for violation of specified regulation.
 - iii. Educational Assignment: A developmental task or writing assignment designed to make a positive contribution to the student’s overall success at the College.
 - iv. Community Service: the completion of a specified amount of service hours to the campus and/or surrounding community.
 - v. Personal Counseling Assessment: A referral to Counseling Services, Disability Support Services, and other College student services may be required for some cases.
 - vi. Restitution: In addition to any of the foregoing, reimbursement may be required for damage to or misappropriation of property. This may take the form of appropriate service or other compensation.

- vii. No Contact Order: A clear directive to cease and desist from any contact with a specified member of the College community. This includes but is not limited to, all faculty, staff, and students.
- viii. Campus Restrictions: A student's privilege to enter in, or be near, specified campus buildings, areas, and/or extension centers has been revoked.
- ix. Probation: Exclusion from participation in privileges or extracurricular College activities as set forth in the notice of probation for a specified period of time. If a student while on probation violates any of the terms set forth in the notice of probation or violates the Student Code of Conduct, as determined after the opportunity for a hearing, he/she shall be subject to further discipline in the form of suspension, dismissal, or expulsion;
- x. Interim Suspension: Exclusion from classes and other privileges or activities as set forth in the notice of interim suspension, pending final determination of an alleged violation;
- xi. Deferred Suspension: Completion of specified educational sanctions upon a specified date. If aforementioned sanctions have not been completed, the suspension will take immediate effect.
- xii. Suspension: Exclusion from classes and exclusion from other privileges or activities or from the College as set forth in the notice of suspension, for a definite period of time, with reinstatement thereafter dependent upon a showing of observance during the period of suspension of the terms set forth in the notice of suspension. If a student, while on suspension, violates any of the terms set forth in the notice of suspension or violates the Student Code of Conduct while on College property or in relation to a College-sponsored activity, as determined after the opportunity for a hearing, he/she shall be subject to further discipline in the form of dismissal or expulsion;
- xiii. Dismissal: Termination of student status for an indefinite period. The student may be readmitted to the College only with the specific approval of the president. If a dismissed student violates the Student Code of Conduct while on College property or in relation to a College-sponsored activity, he/she shall be subject to further discipline in the form of expulsion.
- xiv. Expulsion: Permanent termination of student status without possibility of readmission to any campus of the College;
- xv. Other: Other types of discipline as set forth in campus regulations;

15. Informal Hearing Information and Procedures (Summary Resolution)

- a. Summary resolution takes place when a respondent takes responsibility for their alleged violation(s) and accepts accountability. Upon the completion of a "Student Rights Information Session," a student accepts the charge(s) and receives educational interventions and/or sanctions.

16. Formal Hearing Information and Procedures

- a. All formal hearings are recorded by, and only by, the vice president for student affairs, hearing officer, and/or official designee. Recordings are kept for seven years, except in cases of expulsion. Recordings are securely kept in the respondent's student conduct file. Student conduct files are strictly confidential.
- b. Hearing Process:

- i. Introduction of all parties and reading of the incident report for the record.
- ii. Opening Statement from the respondent concerning the alleged violation(s).
- iii. Opening Statement from victim/reporter concerning the alleged violation(s).
- iv. Testimony from witness may be entered into the record and evidence may be presented.
- v. Questions from the hearing officer and/or student conduct board.
- vi. Questions from the respondent and the victim/reporter must be channeled through the hearing officer.
- vii. Closing statements from respondent and victim/reporter.

17. Burden of Proof (Formal Hearing)

- a. Respondents may only be found responsible for an alleged Student Code of Conduct violation if the College has established that it is more likely than not that the respondent violated this Code. Decisions are solely based on the information presented (*i.e.*, incident report, evidence, and information discovered through investigation by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs).

18. Appeals

- a. The Committee on Student Conduct serves as the appellate board for all student conduct cases. The Committee on Student Conduct consists of eight members from the faculty senate and three members of the student governance association. This committee is led by an official designated by the vice president for student affairs. For each appeal, the committee leader, one member from the faculty senate group, and one member from the student governance association group shall meet with the appealing party and decide whether to uphold the decision of the hearing outcome letter, or alter the educational interventions and/or sanctions applied to the respondent. The recommendation of the Committee on Student Conduct will be sent to the vice president for student affairs for a final decision.
- b. Respondents and Complainants
 - i. Should a respondent and/or complainant choose to appeal the student conduct hearing outcome, he/she must establish the basis for the appeal in writing and submit it to the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs. Either party may appeal the educational intervention(s), sanction(s), and his/her responsibility in the case.
 - ii. Appeals must be submitted no later than ten calendar days from the receipt of his/her student conduct hearing outcome letter.
- c. All appeal proceedings are recorded by, and only by, the vice president for student affairs and/or official designee. Recordings are kept for seven years, except in cases of expulsion. Recordings are securely kept in the respondent's student conduct file. Student conduct files are strictly confidential.

APPENDIX B

EMPLOYEE GUIDE – REVISED MARCH 2021 [RELEVANT EXCERPT, ONLY]

EMPLOYMENT NON-DISCRIMINATION

Prince George's Community College is committed to a policy of equal opportunity for all persons to the end that no person, on the grounds of sex, age, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, or status as a qualified individual with a disability, qualified disabled veteran, or Vietnam-era veteran, shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity of this Institution.

Under this policy, this Institution will not discriminate against any person on the grounds of sex, race, age, color, religion, veteran's status, disability, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation or national origin in its admission policies and practices or any other policies or practices relating to the treatment of students and other individuals, including employment, the provision of services, financial aid, and other benefits, and including the use of any building, structure, room space, materials, equipment facility or any other property.

One who believes oneself or any specific class of individual to be subject to prohibited discrimination may, by oneself or through a representative, file a written complaint with the Equity, Culture, and Talent Department - Employee and Labor Relations unit, Annex B, Reception area or call Equity, Culture, and Talent (301-546-5227) for directions on how to fill out a report online via [HR Maxient](#).



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