Missing Student Notification

In compliance with the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, this policy sets forth procedures for the reporting, investigating and making emergency notifications regarding any currently-enrolled student who is believed to be missing.

A student will be presumed to be missing when his/her absence, of 24 hours or more, is inconsistent with his/her established patterns of behavior and the deviation cannot be readily explained.

Reporting a Possible Missing Student:

Any member of the college community, including both employees and students, who is concerned that a currently-enrolled student may be missing should immediately contact the Vice President for Student Services at 785-442-6020. Any college employee who receives a report of a possible missing student must immediately refer such report to the Vice President for Student Services. The Vice President for Student Services shall investigate all reports and determine whether a student is missing. If the Vice President for Student Services determines that a student is missing, he/she shall notify the President and the Doniphan County Sheriff's Department, and/or other appropriate law enforcement agencies, as necessary.

Missing Person Emergency Contact:

Students are able to designate a "Missing Person Emergency Contact" on the application for student housing. If a student is determined to be missing, the Vice President for Student Services shall notify the designated Missing Person Emergency Contact not later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing. This contact information is considered confidential and will only be accessible to authorized college or law enforcement personnel.

Parent/Guardian Notification for Students under 18 years of age:

If a student is under 18 years of age (and not emancipated) and is determined to be missing, the Vice President for Student Services shall notify a custodial parent or guardian not later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing.

Law Enforcement Notification:

If a student is determined to be missing, the Vice President for Student Services shall notify the Doniphan County Sheriff's Department, or other appropriate law enforcement agency, not later than 24 hours after the student is determined to be missing.