Treasure Valley Community College

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Minors and College Courses (On Campus/Online)

Treasure Valley Community College encourages the on campus or online attendance of students who have not attained the age of eighteen years. However, to ensure the safety of all persons on campus, minors attending college courses on campus or online should be aware of the following:

- 1. Minor students must conduct themselves with the standards established in the TVCC student's rights and responsibilities policy.
- 2. Matters regarding attendance and any feedback on academic progress will be provided only to the student.
- 3. Age sixteen (16) is generally considered to be the permissible age a student may attend a College course. (ORS 341.505) However, instructors may limit enrollment to adult students only, or impose a minimum age requirement, subject to the approval of the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Instructors may allow students under the age of sixteen (16) to attend, subject to requirements set forth in the Petition for Underage Admission. Instructors who permit minors of any age to attend class are not required to make any modifications to the course requirements.
- 4. All minor students are required to follow the rules as set forth by individual departments for use of the library, gym/weight room/locker rooms, and dormitories. Specific policies shall be posted.
- 5. The Student Services Division may impose age restrictions or requirements on any college extracurricular activity, as may be deemed appropriate.
- 6. The College shall notify instructors when a minor student is enrolled in class.
- 7. Grades earned in classes will become part of the minor student's official transcript and will not be eligible for adjustment at a later date due to age when earned.
- 8. Tuition and fees assessed on the class will be under the student's name and the student will be responsible for ensuring that the account remains in good standing. The College shall be responsible for collecting any state monies owed.
- 9. All students attending TVCC, regardless of age, are protected by the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). FERPA provides students with the right to review, restrict access and seek amendment to educational records. The same law prevents TVCC from releasing any information on student records, including billing and registration information to anyone without written permission from the student on an approved TVCC form. All policies regarding grading, class attendance, registration deadline, payments on account and college procedures apply to minor students and exceptions will not be made because of age.

10. Minors and their parents and/or guardians are hereby notified that Treasure Valley Community College is an open enrollment institution and students are not subject to criminal history background checks. All minors and parents/guardians should be aware that persons with a criminal conviction(s), including offenses against minors, may be enrolled. In addition, the campus is an open campus and any person may enter campus.

All employees of Oregon higher education institutions are considered by law to be subject mandatory reporters of child abuse. Mandatory Reporting shall be done in accordance with JHFE-AR.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 419B.005-419B.050 ORS 341.290

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Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12112 (2012); 29 C.F.R. Part 1630 (2017); 28 C.F.R. Part 35 (2017).

Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. Sections 12101-12133 (2012).

Greene v. Camreta, 588 F.3d 1011 (9th Cir. 2009), vacated in part by, remanded by Camreta v. Greene, 131 S. Ct. 2020 (U.S. 2011); vacated in part, remanded by Greene v. Camreta 661 F. 3d 1201 (9th Cir. 2011) Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (2012).