



INVITED SPEAKERS AND ENTERTAINMENT POLICY

Student Services & Activities

Policy Number: 3060

1.0 PURPOSE

The Board, administration and faculty of Columbia Basin College (“CBC” or the “College”) believe that an important aspect of the education of college students is the opportunity to listen to speakers representing a wide variety of opinions and beliefs and be exposed to various types of entertainment. Therefore, in conformity with the American traditions of free speech and inquiry, it is provided that any faculty group or student organization recognized and established pursuant to such other College rules may invite to the College any speaker or entertainment subject to any legal restraints imposed by the laws or the constitution of the United States and/or the State of Washington.

The appearance of an invited speaker or entertainment at the College does not represent an endorsement, either implicit or explicit, of their views by the College, its students, faculty, administration or Board of Trustees.

2.0 AUTHORITY & SCOPE

2.1 Authority: N/A

2.2 Scope: All CBC Employees and Students.

3.0 DEFINITIONS

3.1 Faculty refers to the teaching staff of the College, or one of its departments or divisions, viewed as a body.

3.2 Student Organization is defined as any number of persons who have complied with the formal requirements for college recognition, such as Clubs & Associations, and are recognized by the college.

3.3 Free Speech is the right to express any opinions without censorship or restraint. The right to free speech does not include hate speech or speech that incites violence.

3.4 Free Inquiry is the right to open, vigorous and challenging debate across a full spectrum of human issues.

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4.1 Responsibilities of the College

All CBC groups sponsoring speakers or entertainment shall be responsible for:

4.1.1 The conduct of their invited guests;

4.1.2 Determining financial feasibility;

- 4.1.3 Making all institutionally required arrangements including but not limited to:
 - 4.1.3.1 Submitting a request to the Office of Student Conduct and Activities;
 - 4.1.3.2 Submitting a Professional Services Contract request to the Office of Administrative Services;
 - 4.1.3.3 Scheduling an appropriate on-campus venue through 25Live; and
 - 4.1.3.4 Managing all aspects of the speaker's or entertainment's visit.

4.2 Contacts

- 4.2.1 Assistant Dean for Student Conduct & Student Life, 509-542-4765 or ext. 2765
- 4.2.2 Administrative Services, 509-542-4408 or ext. 2248
- 4.2.3 Vice President for Student Services, 509-542-4761, ext. 2761

5.0 FORMS & OTHER RESOURCES

[Schedule a Room Webpage](#) for CBC employees.

[Reserve a Space at CBC Webpage](#) for CBC students and community members.

6.0 HISTORY & POLICY CONTACT

6.1 Originated: 10/1982

6.2 Revised: 09/1997, 05/2005, 12/2019, 05/2023

6.3 Proposal Date: 10/1982

6.4 Policy Review: N/A

6.5 Promulgation Date: N/A

6.6 Responsible Administrator: Vice President for Student Services