



## **AP 3445                      ANIMALS ON CAMPUS**

### **References:**

- State of California Penal Code § 365.5 and 597s;
- California Civil Code § 54.1; American Disabilities Act Title II & III
- Santa Barbara Municipal Code, Chapter 6.08

The SBCC campus shall adhere to the intent of related statutes of the State of California Penal Code (animal cruelty and rights of the disabled).

For all areas of the Cliff Campus except the Great Meadow:

- Animals on campus must be under the control of a competent person.
- Dogs must be restrained by a substantial chain or leash not exceeding six feet in length.

For the Great Meadow:

- Dogs can be exercised off-leash if they are:
  - Properly licensed and tagged
  - Healthy and not in heat
  - Under the care of a person who is at least 18 years old
  - Not vicious, dangerous, or aggressive
  - Under voice control

For all areas of the Cliff Campus:

- Animals may not be tethered unattended on campus for any period of time nor may they be left unattended in vehicles.
- Animals may not be intentionally abandoned on campus property. Abandonment of any animal is an illegal act under California's anti-cruelty statutes.
- Animals (leashed or otherwise) are not permitted in any campus building or campus transportation vehicle (Campus Shuttle, Fleet vehicles, etc.), except for:
  - Police dogs and guide, signal, and service animals used by disabled persons (as defined by California Civil Code § 54.1 and American Disabilities Act Title II & III).
  - Special circumstances which must be approved in advance by the Chief Human Resources Officer.
- Dogs must have a valid dog license as evidence of current rabies vaccinations.
- Individuals are responsible for disposing of any fecal waste left by their animals on District property.



- Animals on campus in violation of this Procedure may be subject to apprehension and impounding by the Santa Barbara City or County department of animal control. Owners of such impounded animals are responsible for any fees or fines that may subsequently be assessed by the city or county. Student owners may also be subject to student discipline through the office of the administrator in charge of disciplinary matters.

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