

**College District
Police Department**

To ensure sufficient security and protection of students, staff, and property, the Board authorizes the formation of a College District police department and shall employ and commission peace officers.

Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of College District peace officers shall include all counties in which property is owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the College District.

Police Authority

While within the jurisdiction set out in this policy, peace officers employed and commissioned by the College District shall have all the powers, privileges, and immunities of peace officers. College District peace officers shall have the authority to:

1. Protect the safety and welfare of any person in the jurisdiction of the College District and protect the property of the College District.
2. Enforce all laws, including municipal ordinances, county ordinances, and state laws, and investigate violations of law as needed. In doing so, College District police officers may serve search warrants in connection with College District-related investigations in compliance with the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.
3. Arrest suspects consistent with state and federal statutory and constitutional standards governing arrests, including arrests without warrant, for offenses that occur in the officer's presence or under the other rules set out in the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.
4. Coordinate and cooperate with commissioned officers of all other law enforcement agencies in the enforcement of this policy as necessary.
5. Enforce College District policies on College District property or at College District functions.
6. Investigate violations of College District policy, rules, and regulations as requested by the Chancellor and participate in administrative hearings concerning the alleged violations.
7. Carry weapons as directed by the director of public safety and approved by the Chancellor.
8. Carry out all other duties as directed by the director of public safety or Chancellor.

Temporary
Assignment

College District police officers shall enforce all laws, including municipal ordinances, county ordinances, and state laws within an-

other law enforcement agency's jurisdiction while temporarily assigned to the other agency.

**Limitations on
Outside Employment**

No officer commissioned under this policy shall provide law enforcement or security services for an outside employer without prior written approval from the director of public safety and Chancellor or designee.

**Relationship with
Outside Agencies**

The College District's police department and the law enforcement agencies with which it has overlapping jurisdiction shall enter into a memorandum of understanding that outlines reasonable communication and coordination efforts among the department and the agencies. The director of public safety and the Chancellor or designee shall review the memorandum of understanding at least once every year. The memorandum of understanding shall be approved by the Board.

Use of Force

The use of force, including deadly force, shall be authorized only when reasonable and necessary, as outlined in the department regulations manual.

High-Speed Pursuit

Officers shall not engage in high-speed chases in a motor vehicle when the immediate danger to the public or the officer created by the pursuit exceeds the immediate or potential danger presented by the offenders remaining at large. Guidelines for high-speed pursuits shall be addressed in the department regulations manual.

Video Monitoring

Video equipment shall be used on a College District police car for safety purposes whenever the flashing lights on a car are in use.

Access to
Recordings

Recordings shall be considered law enforcement records, shall remain in the custody of the director of public safety, and shall be maintained as required by the department regulations manual and law.

Officer Training

All College District officers shall receive at least the minimum amount of education and training required by law.

**Department
Regulations Manual**

To carry out the provisions in this policy, the police department shall compile and maintain a manual that describes and sets forth operational procedures, rules, and regulations pertaining to the administration of police services. The director of public safety and the Chancellor or designee shall review the manual annually and make any appropriate revisions.

Racial Profiling

The director of public safety shall develop and implement regulations to ensure compliance with state law regarding racial profiling. Peace officers employed by the College District shall not initiate any law enforcement action based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin.

Complaints

Complaints against a College District police officer shall be in writing on a form provided by the College District and shall be signed by the person making the complaint. In accordance with law, the College District shall provide to the police officer a copy of the complaint. [See COMPLAINTS AGAINST PEACE OFFICER at CHA(LEGAL)]

Appeals regarding this complaint process shall be filed in accordance with DGBA, FLD, or GB, as appropriate.