

LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION B-38

TOPIC: Free Speech Areas and Campus Access

I. **Background**

Education Code Section 76120 requires the Board of Trustees to adopt rules and regulations relating to the exercise of free expression by students upon the premises of each Community College campus. This section requires that these rules and regulations include provisions for the time, place, and manner for conducting free speech activities. The Board of Trustees has delegated to the Chancellor the responsibility for developing and implementing the required free speech rules and regulations on each LACCD campus.

The Chancellor, or his/her designee, shall work with each College President to identify campus areas available for student expressive activity and to develop the required time, place and manner regulations applicable to the exercise of free expression by students. In addition, the College President at each College shall identify a portion of his/her college campus as a Free Speech Area(s), and develop appropriate regulations to govern the use of such area(s). The identified Free Speech Area(s) is/are areas available to all persons for First Amendment activities, including the distribution of free literature or materials, and obtaining petition signatures.

The purpose of these regulations is to foster free speech, assembly, and other expressive activities, while addressing the need of each Community College campus to make necessary arrangements to assure that such activities do not interfere with the College's mission and operations or with the rights of others. Accordingly, these regulations are intended to facilitate peaceable assembly, the expression of ideas and opinions, and the distribution of materials, while ensuring the safe, orderly and peaceful flow of College business and activities.

Each campus shall have copies of this Administrative Regulation, copies of the campus time, place and manner regulation, and copies of the campus map identifying the FSA(s) and areas available for student expressive activity on hand at all times. Copies of this Administrative Regulation, the campus map, and the campus regulation shall be provided to persons seeking to use these areas.

II. Accessing the Free Speech Area(s)

The location of the Free Speech Area(s) on each College campus is/are identified on the College's campus map. The Office of Student Services, or similar office, is also identified on the campus map. A copy of the campus map is available online on each College's website.

Any visitor (defined as any persons unaffiliated with LACCD) seeking access to a College's Free Speech Area(s) shall first report his/her/their presence to the Office of Student Services, or similar office, identified on the campus map. The visitor or organization representative shall be provided: 1) a copy of this Administrative Regulation; 2) a copy of the campus time, place, and manner regulation; and 3) a copy of the campus map. The visitor or organization representative shall be asked to complete the attached "*Voluntary Acknowledgement Form*." Representatives of organizations will also be asked to identify the organization and indicate the number of persons expected to visit the Free Speech Area(s).

Completing the "Voluntary Acknowledgement Form" is completely voluntary. No person or organization will be denied access to the FSA(s) for refusing to complete the "Voluntary Acknowledgement Form." The form is not a permit to use a Free Speech Area. The information provided on the form will be used to document your presence on campus, assess the need for security, and address capacity issues and overcrowding.

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Los Angeles Community College District
Free Speech Area
Voluntary Acknowledgement Form

Name of Individual/Organization: _____

Organization Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Date/Timeframe of Requested Use: Date: _____ Time: _____ to _____

If organization, number of persons: ____

Any person requesting the use of a Free Speech Area(s) does so in accordance with all applicable California law and Los Angeles Community College campus rules and regulations.

As an individual, and/or on behalf of the group that I represent, I/we hereby agree to abide by all applicable California law and Los Angeles Community College campus rules and regulations pertaining to the use of the Free Speech Area(s) to which I am/(we are) seeking access.

Signature

Date