

3357:13-14-251 Consultation and Assessment Team for Student Issues

- (A) The Consultation and Assessment Team (CAT) is an evaluation and intervention team. Permanent members include the Public Safety Supervisor, the Contract Psychologist for North Central State College, the Coordinator of Specialized Supportive Services for North Central State College, and the Vice President for Learning Support and Retention. The Campus Liaison from the Office of the State Attorney General will act as legal counsel to CAT. Other members, including colleagues from Ohio State University-Mansfield, may be invited as necessary and appropriate, including when such colleagues have legitimate educational interests or when their participation is necessary to protect health and safety in connection with an emergency.
- (B) Consultation meetings are held at the request of North Central State College faculty, staff, or students who are concerned about a student's behavior that may be dangerous to self or others or is extremely disruptive. CAT meetings consist of the core members and may involve legal counsel and/or the faculty, staff, and/or students impacted by the behavior.
- (C) The CAT may also review applications from prospective students who have un-expunged felony convictions in order to assess potential risk and make recommendations regarding conditions of enrollment.
- (D) Charge
 - (1) Assess situations involving students who pose a potential risk of harm to persons or property in the college community or of substantial disruption of college activities.
 - (2) Consult with faculty, staff, and students involved in or impacted by the student's behavior.
 - (3) Coordinate the college response to violent, threatening, or significantly disruptive students.
 - (4) Make recommendations to the Vice President, Learning Support & Retention on an appropriate course of action with regard to students who are determined to pose a potential risk of harm. Recommendations should be consistent with college rules and policies.
- (E) Potential Outcomes
 - (1) Develop a specific strategy to manage the situation with regard to safety for others, safety to the student and minimize disruption to the community. CAT considerations include assessment of the potential for violence, strategies to contain disruption, resource availability and referral for the perceived core problem, accommodation that may be required by law, and setting appropriate behavioral boundaries within the existing policies and procedures.

(2) If appropriate and as deemed necessary, the team may recommend:

- (a) Suspending or denying an application for admission
- (b) Conditions for enrollment or restrictions on enrollment
- (c) Disenrollment from a course or program
- (d) Interim suspension
- (e) Administrative disenrollment
- (f) Withdrawal for medical reasons
- (g) Campus disciplinary action or legal action as appropriate

(3) Communication links will be established to keep all persons informed of unfolding events and resolutions. A team member is designated to follow each case to resolution.

(F) Contacts

Faculty and staff may contact the person below who seems the most appropriate for the situation. Any of the individuals below may call together a Consultation and Assessment Team Meeting.

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