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Report Introduction

Minnesota State is the fifth largest system of public colleges and universities in the country. It consists of 31 institutions with 54 campuses across the state and serves more 410,000 students each year.

The law creating the system was passed by the Minnesota Legislature in 1991 and went into effect July 1, 1995. The law merged the state's community colleges, technical colleges, and state universities into one system.

Hennepin Technical College opened in 1972, and is the largest stand-alone technical college in Minnesota, with two campuses (Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie) that offer career and technical programs.

In 1990, Congress enacted the Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Title II of Public Law 101-542), which amended the Higher Education Act of 1965 (HEA). This act required all postsecondary institutions participating in HEA's Title IV student financial assistance programs to disclose campus crime statistics and security information. The act was amended in 1992, 1998, 2000 and 2008. The 1998 amendments renamed the law the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act in memory of a student who was slain in her dorm room in 1986. It is generally referred to as the Clery Act and is in section 485(f) of the HEA.

On March 7, 2013, the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA) (Public Law 113-14) was signed into law. VAWA includes amendments to the Clery Act. These changes require institutions to disclose statistics, policies and programs related to dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, among other changes.

The Hennepin Technical College Campus Security Office is recognized as the primary campus department responsible for providing security services for students, faculty, staff and campus visitors. The department is comprised of fulltime professional and part-time paraprofessional officers. Campus Security officers are NOT licensed police officers and do not possess the power of arrest as defined by Minnesota State Statute, but have been granted the authority by the Institution’s President to enforce institution policy, which is not inconsistent with federal, state or local law, and to make citizens arrests when necessary.

The Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie Police Departments provide fully licensed police protection for Hennepin Technical College. The Campus Security Office has developed a working relationship with both Police Departments that allows for immediate response to all crimes, emergencies, or requests for service generated by the campus.

The Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office compiles all required information and statistics for this report. Statistics are collected using incident reports and from other reporting authorities including, but not limited to, local law enforcement agencies and officials of Hennepin Technical College who have significant responsibility for student and campus activities. These college officials, known as Campus Security Authorities, include individuals in various departments. See page 16 for the complete CSA list.
It is the policy of Hennepin Technical College to report all criminal activity to the Brooklyn Park or Eden Prairie Police Departments by reporting incidents directly to their office or to the Campus Security Office. All crimes or potential crimes that are reported to the Campus Security office will be forwarded to the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments. It is also Hennepin Technical College’s position that all campus community members are responsible for reporting any criminal activity they become aware of to the Campus Security office (located in H101 – adjacent to each lobby Reception desk).

Brooklyn Park Campus
4141 – from any campus phone
763-488-2655 Security desk phone

Eden Prairie Campus
5151 – from any campus phone
952-995-1433 Security desk phone

Local police agencies can be reached at the following phone numbers:

Brooklyn Park Police
Emergency – 911
Non – Emergency -763-493-8222

Eden Prairie Police
Emergency - 911
Non- Emergency - 952-949-6200

Hennepin Technical College urges all campus entities that are excluded from mandatory reporting, such as professional mental health counselors and pastoral counselors, to advise clients who are victims of crime to report those incidents to campus or local law enforcement authorities, and to report confidential information used strictly for statistical purposes to the Campus Security Office.

Hennepin Technical College publishes the Annual Security Report each year by October 1. The report is distributed to all potential students on the college application form and prospective employees on the job announcement via direct link to the report. All current students, faculty and staff are sent an email that briefly describes the report and also contains the exact Internet address where it can be found. [https://hennepintech.edu/about/pages/security](https://hennepintech.edu/about/pages/security). Printed copies of the report are available, at no cost, upon request from either Campus Security Office.

Geography

Pursuant to the Act, the Campus Security Office monitors criminal activity and publishes this report containing a three-year statistical history of select crimes or incidents that occur. The statistics are gathered from four specific geographic areas; 1) campus, 2) residence halls (subset of campus if applicable), 3) non-campus property or institution sanctioned buildings or property and 4) public property that is adjacent to campus, and are submitted on an annual basis to the U.S. Department of Education.

The following definitions are taken from the Higher Education Act of 1965, 485(f) (20 U.S.C. 1092(f)), the “Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act”, and are used to classify the locations listed in the Hennepin Technical College Crime Statistics.

**Campus:** The term “campus” means 1) any building or property owned or controlled by an institution of higher education within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution and used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to, the institution’s educational purposes, including residence halls; and 2) property within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.
that is owned by the institution but controlled by another person, is used by students, and supports institutional purposes (such as a food or other retail vendor).

**Non-Campus Building or Property:** The term “non-campus building or property” means 1) any building or property owned or controlled by an institution; and 2) any building or property (other than a branch campus) owned or controlled by an institution of higher education that is used in direct support of, or in relation to, the institution’s educational purposes, is used by students, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution.

**Public Property:** The term “public property” means all public property that is within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the institution, such as a sidewalk, a street, other thoroughfare, or parking facility, and is adjacent to a facility owned or controlled by the institution if the facility is used by the institution in direct support of, or in a manner related to the institution’s educational purposes.

Hennepin Technical College public property includes adjacent streets, Parks, and sidewalks. **See maps - pages 6 and 7**
In the above map the area outlined encompasses the Clery geographical reporting area for the Hennepin Technical College Brooklyn Park Campus. The Campus proper is outlined in Red, with Greenhaven Park, Brooklyn Boulevard, Boone Avenue, and Mt. Curve Boulevard outlined in Amber. These inclusions are separated out in the crime statistics and make up the “Public Property” category.

**Hennepin Technical College does not own or operate any student housing facilities**

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**Public Property**

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In the above map the area outlined encompasses the Clery geographical reporting area for the Hennepin Technical College - Eden Prairie Campus. The Campus proper is outlined in Red, with Staring Lake Park, and College View Drive outlined in Amber. These inclusions are separated out in the crime statistics and make up the “Public Property” category.

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<th>Eden Prairie Campus</th>
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Public Property

| Staring Lake Park | 14800 Pioneer Trail, Eden Prairie, MN 55347 |
Types of Crimes required Under the Clery Act, (for definitions See Appendix 1)

Criminal homicide:
  Murder and non-negligent manslaughter
  Negligent Manslaughter

Sex Offenses:
  Rape
  Fondling
  Incest
  Statutory rape

Robbery
Aggravated assault
Burglary
Motor vehicle theft
Arson

Arrests and referrals for disciplinary actions, including:
  Arrests for liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession.
  Persons who were referred to campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug law violations, and illegal weapons possession.

Hate crimes, including:
  The number of the following crimes that are determined to be hate crimes:
    Larceny-theft
    Simple assault
    Intimidation
    Destruction/damage/vandalism of property

  For each hate crime recorded an institution must identify the category of bias that motivated the crime. For the purposes of this, the categories of bias include the victim’s actual or perceived:
    Race
    Gender
    Gender identity
    Religion
    Sexual orientation
    Ethnicity
    National origin
    Disability

Dating violence
Domestic violence
Stalking

The definitions for the above crimes and categories can be found on page 36, Appendix 1, Glossary of Crimes and Categories.
## Crime Statistics 2014 - 2016

In the crime statistics table below, the abbreviations BPC & EPC represent the following locations:

**BPC** - Brooklyn Park Campus – 9000 Brooklyn Boulevard, Brooklyn Park, MN.
**EPC** - Eden Prairie Campus – 13100 College View Drive, Eden Prairie, MN.

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As demonstrated in the Clery Geography Map, the “Public Property” category includes reported crimes which occurred in Greenhaven Park (BPC) or Staring Lake Park (EPC).

### Bias Motivated Crimes

The following table depicts reported crimes which were motivated by bias. In addition to murder/non-negligent manslaughter, negligent manslaughter, forcible and non-forcible sex offences, arson, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and motor vehicle theft, the crimes of larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, and destruction/damage/vandalism of property are included in the list of crimes that must be reported as hate crime statistics if there is evidence that the crime was perpetrated by the offender’s bias towards the victim’s actual or perceived race, gender, gender identity, religion, sexual orientation, ethnicity, national origin or disability.

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Emergency Response and Timely Warning

Hennepin Technical College is required by policy and fire code to have evacuation and emergency operations plans in place. Evacuation plans are posted in corridors throughout each campus, and emergency procedures guides can be found on the Campus Security Page and are posted in all offices and Labs. The Campus Security office can provide copies/replacements on request. Hennepin Technical College also has a current Emergency Operations Plan based on the all-hazards concept, incorporating the National Incident Management System and coordinated with the system office and local emergency response agencies. This plan is used to respond to any level of emergency impacting Hennepin Technical College and outlines the responsibilities and actions necessary to protect life, property and the environment. Some of the processes and procedures are included in this report.

Emergency Response: Hennepin Technical College will immediately notify the campus community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health and safety of students, faculty or staff occurring on campus. Hennepin Technical College has several systems in place for communicating information quickly. Some or all of these methods of communication may be activated in the event of an immediate threat. These methods of communication include but are not limited to:

Active messaging: Hennepin Technical College has the ability to address the campus through a public address system that covers interior campus offices, classrooms and public spaces. The PA system is augmented by Bull horns.

Passive messaging: Hennepin Technical College will provide emergency information via the main web page. The administration will use campus wide mass email and any other available media such as signs, reader boards and internal closed circuit televisions to disseminate emergency notifications to students, faculty and staff. Twitter and Facebook social media may also be used to disseminate emergency notification either individually or through the Star Alert system.

Individual messaging: Hennepin Technical College utilizes an emergency notification system branded Star Alert, provided by Blackboard Connect, which disseminates emergency notification through SMS text, direct phone calls and email, at the selection of the recipient. This is an opt in system.

Opt In process- All new students are given Star Alert cards, and an introduction to the value of opting in when they receive their student ID card in each Security office. New employees are given Star Alert sign up cards when issued employee ID’s and parking permits. The Star Alert system is also referenced during security training presentations. Vendors are issued Star Alert cards at the beginning of each new semester.

Students, faculty and staff have the option of permanently opting out of Star Alert should they choose. For additional information on access, issues concerning individual accounts or other questions contact: security@hennepintech.edu
Hennepin Technical College, upon confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation involving an immediate threat to the health and safety of students or employees occurring on campus:

1. A Hennepin Technical College official will verify that a legitimate emergency or dangerous situation exists, even if all of the pertinent details are not known or are available at the time.
2. Hennepin Technical College officials, in coordination with and at the advice of local first responders, will determine the appropriate segment(s) of the campus community to receive notification.
3. Hennepin Technical College will, without delay, and taking into account the safety of the community, determine the content of the notification, unless issuing a notification will, in the professional judgement of responsible authorities, compromise efforts to assist a victim or to contain, respond to, or otherwise mitigate the emergency.

The following persons or Department(s) are responsible for emergency notification dissemination:

The Office of the President
Chief Advancement & Communications Officer
Chief Information Officer

Hennepin Technical College after ensuring that local first responders are notified, will activate the active messaging system to provide emergency notification to the campus community. An immediate Star Alert containing pertinent emergency notification and information will be disseminated. Other passive and individual messaging will provide redundant and detailed emergency information as soon as reasonably possible.

Hennepin Technical College will test the emergency response and evacuation procedures annually in accordance with this policy and applicable state and federal regulations. Tests may be announced or unannounced and emergency response and evacuation procedures may be publicized in conjunction with at least one test per calendar year. Six (6) Evacuation Fire Drills, and Six (6) Shelter in place drills – 2 per semester both day and evening in each building are conducted annually at Hennepin Technical College. Three (3) tests of the Emergency Notification system are conducted at the beginning of each new semester. Results of each test will be documented and include a description of the exercise, the date, time, and whether it was announced or unannounced. This information will be maintained in the Eden Prairie Campus Security office. Records for all Clery related requirements are maintained for seven years and available upon request.

Timely Warning: Hennepin Technical College will issue a timely warning for all Clery Act crimes reported to Campus Security Authorities or local police agencies and considered by Hennepin Technical College officials to represent a serious or continuing threat to students, faculty and staff. Timely warning will not be limited to violent crimes or crimes against persons, and may include crimes against property or other types of serious or continuing threats.

Issuance of a Timely Warning is determined on a case-by-case basis. Factors included are the nature of the crime or threat, the continuing danger to the campus community and the possible risk of compromising law enforcement efforts. Hennepin Technical College will consult with local law enforcement and other officials when determining the need and content of any Timely Warning.
The intent of a Timely Warning is to enable the campus community to protect themselves and will include all information that would promote safety and aid in the prevention of similar crimes or protection from specific threats. Timely Warnings will be disseminated by using any of the following - the Star Alert text and email feature, campus email system, Flyers at Public entrances, or any other passive or individual method of notification to students, faculty and staff.

**Fire Evacuation Procedures**
Flashy strobe lights and emergency sirens will sound in the event of a fire. Calmly exit the building via the nearest exit. Do not use elevators. Campus Maintenance, campus security and members of the Emergency Response Team will provide direction and assistance. Evacuate to a safe distance (this is beyond the perimeter road at each campus) and remain outside until the all clear is announced.

**Severe Weather Shelter Procedures**
In the event of severe weather requiring campus occupants to seek shelter, an overhead page will be made advising the campus to proceed to the nearest Severe Weather Shelter area – followed up with bull horns. Calmly proceed to the designated severe weather shelter areas. Maintenance, campus security and members of the Emergency Response Team will provide direction and assistance. Remain in the Severe Weather Shelter area until the all clear is announced.

**Lockdown Procedures**
In the event of an emergency or incident, which has the potential for direct or immediate harm to the campus community, lockdown procedures would be implemented. An overhead page advising the campus of a lockdown, asking all to proceed to the nearest classroom or enclosed area, and secure yourself inside. Shut off all sources of light (i.e. lights, computer monitors, television screens, etc) Stay away from windows and doors remain calm and quiet, wait for instructions from administration or first responders. During a Lockdown, exterior doors will be left open to allow first responders quick access to address the threat.

**Evacuation Procedures**
Certain emergencies may necessitate an immediate evacuation of the building (gas leak, hazardous materials spill, bomb threat). An overhead page announcing the need to immediately evacuate - followed with bull horns. Maintenance and campus security staff would perform a sweep of all areas to insure a complete evacuation-followed by securing entrance points. The campus community would be asked to remain a safe distance from the building (beyond the perimeter road is considered a minimum safe distance) until the building is deemed safe to re-enter, or the President’s office issues a class cancellation/staff dismissal.
Campus Security Policies

Any Hennepin Technical College student, faculty or staff member should call 911 from any campus phone or 911 from a cell phone to report an emergency situation or crime.

Crimes can also be reported directly to either Campus Security office

**Brooklyn Park Campus**
- 4141 –from any campus phone
- 763-488-2655 Security desk phone

**Eden Prairie Campus**
- 5151–from any campus phone
- 952-995-1433 Security desk phone

Local police agencies can be reached at the following phone numbers:

**Brooklyn Park Police**
- Emergency – 911
- Non – Emergency -763-493-8222

**Eden Prairie Police**
- Emergency - 911
- Non- Emergency - 952-949-6200

Crimes may also be reported directly to the Provost, Deans, the Director of Student Life, either security office, the Director of Security. Please notify Campus Security anytime 911 services are requested (fire, law enforcement, and medical) on campus.

All criminal activity occurring on campus should be reported immediately to Hennepin Technical College Campus Security in room H101 (either campus) or by telephone- see above. **Reports may also be made to any of the Campus Security Authorities (see following page)** If the victim chooses, an additional report can be filed with the appropriate local law enforcement agency. Hennepin Technical College Campus Security or others listed below can assist the complainant in completing reports. Internal reports may be shared with other departments on campus as necessary to complete an investigation and/ or to ensure the safety of the campus community. The Campus Security office or others listed below will assist Police Department(s) with investigations as required. Depending on many factors of crime reporting,

Hennepin Technical College may or may not hold reports of crime in confidence and may be required by law to release information based on the events or nature of the crime. Whenever possible Hennepin Technical College will attempt to protect the identity of crime victims.
Crimes can be reported to any of the Campus Security Authority below who have significant responsibility for student and campus activities (not including counselors).

**Campus Security Authorities**

*(2017 – 2018)*

- President .................................................................................................................. 763-488-2401
- Provost ...................................................................................................................... 952-995-1400
- Vice President of Finance/Operations .................................................................... 763-488-2518
- Chief Human Resources Officer .............................................................................. 763-488-2525
- Director of Technology .......................................................................................... 952-995-1626
- Chief Advancement & Communications Officer ...................................................... 763-488-2426
- Chief Diversity & Affirmative Action Officer ........................................................... 763-488-2633
- Dean of Students .................................................................................................... 763-488-2605
- Dean of Enrollment Services .................................................................................... 952-995-1406
- Academic Dean ...................................................................................................... 763-488-2446
- Academic Dean ...................................................................................................... 952-995-1405
- Academic Dean ...................................................................................................... 763-488-2407
- Academic Dean ...................................................................................................... 763-488-2465
- Director of Student Life ........................................................................................... 763-488-2441
- Student Life coordinators ....................................................................................... 952-995-1377
- Director of Security ................................................................................................ 952-995-1525
- Director of Safety ................................................................................................... 763-788-2506
- Director of Advising ............................................................................................... 763-488-2415
- Director of Finance ................................................................................................. 763-488-2463
- Director of Financial Aid .......................................................................................... 952-995-1471
- Assistant Director of Admissions ............................................................................ 763-488-2550
- College Registrar ................................................................................................... 763-488-2453
- Disability Services Director/BP Campus ................................................................. 763-488-2477
- Disability Services Director/EP Campus ................................................................. 952-995-1544
- Career Services Director .......................................................................................... 763-488-2411
- Bookstore Manager ................................................................................................. 763-995-1532
- Post Coordinator .................................................................................................... 763-657-3726
- Academic Advisors ................................................................................................ 763-488-2580
- Advisors to Student Clubs

Hennepin Technical College does not have any procedure that encourages pastoral counselors and professional counselors to inform the persons they are counseling of any procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for inclusion in the annual disclosure of crime statistics. Hennepin Technical College is not required to report statistics for crimes reported to a pastoral or professional counselor. Pastoral and professional counselors, if and when they deem appropriate, are encouraged to inform the persons they are counseling, of any procedures to report crimes on a voluntary, confidential basis for including in the annual disclosure of crime statistics.

Hennepin Technical College security personnel and officials ARE NOT certified or sworn peace officers and do not possess law enforcement (arrest) authority. Hennepin Technical College personnel do utilize private person arrest authority pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 629.37 when appropriate.
Hennepin Technical College works closely with both the Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie Police Departments, State Patrol, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension, and other state and federal law enforcement agencies as required. Hennepin Technical College maintains Memorandums of Understanding with both the Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie Police Departments.

Hennepin Technical College, in partnership with these agencies monitors and records criminal activity and violations of student conduct by students at non-campus locations of student organizations officially recognized by the College.

Hennepin Technical College encourages students, faculty and staff to accurately and promptly report all crimes to one of the above listed agencies and offices if a victim and you so choose or if you are aware of a crime and the victim is unable to make such a report.

Hennepin Technical College annually reviews the physical security infrastructure to ensure appropriate steps are taken to maintain and enhance the safety and security of the campus. Landscaping and lighting are checked by Maintenance and Campus security annually and discrepancies are addressed immediately via the online Maintenance worksite. The campus works closely and routinely with the system Emergency Preparedness and Security Specialist and the Facilities department to evaluate campus physical security and vulnerability, programming resources to address any potential threats, vulnerabilities or contingencies.

Each Campus and the Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice Education Center are open during the following hours:

**Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie**
Mon – Fri 6:00AM to 10:00PM  
Saturday 7:00AM to 3:00PM

**Law Enforcement & Criminal Justice Education Center**
Mon – Fri 6:00AM to 10:00PM  
Saturday 7:30-4:30

Campus buildings, offices, classrooms and labs use keys and access cards issued to authorized personnel only, to open manually operated locks. Typically, campus security and or maintenance opens and/or grants access, and secures all facility access points after hours.

Hennepin Technical College provides the following programs at the frequency noted, to inform students, faculty and staff about campus security procedures and practices:

- Emergency procedures- Active shooter training – offered day/evens each semester
- Verbal de-escalation – offered day/evens each semester
- FEMA 3C2P Training offered each academic year
- Emergency Procedures for members of the Campus Emergency Response team-annually
- Campus Security Authority training- annually to all identified CSA’s
Hennepin Technical College encourages students, faculty and staff to be responsible for their own security and the security of others by following the tips provided:

**Protect your property:**
- Personal property (purses, backpacks, calculators, cell phones, etc.) should never be left unattended. Take such items with you if you are leaving the office, classroom, or your residence.
- Take valuables home with you during vacations and school breaks.
- Park your bike where you can keep an eye on it if possible. Always lock your bike.

**Protect your automobile:**
- Always lock your car doors and never leave your keys or valuable items such as cameras, wallets, etc. in plain sight or on the seats in the vehicle.
- Try to park your car in a well-lit area.

**Protect yourself at night:**
- Avoid walking alone at night.
- Refrain from taking shortcuts; walk where there is plenty of light and traffic.
- Call for an escort in advance.

**Protect yourself walking and jogging:**
- Avoid walking and jogging alone after dark. If you must travel alone at night, call for someone to escort you to your on-campus destination.
- Walk along well-lit routes.
- Be alert to your surroundings. If you suspect you are being followed, run in a different direction, go to the other side of the street and yell for help, or head quickly for a lighted area or a group of people.
- Have your keys ready when returning to your residence or apartment, and keep your personal or valuable items concealed and close to your body.

**Help us protect you:**
- Watch for suspicious persons in and around college buildings and in parking lots. Do not pursue them. Call 911 first and then.
  1. Suspicious activity:
     (a) If you see any suspicious activity or people on or near campus, call law enforcement. Do not assume that what you observe is an innocent activity or that it has already been reported.
     (b) Do not assume the person is a visitor or college staff member that you have not seen before.
  2. Suspicious people may be:
     (a) Loitering about at unusual hours and locations; running, especially if something of value is being carried.
     (b) Exhibiting unusual mental or physical symptoms. Person(s) could be under the influence of drugs or otherwise needing medical or psychiatric assistance.
     (c) Carrying property that might be suspicious, depending on the circumstances, going from room to room trying door handles.
- Report all thefts and property loss immediately to the Campus Security office.
- Be security conscious at all times.
Daily Crime Log

Hennepin Technical College has a Campus Security office, and therefore maintains a written daily crime log. The crime log records by date the crime was reported, any crime that occurred within the institutions designated Clery geography and that is reported to the Campus Security office. The information in the crime log contains the nature, date, time and general location of each crime and disposition of the complaint, if known. Hennepin Technical College MUST make an entry or an addition to an entry in the log within two business days of the report of the information to the Campus Security office, unless that disclosure is prohibited by law or would jeopardize the confidentiality of the victim. The institution may withhold information required if there is clear and convincing evidence that the release of the information would:

1) Jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation or the safety of an individual,
2) Cause a suspect to flee or evade detection, or
3) Result in the destruction of evidence.

Hennepin Technical College may disclose any information withheld once the adverse effect described above is no longer likely to occur. The institution can withhold only that information that would cause the adverse effect.

The Campus Security office makes the crime log for the most recent 60-day period open to public inspection during normal business hours. Hennepin Technical College must also make any portion of the crime log, older than 60 days available within two business days upon a request for inspection. Requests may be made to either Campus Security office, or to the Director of Security at 952-995-1525.

Sexual Assault and Related Offenses

Hennepin Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational programs and sexual harassment and sexual violence are types of sex discrimination. Other acts can also be forms of sex-based discrimination and are also prohibited whether sexually based or not and include dating violence, domestic violence, and stalking. As a result, Hennepin Technical College issues this statement of policy to inform the community of our comprehensive plan addressing sexual misconduct, educational programs, and procedures that address sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking, whether the incident occurs on or off campus and when it is reported to a Hennepin Technical College official. In this context, Hennepin Technical College prohibits the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking and reaffirms its commitment to maintain a campus environment emphasizing the dignity and worth of all members of the university community.

For a complete copy of Hennepin Technical College’s policy governing sexual misconduct, visit https://hennepintech.edu/about/pages/1166

Definitions: The following are Clery definitions:

Consent: is informed, freely given and mutually understood. If coercion, intimidation, threats, and/or physical force are used, there is no consent. If the complainant is mentally or physically incapacitated or impaired so that the complainant cannot understand the fact, nature, or extent of the sexual
situation, there is no consent; this includes conditions due to alcohol or drug consumption, or being asleep or unconscious. Silence does not necessarily constitute consent, and past consent of sexual activities does not imply ongoing future consent. Whether the respondent has taken advantage of a position of influence over the complainant may be a factor in determining consent.

**Sexual Assault:** an offense that meets the definition of rape, fondling, incest, or statutory rape as used in the FBI’s Uniform Crime Reporting system. A sex offense is any act directed against another person, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. An actual, attempted, or threatened sexual act with another person without that a person's consent. Sexual assault is often a criminal act that can be prosecuted under Minnesota law, as well as form the basis for discipline under Minnesota State student conduct codes and employee disciplinary standards. Sexual assault includes but is not limited to:

1. Involvement without consent in any sexual act in which there is force, expressed or implied, or use of duress or deception upon the victim. Forced sexual intercourse is included in this definition, as are the acts commonly referred to as "date rape" or "acquaintance rape." This definition also includes the coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force sexual intercourse or a sexual act on another.
2. Involvement in any sexual act when the victim is unable to give consent.
3. Intentional and unwelcome touching, or coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force another to touch a person's intimate parts (defined as primary genital area, groin, inner thigh, buttocks, or breast).
4. Offensive sexual behavior that is directed at another such as indecent exposure or voyeurism.

**Rape:** is defined as the penetration, no matter how slight, of the vagina or anus with any body part or object, or oral penetration by a sex organ of another person, without the consent of the victim.

**Fondling:** is defined as the touching of the private parts of another person for the purposes of sexual gratification, without the consent of the victim, including instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her age or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

**Incest:** is defined as nonforcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

**Statutory Rape:** is defined a nonforcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

**Domestic Violence:** The term “domestic violence” means felony or misdemeanor crimes of violence committed—

1. By a current or former spouse or intimate partner of the victim;
2. By a person with whom the victim shares a child in common;
3. By a person who is cohabitating with or has cohabitated with the victim as a spouse or intimate partner;
4. By a person similarly situated to a spouse of the victim under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred; or
5. By any other person against an adult or youth victim who is protected from that person’s acts under the domestic or family violence laws of the jurisdiction in which the crime of violence occurred.
**Dating Violence:** The term “dating violence” means violence committed by a person – who is or has been in a social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the victim. The existence of such a relationship shall be based on the reporting party’s statement and with consideration of the length of the relationship, the type of relationship, and the frequency of interaction between the persons involved in the relationship. For the purposes of this definition, Dating Violence includes, but is not limited to, sexual or physical abuse or the threat of such abuse. Dating violence does not include acts covered under the definition of domestic violence. Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

**Stalking:** The term “stalking” means engaging in a course of conduct directed at a specific person that is unwanted, unwelcome, or unreciprocated; and that would cause a reasonable person to fear for the person’s safety or the safety of others; or suffer substantial emotional distress.

1. Course of conduct means two or more acts, including, but not limited to, acts which the stalker directly, indirectly, or through third parties, by any action, method, device, or means follows, monitors, observes, surveils, threatens, or communicates to or about, a person, or interferes with a person’s property.

2. Substantial emotional distress means significant mental suffering or anguish that may, but does not necessarily, require medical or other professional treatment or counseling.

3. Reasonable persons means a reasonable person under similar circumstances and with similar identities to the victim.

Any incident meeting this definition is considered a crime for the purposes of Clery Act reporting.

Hennepin Technical College engages in comprehensive, intentional, and integrated programming, initiatives, strategies, and campaigns intended to end dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. Hennepin Technical College has developed an annual educational campaign consisting of presentations that include distribution of educational materials to new students and participating in and presenting information and materials during new employee orientation. Primary prevention and awareness programs are culturally relevant, inclusive of diverse communities and identities, sustainable, responsive to community needs, and informed by research, or assessed for value, effectiveness, or outcome. Environmental risk and protective factors are considered as they occur on the individual, relationship, institutional, community and societal levels.

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Procedures for Reporting a Complaint: Hennepin Technical College has procedures in place that serve to be sensitive to those who report sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. The College will inform individuals of their right to file criminal charges as well as the availability of counseling, health, mental health, victim advocacy, legal assistance, visa and immigration assistance and other services on and/or off campus. The College will identify additional remedies to prevent contact between a complainant and an accused party, such as academic schedules, transportation and working accommodations, if reasonably available.

Hennepin Technical College will make such accommodations, if the victim requests them and if they are reasonably available, regardless of whether the victim chooses to report the crime to the Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office or local law enforcement. Students and employees should contact - Campus Security office H101 – 763-248-1354

After an incident of sexual assault and domestic violence, the victim should consider seeking medical attention as soon as possible at Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC) Sexual Assault Resource Service 701 Park Avenue, Orange Building 2.220, Minneapolis, MN 55415 (612) 873-5832

In Minnesota, evidence may be collected even if you chose not to make a report to law enforcement. Evidence collected during a medical forensic exam will only be tested if a report is made to law enforcement. Under Minnesota law, the county in which the sexual assault or rape occurred is responsible for the cost of collecting evidence during your medical forensic examination. The county must pay regardless of whether or not you report to law enforcement. After your medical forensic examination has been performed, the county may be reimbursed from your insurance with your permission. Counties must obtain your approval prior to billing your insurance. Whether or not the county uses your insurance is your choice.

It is important that a victim of sexual assault not bathe, douche, smoke, change clothing or clean the bed/linen/area where they were assaulted if the offense occurred within the past 96 hours so that evidence may be preserved that may assist in proving that the alleged criminal offense occurred/or is occurring or may be helpful in obtaining a protection order. In circumstances of sexual assault, if victims do not opt for forensic evidence collection, health care providers can still treat injuries and take steps to address concerns of pregnancy and/or sexually transmitted disease.

Victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking, and dating violence are encouraged to also preserve evidence by saving text messages, instant messages, social networking pages, other communications, and keeping pictures, logs or other copies of documents, if they have any, that would be useful to Hennepin Technical College hearing boards/investigators or police.

Although Hennepin Technical College strongly encourages all members of its community to report violations of this policy to law enforcement, it is the victim’s choice whether or not to make such a report and victims have the right to decline involvement with the police. Hennepin Technical College will assist any victim with notifying local police if they so desire. The Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may also be reached directly.
Brooklyn Park Police
Emergency – 911
Non – Emergency -763-493-8222

in person at
Brooklyn Park Police
7608 Brooklyn Blvd. Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Eden Prairie Police
Emergency - 911
Non- Emergency - 952-949-6200

in person at
Eden Prairie Police
8080 Mitchell Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Additional information about each Police Department may be found online at:
http://www.brooklynpark.org/city-government/police/
http://www.edenprairie.org/city-government/departments/police-department

If you have been the victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, you should report the incident promptly to the Title IX Coordinator, by calling, writing or coming into the office to report in person.
Jean Maierhofer
763-488-2633 - phone
Jean.Maierhofer@hennepintech.edu - e-mail
F160 Brooklyn Park Campus, F140 Eden Prairie Campus – offices

Reports may also be made to either Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office, if the victim so desires. Hennepin Technical College will provide resources, on campus, off campus or both, to include medical, health, to persons who have been victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, and will apply appropriate disciplinary procedures to those who violate this policy. The procedures set forth below are intended to afford a prompt response to charges of sexual assault, domestic or dating violence, and stalking, to maintain confidentiality and fairness consistent with applicable legal requirements, and to impose appropriate sanctions on violators of this policy.

As time passes, evidence may dissipate or become lost or unavailable, thereby making investigation, possible prosecution, disciplinary proceedings, or obtaining protection from abuse orders related to the incident more difficult. If a victim chooses not to make a complaint regarding an incident, he or she nevertheless should consider speaking with Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office (if applicable) or other law enforcement to preserve evidence in the event that the victim changes her/his mind at a later date.

If a report of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking is reported to the institution, below are the procedures that the institution will follow as well as a statement of the standard of evidence that will be used during any judicial hearing on campus arising from such a report:

Hennepin Technical College Title IX Coordinator, Dean of Students and the Campus Security office, when informed of an alleged incident of sexual violence, shall promptly assist the complainant, as requested. Hennepin Technical College will:

1. Provide complainant with written information to access medical care, depending on when reported (immediate vs. delayed report).
2. Assess immediate safety needs of complainant.
3. Assist complainant with contacting local police if complainant requests and provide contact information for local police department.
4. Provide complainant with referrals to on and off campus mental health providers.
5. Assess need to implement interim or long-term protective measures, such as housing changes, change in class schedule, “No Contact” directive between both parties
6. Provide a “No Trespass” directive to accused party if deemed appropriate
7. Provide written instructions on how to apply for an Order of Protection
8. Provide a copy of the Sexual Violence Policy to complainant and inform the complainant regarding timeframes for inquiry, investigation and resolution
9. Inform the complainant of the outcome of the investigation, whether or not the accused will be administratively charged and what the outcome of the hearing is
10. Enforce the anti-retaliation policy and take immediate and separate action against parties that retaliate against a person for complaining of sex-based discrimination or for assisting in the investigation.

When appropriate, Hennepin Technical College may pursue legal action against a respondent, including, but not limited to, trespass or restraining orders, in addition to disciplinary action under the applicable student or employee conduct standard.

**Assistance for Victims - Rights and Options:** Regardless of whether a victim elects to pursue a criminal complaint or whether the offense is alleged to have occurred on or off campus, Hennepin Technical College will assist victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and will provide each victim with a written explanation of their rights and options. In Minnesota, a victim of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking has the following rights:

1. Be informed of prosecutor’s decision to decline prosecution or dismiss the case along with information about seeking a protective or harassment order at no fee
2. Protection against employer retaliation for victims to take reasonable time off to attend order for protection or harassment restraining order proceedings
3. Domestic abuse victims have the ability to terminate a lease without penalty
4. Sexual assault victims can make a confidential request for HIV testing of a convicted offender
5. Sexual assault victims do not have to pay the cost of a sexual assault examination
6. Sexual assault victims may not be required to undergo a polygraph examination in order for an investigation or prosecution to proceed.

Further, Hennepin Technical College complies with Minnesota law in recognizing Orders of Protection and Harassment Restraining Orders. Any person who obtains an order of protection from Minnesota or any reciprocal state (Under VAWA’s full faith and credit provision, every state must recognize and enforce protection orders issued in other states, as if issued in the enforcing state) should provide a copy to Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office, and the Dean of Students. A complainant may then meet with Hennepin Technical College Campus Security and the Dean of Students to develop a Safety Action Plan, which is a plan for campus officials and the victim to reduce risk of harm while on campus or coming and going from campus. This plan may include, but in not limited to: escorts, special parking arrangements, changing classroom location or allowing a student to complete assignments from home, etc.) Hennepin Technical College cannot apply for a legal order of protection, no contact order or restraining order for a victim from the applicable jurisdiction(s). The victim is required to apply directly for these services. Protection from abuse orders may be available through the local county court at no cost. Hennepin Technical College may issue an institutional no contact order if deemed appropriate or at
the request of the victim or accused. To the extent of the victim’s cooperation and consent, Hennepin Technical College offices will work cooperatively to ensure that the complainant's health, physical safety, work and academic status are protected, pending the outcome of a formal investigation of the complaint. If reasonably available, a complainant may be offered changes to academic, living, or working situations in addition to counseling, health services, visa and immigration assistance and assistance in notifying appropriate local law enforcement. Additionally, personal identifiable information about the victim will be treated as confidential and only shared with persons with a specific need to know who are investigating/ adjudicating the complaint or delivering resources or support services to the complainant (for example, publicly available record-keeping for purposes of Clery Act reporting and disclosures will be made without inclusion of identifying information about the victim, as defined in 42 USC 1395 (a) (20).) Further, Hennepin Technical College will maintain as confidential, any accommodations or protective measures provided to the victim to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the institution to provide the accommodations or protective measures.

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| Order for Protection (OFP) Domestic Abuse | • Spouses  
• Former Spouses  
• Parents and Children  
• Persons related by blood  
• Persons who live together or who have lived together in the past  
• Persons who have a child in common, even if they have not been married or lived together  
• Persons who have an unborn child in common  
• Persons involved in a significant romantic or sexual relationship | Visit any Hennepin County Courthouse. District Court staff will help you complete the paperwork (Affidavit and Petition) needed to ask for a temporary "ex parte" Order for Protection. You are called the "Petitioner" and the person you are filing against is called the "Respondent." The Campus Security office can assist students in completing and filing OFP’s and harassment orders. | • physical harm, bodily injury, or assault;  
• the infliction of fear of imminent physical harm, bodily injury, or assault; or  
• terroristic threats, within the meaning of section 609.713, subdivision 1; criminal sexual conduct, within the meaning of section 609.342, 609.343, 609.344, 609.345, or 609.3451; or interference with an emergency call within the meaning of section 609.78, subdivision 2. |
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<td>To file a Harassment Restraining Order, you must first fill out a Court Administration form titled &quot;Petitioner's Affidavit and Petition for Harassment Restraining Order.&quot; You may pick up a copy of this form from the Hennepin County Service Center, or download it from the Minnesota Court System's web site. Provide as many details as possible on the form, and return it to Court Administration.</td>
<td>A single incident of physical or sexual assault or repeated incidents of intrusive or unwanted acts, words, or gestures that have a substantial adverse effect or are intended to have a substantial adverse effect on the safety, security, or privacy of another, regardless of the relationship between the actor and the intended target.</td>
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*Criteria for Order reflects Minnesota Statutes

The institution does not publish the name of crime victims nor house identifiable information regarding victims in the Daily Crime Log or online. Victims may request that directory information on file be removed from public sources by request – contact The College Registrar at 763-488-2453 for details and assistance.

**Resources for victims (On-Campus)**

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Other resources available to persons who report being the victim of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, or stalking, include:

- [http://www.rainn.org](http://www.rainn.org) – Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network
- [http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/sexassault.htm](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/sexassault.htm) - Department of Justice
- [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html](http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/index.html) Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights
**Bystanders:** Bystanders play a critical role in the prevention of sexual and relationship violence. They are “individuals who observe violence or witness the conditions that perpetuate violence. They are not directly involved but have the choice to intervene, speak up, or do something about it. We want to promote a culture of community accountability where bystanders are actively engaged in the prevention of violence without causing further harm. We may not always know what to do even if we want to help. Below is a list of some of the ways to be an active bystander. If you or someone else is in immediate danger, call 911. This could be when a person is yelling at or being physically abusive towards another and it is not safe for you to interrupt.

1. Watch out for your friends and fellow students/employees. If you see someone who looks like they could be in trouble or need help, ask if they are OK.
2. Confront people who seclude, hit on, and/or try to make out with, or have sex with people who are incapacitated.
3. Speak up when someone discusses plans to take sexual advantage of another person.
4. Believe someone who discloses sexual assault, abusive behavior, or experience with stalking.
5. Refer people to on or off campus resources listed in the Annual Security Report or other resources for support in health, counseling, or with legal assistance.

**Reducing the Risk of Sexual Assault:** You can reduce the chances of sexual assault by doing the following:

1. Be aware of your surroundings. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you to find a way to get out of a bad situation.
2. Try to avoid isolated areas, it is more difficult to get help if no one is around.
3. Walk with purpose. Even if you don’t know where you are going, act like you do.
4. Trust your instincts. If a situation or location feels unsafe or uncomfortable, it probably isn’t the best place to be.
5. Try not to load yourself down with packages or bags as this can appear more vulnerable.
6. Make sure your cell phone is with you and charged and that you have cab money.
7. Don’t allow yourself to be isolated with someone you don’t trust or someone you don’t know.
8. Avoid putting music headphones in both ears so that you can be more aware of your surroundings, especially if you are walking alone.
9. When you go to a social gathering, go with a group of friends. Arrive together, check in with each other throughout the evening, and leave together. Knowing where you are and who is around you may help you find a way out of a bad situation.
10. Trust your instincts. If you feel unsafe in any situation, go with your gut. If you see something suspicious, contact law enforcement immediately (call 911).
11. Don’t leave your drink unattended while talking, dancing, using the restroom, or making a phone call. If you’ve left your drink unattended, just get a new one.
12. Don’t accept drinks from people you don’t know or trust. If you choose to accept a drink, go with the person to the bar to order it, watch it being poured, and carry it yourself. At parties, don’t drink from the punch bowls or other large, common open containers.
13. Watch out for your friends, and vice versa. If a friend seems out of it, is way too intoxicated for the amount of alcohol they have had, or is acting out of character, get him or her to a safe place immediately.
14. If you suspect you or a friend has been drugged, contact law enforcement immediately. Be explicit with doctors so they can give you the correct tests (you will need a urine test and possibly others).

15. If you need to get out of an uncomfortable or scary situation here are some things that you can try:
   a. Remember that being in this situation is not your fault. You did not do anything wrong, it is the person who is making you uncomfortable that is to blame.
   b. Be true to yourself. Don’t feel obligated to do anything you don’t want to do. “I don’t want to” is always a good enough reason. Do what feels right to you and what you are comfortable with.
   c. Have a code word with your friends or family so that if you don’t feel comfortable you can call them and communicate your discomfort without the person you are with knowing. Your friends or family can then come and get you or make up an excuse for you to leave.
   d. Lie. If you don’t want to hurt the person’s feelings it is better to lie and make up a reason to leave that to stay and be uncomfortable, scared, or worse. Some excuses you could use are needing to take care of a friend or family member, not feeling well, having somewhere else that you need to be, etc.

16. Try to think of an escape route. How would you try to get out of the room? Where are the doors? Windows? Are there people around who might be able to help you? Is there an emergency phone nearby?

17. If you and/or the other person have been drinking, you can say that you would rather wait until you both have your full judgement before doing anything you may regret later.

**Complainants and victims’ rights:** are as follows:

1. Complainants and victims have the right to file criminal charges with local law enforcement officials in any sexual assault case
2. They have all of the rights under the crime victims bill of rights, Minn. Stat. §§ 611A.01 – 611A.06, including the right to assistance from the Crime Victims Reparations Board and the commissioner of public safety
3. Complainants and victims are afforded the availability of prompt assistance from campus officials, upon request, in notifying the appropriate campus investigating authorities and law enforcement officials, and, at the direction of law enforcement authorities, assistance in obtaining, securing, and maintaining evidence in connection with a sexual violence incident
4. Campus Security Authorities will assist in preserving for a sexual violence complainant materials relating to a campus disciplinary proceeding
5. Complaints of incidents of sexual violence made to campus security authorities must be promptly and appropriately investigated and resolved
6. Upon a sexual assault complainant’s request, Hennepin Technical College will take action to prevent unwanted contact with the alleged assailant, including, but not limited to, transfer of the complainant and/or the respondent to alternative classes, or to a work site or to alternative college-owned housing, if such alternatives are available and feasible. Any accommodations or protective measures provided to the victim will be maintained in confidence, to the extent that maintaining such confidentiality would not impair the ability of the institution to provide the accommodations or protective measures.
7. Upon the request of the complainant, students who report sexual assaults to (Minnesota State) and subsequently chose to transfer to another college or university will be provided with information about resources for victims of sexual assault at the college or university to which the complainant is transferring.

**Investigation and Disciplinary Procedures:** Investigations and disciplinary procedures will be conducted by Hennepin Technical College 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. Hennepin Technical College officials who conduct investigations and disciplinary procedures will not have any bias or conflict of interest toward either the accuser or the accused.

During procedures used in response to a complaint of sexual violence complainants are not required to follow any plan of action, to prevent the possibility of re-victimization. The process will be respectful of the needs and rights of individuals involved and they will be treated with dignity. It is never assumed or suggested that the complainant or victim was at fault for the sexual assault or should have behaved differently to prevent the assault. All proceedings will be acted on promptly and conducted within reasonable timeframes. The process will allow for extensions of those timeframes for good cause with written notice to the accuser and the accused of the delay and the reason for the delay. The process will be consistent with these policies and transparent to the accuser and the accused. Timely notice for all meetings at which the accuser or accused both may be present will be provided. The accuser and accused will have equal access to any information that will be used during informal and formal disciplinary meetings and hearings. Student complainants and respondents will have the same opportunity to have an appropriate support person or advisor present at any interview or hearing, in a manner consistent with the governing procedures and applicable data practices law. Employees have the right to representation consistent with the appropriate collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan. All procedures will be conducted in accordance with applicable due process standards and privacy laws. The complainant and respondent will simultaneously be informed, in writing, of the outcome in a timely manner, as permitted by applicable privacy law. Outcomes will be based on a preponderance of evidence standard, meaning that it is more likely than not that the policy, procedure, or code has been violated. The past sexual history of the complainant and respondent are deemed irrelevant except as that history may directly relate to the incident being considered. A respondent’s use of any drug, including alcohol, judged to be related to an offense may be considered to be an exacerbating rather than mitigating circumstance.

Hennepin Technical College takes allegations of sexual violence very seriously and recognizes the consequences such allegations may have on a respondent as well as the complainant. Any individual who knowingly provides false information regarding the filing of a complaint or report of sexual violence, or who provides false information during the investigation of such a complaint or report, may be subject to discipline or, under certain circumstances, legal action. Complaints of conduct that are found not to violate policy are not assumed to be false.

If a complainant or victim no longer desires to pursue a complaint through Hennepin Technical College proceeding, Hennepin Technical College reserves the right to investigate and resolve the complaint as it deems appropriate. Hennepin Technical College reserves discretion whether to pursue alleged violations of policy under appropriate circumstances, including, but not limited to, a determination that an effective investigation is not feasible because of the passage of time, or because the respondent is no longer a student or employee of Hennepin Technical College.
Sanctions: Hennepin Technical College may, at any time during the report/complaint process, reassign or place on administrative leave an employee alleged to have violated Board Policy 1B.3, in accordance with the procedures in System Procedure 1B.1.1. Such action must be consistent with the applicable collective bargaining agreement or personnel plan.

Hennepin Technical College may summarily suspend or take other temporary measures against a student alleged to have committed a violation of Board Policy 1B.3, in accordance with System Procedure 1B.1.1 or Board Policy 3.6.

Sanctions that may be imposed if a finding is made that sexual violence has occurred include, but are not limited to, suspension, or expulsion of students, or termination from employment for employees. The appropriate sanction will be determined on a case-by-case basis, taking into account the severity of the conduct, the student’s or employee’s previous disciplinary history, and other factors as appropriate. Witnesses or victims who report in good faith an incident of sexual violence will not be sanctioned by Hennepin Technical College for admitting in the report to a violation of the student conduct policy on the use of alcohol or drugs.

Actions by a student or employee intended as retaliation, coercion, discrimination, reprisal, or intimidation against an individual for making a complaint or participating in any way in a report or investigation under this policy are prohibited and are subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

In accordance to the "Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act" of 2000, which amends the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act, the Jeanne Clery Act, section 121 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006, and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, the Hennepin Technical College Campus Security office is providing a link to the Minnesota Sex Offender Registry. This act requires institutions of higher education to issue a statement advising the campus community where law enforcement information provided by a State concerning registered sex offenders may be obtained. It also requires sex offenders already required to register in a State to provide notice of each institution of higher education in that State at which the person is employed, carries a vocation, or is a student.

The Minnesota Level 3 Sex Offender Registry is available via Internet. Information regarding Level 3 sex offenders can be found at https://coms.doc.state.mn.us/PublicViewer and information regarding Level 2 offenders is available from the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments.

Filing an Appeal: The complainant or the respondent may appeal the decision of the decision maker. An appeal must be filed in writing with the president or designee within ten (10) business days after notification of the decision. The appeal must state specific reasons why the complainant or respondent believes the decision was improper. In a complaint against a president or other official who reports directly to the chancellor, an appeal may be considered by the chancellor whether or not the chancellor served as the decision maker.

For employees represented by a collective bargaining agreement, an appeal under this procedure is separate and distinct from, and is not in any way related to, any contractual protections or procedures. During the pendency of the appeal disciplinary or corrective action taken as a result of the decision shall be enforced. In addition, in cases involving sanctions of suspension for ten (10) days or longer, students shall be informed of their right to a contested case hearing under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 14.
The president or designee shall review the record and determine whether to affirm or modify the decision. The president or designee may receive additional information if the president or designee believes such information would aid in the consideration of the appeal. The decision on appeal shall be made within a reasonable time and the complainant, respondent and designated officer shall be notified in writing of the decision, consistent with applicable state and federal data privacy laws. The decision on appeal exhausts the complainant's and respondent’s administrative remedies under this procedure except as provided herein.

**Drug and Alcohol Policies:**

Hennepin Technical College prohibits the unlawful possession, consumption (use), sale, or distribution of alcohol by all students and employees and enforces all applicable drinking/liquor laws and policies on campus, including Federal law, Minnesota State law, Brooklyn Park and Eden Prairie Ordinances and College policy.

The possession or consumption of alcohol is prohibited in all Hennepin Technical College campus buildings, and applies regardless of age. Consuming Alcohol and Loitering with an Open container of alcohol is a violation of the law in accordance with Brooklyn Park city ordinance 112.047, and Eden Prairie city ordinance 9.39 The only exception is for special events authorized by the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees.

Students are subject to the Student Code of Conduct while participating in school sponsored activities at off campus locations- any violations of the Student Code of Conduct while participating in any such activities will be investigated by Hennepin Technical College Dean of students, and the Campus Security office.

**Students** who are found to be in possession of an open container or consuming alcohol while on campus will be subject to disciplinary action for violating the Student Code of Conduct. If students are not cooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the student may be subject to citation or arrest. **Employees** who are found to be in possession of an open container or consuming alcohol while on campus will be subject to disciplinary action. **Non-students/ non-employees** who are found to be in possession of an open container or consuming alcohol while on campus may be asked to leave campus, may be prohibited from returning for one year, if uncooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the individual may be subject to citation or arrest.

The state of being under the influence of alcohol is prohibited in all Hennepin Technical College campus buildings.

**Students** who are believed to be under the influence of alcohol will be subject to disciplinary action for violating the Student Code of Conduct. **Employees** who are believed to be under the influence of alcohol will be subject to disciplinary action. **Non-students/ non-employees** who are believed to be under the influence of alcohol may be asked to leave campus, may be prohibited from returning for one year, and if uncooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the individual may be subject to citation or arrest.
Illegality of Drugs on Campus and the Enforcement of Federal and State Drug Laws: Hennepin Technical College enforces Federal, State, and local drug laws regarding the use, possession, and sale of illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia. Hennepin Technical College forbids the possession, use, or distribution of illegal drugs on campus. This includes but is not limited to possession, sale, and use, growing, manufacturing and making of narcotic drugs. Exceptions would be drugs prescribed by a doctor’s order.

The state of being under the influence of a controlled substance is prohibited in all Hennepin Technical College campus buildings.

Students who are believed to be under the influence of a controlled substance will be subject to disciplinary action for violating the Student Code of Conduct. Employees who are believed to be under the influence of a controlled substance will be subject to disciplinary action. Non-students/ non-employees who are believed to be under the influence of a controlled substance may be asked to leave campus, may be prohibited from returning for one year, and if uncooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the individual may be subject to citation or arrest.

For petty misdemeanor crimes, such as possession of marijuana, the following actions will be taken: Students who are found to be in violation of the law will be subject to disciplinary action for violating the Student Code of Conduct. If students are not cooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the student may be subject to citation or arrest. Employees who are found to be in violation of the law while on campus will be subject to disciplinary action. Non-students/ non-employees who are found to be in violation of the law while on campus may be asked to leave campus, may be prohibited from returning for one year, if uncooperative the Brooklyn Park/Eden Prairie Police Departments may be called to assist, and the individual may be subject to citation or arrest for misdemeanor and felony level drug crimes.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Education Programs: Hennepin Technical College recognizes the reality of chemical dependency and is aware of its occasional presence in the higher education community. As a safeguard against this dependency, numerous campus organizations provide prevention programs to the campus community. Hennepin Technical College encourages and provides reasonable assistance to any student, faculty or staff member who seeks information on chemical dependency or treatment for chemical dependency. Various offices, including Counseling and Human Resources, provide information and referral to prevention programs for those seeking help with substance abuse.

- Drug free schools email sent to all registered students at the start of every semester. Includes resources on campus and in the community.
- CARE team webpage - [https://hennepintech.edu/current/pages/1706](https://hennepintech.edu/current/pages/1706).
- Be Healthy Week – held once per semester and includes educational information on all health topics including chemical dependency and resources.
**Firearms Policy**: Board Policy 5.21 Possession or Carry of Firearms  

**Purpose and Scope.** The purpose of this policy is to establish restrictions on possession or carry of firearms applicable to the Minnesota State, in accordance with the Minnesota Citizens' Personal Protection Act of 2003, Minnesota Statutes section 624.714, and other applicable law.

**Definitions.**

**Employee.** "Employee" means any individual employed by Minnesota State and the system office, including student employees.

**Firearm.** "Firearm" means a gun, whether loaded or unloaded, that discharges shot or a projectile by means of an explosive, a gas or compressed air.

**Pistol.** Means a weapon as defined in Minnesota Statutes section 624.712, subd. 2

**Student.** "Student" means an individual who is:
1. registered to take or is taking one or more courses, classes, or seminars, credit or noncredit, at any system college or university; or
2. between terms of a continuing course of study at the college or university, such as summer break between spring and fall academic terms; or
3. expelled or suspended from enrollment as a student at the college or university, during the pendency of any adjudication of the student disciplinary action.

**Campus property.** "Campus property" means the facilities and land owned, leased, or under the primary control of Minnesota State, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, its Board of Trustees, and system office.

**Visitor.** "Visitor" means any person who is on campus property, but does not include (1) an employee of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities acting in the course and scope of their employment; or (2) a student, when that student is on campus property.

No person is permitted to carry or possess a firearm on campus property except as provided in this policy.

**Employees.**

1. **Prohibition.** Employees are prohibited from possessing or carrying a firearm while acting in the course and scope of their employment, either on or off campus property, regardless of whether the employee has a permit to carry a firearm, except as otherwise provided in this policy.
2. **Employee reporting responsibility.** An employee with a reasonable basis for believing an individual is in possession of or carrying a firearm in violation of this policy has a responsibility to report the suspected act in a timely manner, unless doing so would subject the employee or others to physical harm. Reports should be made to the official designated in the applicable policy included in this report. This policy shall not prohibit prompt notification to appropriate law enforcement authorities when an
immediate threat to personal safety exists. Employees shall not make reports of a suspected violation knowing they are false or in reckless disregard of the truth.

**Students.** Students are prohibited from possessing or carrying a firearm while on campus property, regardless of whether the student has a permit to carry a firearm, except as otherwise provided in this policy.

**Visitors.** Visitors are prohibited from possessing or carrying a firearm while on system property, except as otherwise provided in this policy.

**Exceptions.** The following are exceptions to this policy:

**Parking areas.** This policy does not prohibit the lawful possession or carry of firearms in a parking area or parking facility.

**Authorized uses.** This policy does not prohibit:

1. Lawful possession or carry related to an academic use or use at a campus shooting range, such as law enforcement programs, approved in writing by the college or university president; or
2. Transport of an unloaded firearm directly between a parking area or parking facility and the location authorized for its use, or transport of an unloaded firearm directly between a parking area or parking facility and a storage facility provided by the college or university.
3. Possession or carry of a pistol by a visitor who has a lawful permit to carry a pistol pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 624.714, subd. 1a (see related documents below).
4. Possession or carry of a firearm by a licensed peace officer under Minnesota Statutes section 626.84, subd.1(c) or by a qualified law enforcement officer pursuant to 18 United States Code section 926B (see related documents below), when possession or carry is otherwise authorized by law.

**Violations.** Violations of this policy by students or employees are misconduct subject to discipline, up to and including expulsion or termination.

**Referral to Law Enforcement.** Hennepin Technical College may refer suspected violations of weapons law to appropriate law enforcement authorities, and provide access to investigative or other data as permitted by law.
Appendix 1
Terms and Definitions

Aggravated Assault
An unlawful attack by one person upon another for the purpose of inflicting severe or aggravated bodily injury. This type of assault usually is accompanied by the use of a weapon (or displays weapon in a threatening manner) or by means likely to produce death or great bodily harm (e.g. victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness).

Arson
Any willful or malicious burning or attempt to burn, with or without intent to defraud, a dwelling house, public building, motor vehicle or aircraft, personal property of another, etc.

Burglary
The unlawful entry of a structure with the intent to commit a felony or theft.

Consent
Consent is informed, freely given and mutually understood. If coercion, intimidation, threats, and/or physical force are used, there is no consent. If the complainant is mentally or physically incapacitated or impaired so that the complainant cannot understand the fact, nature, or extent of the sexual situation, and the condition was known or would be known to a reasonable person, there is no consent; this includes conditions due to alcohol or drug consumption, or being asleep or unconscious. Whether the respondent has taken advantage of a position of influence over the complainant may be a factor in determining consent.

Criminal Homicide – Negligent Manslaughter
The killing of another person through gross negligence.

As a general rule, any death caused by the gross negligence of another is classified as Criminal Homicide—Manslaughter by Negligence (b).

Dating and Relationship Violence
Dating and relationship violence includes physical harm or abuse, and threats of physical harm or abuse, arising out of a personal intimate relationship. This violence also may be called domestic abuse or spousal/partner abuse and may be subject to criminal prosecution under Minnesota state law.

Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of Property - To willfully or maliciously destroy, damage, deface, or otherwise injure real or personal property without the consent of the owner or the person having custody or control of it.

Drug law violations
Arrests or referrals for the violation of state and local laws relating to the unlawful possession, sale, use, growing, manufacturing, and making of narcotic drugs.
**Intimidation** - To unlawfully place another person in reasonable fear of bodily harm through the use of threatening words and/or other conduct but without displaying a weapon or subjecting the victim to actual physical attack. Note: This offense includes stalking.

**Larceny-theft** – The unlawful taking, carrying, leading, or riding away of property from the possession or constructive possession of another person.

**Liquor law violations**
Arrests or referrals for the violation of laws or ordinances prohibiting the manufacture, sale, transporting, furnishing, or possessing of intoxicating liquor.

**Motor Vehicle Theft**
The theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

Note: A motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface of land and not on rails and that fits one of the following property descriptions:

- **Automobiles** - sedans, coupes, station wagons, convertibles, taxicabs, or other similar motor vehicles that serve the primary purpose of transporting people
- **Buses** - motor vehicles that are specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport groups of people on a commercial basis
- **Recreational Vehicles** - motor vehicles that are specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport people and also provide them temporary lodging for recreational purposes
- **Trucks** - motor vehicles that are specifically designed (but not necessarily used) to transport cargo
- **Other Motor Vehicles** - any other motor vehicles, e.g., motorcycles, motor scooters, trail bikes, mopeds, snowmobiles, or golf carts.

**Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter**
The willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.

As a general rule, any death caused by injuries received in a fight, argument, quarrel, assault, or commission of a crime is classified as Murder and Non-negligent Manslaughter (1a).

**Robbery**
The taking or attempting to take anything of value from the care, custody, or control of a person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear that force will be used.

Robbery is a vicious type of theft in that it is committed in the presence of the victim. The victim, who usually is the owner or person having custody of the property, is directly confronted by the perpetrator and is threatened with force or is put in fear that force will be used. Robbery involves a theft or larceny but is aggravated by the element of force or threat of force.
Sexual Assault

“Sexual assault” means an actual, attempted, or threatened sexual act with another person without that person’s consent. Sexual assault is often a criminal act that can be prosecuted under Minnesota law, as well as form the basis for discipline under student conduct codes and employee disciplinary standards. Sexual assault includes but is not limited to:

1. Involvement without consent in any sexual act in which there is force, expressed or implied, or use of duress or deception upon the victim. Forced sexual intercourse is included in this definition, as are the acts commonly referred to as “date rape” or “acquaintance rape.” This definition also includes the coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force sexual intercourse or a sexual act on another.

2. Involvement in any sexual act when the victim is unable to give consent.

3. The intentional touching or coercing, forcing, or attempting to coerce or force another to touch an unwilling person’s intimate parts (defined as primary genital area, groin, inner thigh, buttocks, or breast).

4. Offensive sexual behavior that is directed at another such as indecent exposure or voyeurism.

Simple Assault - An unlawful physical attack by one person upon another where neither the offender displays a weapon, nor the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of consciousness.

Sex Offenses – Defined

Forcible Sex Offenses.

Any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will or not forcibly or against the person’s will in instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent. Reported offenses may include:

- **Forcible Rape** - The carnal knowledge of a person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will or not forcibly or against the person’s will in instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (or because of his/her youth).

- **Forcible Sodomy** - Oral or anal sexual intercourse with another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will or not forcibly or against the person’s will in instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

- **Sexual Assault with an Object** - To use an object or instrument to unlawfully penetrate, however slightly, the genital or anal opening of the body of another person, forcibly and/or against that person’s will or not forcibly or against the person’s will where in instances where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity.

Note: An object or instrument is anything used by the offender other than the offender’s genitalia. Examples include but are not limited to a finger, bottle, handgun, or a stick.
- **Forcible Fondling** - The touching of the private body parts of another person for the purpose of sexual gratification, forcibly and/or against that person’s will or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity.

Note: Forcible Fondling includes Indecent Liberties and Child Molesting. Because Forcible Fondling is an element of Forcible Rape, Forcible Sodomy, and Sexual Assault with an Object, it should be reported only if it is the sole Forcible Sex Offense committed against a victim.

**Sex Offenses, Non-forcible.**

Unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse.
Reported offenses may include:

- **Incest** - non-forcible sexual intercourse between persons who are related to each other within the degrees wherein marriage is prohibited by law.

- **Statutory Rape** - non-forcible sexual intercourse with a person who is under the statutory age of consent.

Note: If force was used or threatened, or if the victim was incapable of giving consent because of his/her youth or because of his/her temporary or permanent mental incapacity, then the offense should be classified as forcible rape, not statutory rape.

**Sexual Violence**

Sexual violence includes a continuum of conduct that includes sexual assault, and non-forcible sex acts, dating and relationship violence, stalking, as well as aiding acts of sexual violence.

**Stalking**

Stalking is conduct directed at a specific person that is unwanted, unwelcome, or unreciprocated and that would cause a reasonable person to fear for her or his safety or the safety of others or to suffer substantial emotional distress.

**Weapons law violations**

Arrests or referrals for the violation of laws or ordinances dealing with weapon offenses.

**Resources:**

- 2016 Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting
- Title 34: Education [PART 668—STUDENT ASSISTANCE GENERAL PROVISIONS](#)
- Subpart D—Institutional and Financial Assistance Information for Students
- Bystander intervention strategies Stanford University’s Office of Sexual Assault & Relationship Abuse, Various Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Annual Security Reports.