

Biennial Review

Academic Year 2022 – 2024

Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations

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INTRODUCTION

About Lamar State College Orange

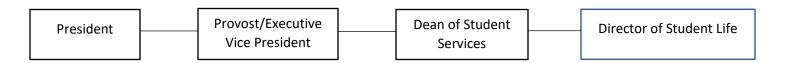
Lamar State College Orange currently has a student body of approximately 3,100. Two-year academic programs are offered in business, communication, computer science, criminal justice, education, liberal arts, theater, natural science and sociology. These academic programs lead to associate of science degrees and will transfer to four-year institutions for students seeking baccalaureate degrees. Thirty technical programs are available, leading to associate of applied science degrees, and certificates of completion. Some of these degrees include process operating and industrial technology, instrumentation, and medical office. Customized training programs to meet the needs of local business and industry are offered through the Continuing and Workforce Education Department.

Lamar State College Orange, as an institution of higher education, has a strong interest in promoting a safe environment that is conducive to acquiring and achieving academic success, and in preserving a high standard of safety and welfare for our students, faculty, and staff. While it is important to motivate and protect our students' pursuits of educational goals, it is equally essential to disseminate vital information as it relates to student conduct and behavior.

Objectives of Biennial Review Report

The 2023 Lamar State College Orange (LSCO) Biennial Review qualifies as fulfillment of the Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations. These regulations require institutions of higher education to conduct a biennial review of their alcohol and other drug programs and policies to determine program effectiveness and consistency of policy enforcement and to identify and implement any changes needed. The following review is a report of alcohol and drug prevention activities conducted from September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2025. The Biennial Review document is completed and available for review before the first day of class for the Fall semester of the current even- numbered year. A hard copy of the Biennial Review is also maintained on file at the Dean of Student Services Office

LSCO AOD Prevention Support Structure



Annual Policy Notification Process

Lamar State College Orange provides notification to all students through campus announcements at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. Within the notification, students are provided information about resources available to them. Included in this information is the Campus

Catalog and information related to rules and regulations associated with alcohol and drug policy, health risks associated with alcohol and drug usage, and information related to resources.

POLICY ENFORCEMENT & COMPLIANCE

Lamar State College Orange has adopted policies that govern alcohol and other drugs on campus. These policies include the Campus Catalog, Faculty Handbook and the Human Resources Policy Manual. The Campus Catalog provides an overview of conduct and discipline under the student services section. All students and employees are required to adhere to these policies while associated with the college. Any student or employee found in violation of any of these policies may be subject to corrective action and/or discipline including dismissal from the college.

Lamar State College Orange has adopted a student code of conduct, following the authority established by the Board of Regents of the Texas State University System, which outlines rules, regulations, rights, and responsibilities that apply to all students on and off-campus. Lamar State College Orange expects that each student become fully acquainted with all published college policies, including those related to alcohol and other drugs found on this page of the 2024-2025 catalog: https://catalog.lsco.edu/content.php?catoid=5&navoid=403, as each student is held accountable for compliance with the student code of conduct and other college policies,

Human Resources is the department solely responsible for any disciplinary actions related to faculty and staff regarding alcohol and other drugs. Below is the information provided based on their records on the number of disciplinary actions related to alcohol and other drugs.

| No. of employee disciplinary actions related to alcohol and drugs | 0 |
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The Lamar State College Orange Campus Safety and Security regularly collects data as part of their Annual Safety Report. Data relating to alcohol and other drugs for 2020-2022 can be found below.

| LSCO Annual Safety Report Data | | | |
|---|------|------|------|
| | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
| No. of Alcohol incidents on campus | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No. of Drug-related incidents on campus | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Alcohol & Other Drug Violations

Below is the data reported from the Dean of Students Services Office on student Alcohol and other drug related incidents and sanctions.

| Dean of Student Services Alcohol and Other Drug Related Incidents |
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| Drug and Alcohol-Related Incidents – 8/01/2020 – 7/31/2022 |

| Liquor Law Violations Referrals | 0 |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Alcohol/D.U.I Arrest | 0 |
| Drug Law Violations – Arrests | 0 |
| Drug Law Violations - Referrals | 0 |
| Totals | 0 |

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PREVENTION & INTERVENTION EFFORTS

Lamar State College Orange provides opportunities and resources for students in the campus community.

Referral programs to off-campus treatment providers for students

Students can visit with the Advising Center or Student Life Staff to receive assistance with campus and community resources. The Offices of Advising and Student Life can provide student with community resources or provide information related to Timely Care.

| Community Partner | Services Offered |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Alcohol & Drug Abuse Council | Screening, Assessment and Referral |
| Recovery Council of Southeast Texas | Education and Treatment Services |
| Rehabs.org | Substance Abuse information & support |
| Spindletop Addiction Treatment & Recovery | Treatment and Recovery |
| TAN Healthcare - Orange | Behavioral and Mental Health Services |
| Timely Care | Health & Wellness Platform |
| Samaritan Counseling Center - Orange | Substance Abuse Resources |

Substance-Free Options on Campus

Lamar State College Orange hosts a variety of substance-free events and programming on campus throughout the school year

Student Activities

The LSCO department of Student Activities specializes in bringing programming to students outside of the classroom setting. The goal of the Student Activities office is to provide students with programs and services that enhance education and empower students to become more engaged on campus and in the community.

Recreational Sports

The department of Student Life offers a variety of recreational activities for student participation. The student center facilities offer a fitness center, basketball courts, weight room, racquetball

courts, and a game room. Recreational Sports also offer a variety of programming opportunities for students. Students can participate in intramural sports throughout the academic year. Programs and events are regularly posted through campus announcements and on social media.

Student Organizations

Student organizations are a great way to meet like-minded students at LSCO. Many of our student organizations offer membership opportunities in one or more groups: professional, religious, academic, honor, or activity. Participation in student organization activities enhances the education of students, and students are strongly encouraged to affiliate with the organization(s) of their choice and participate in the programs.

Timely Care

Lamar State College Orange has partnered with TimelyCare to provide care to students. Through TimelyCare, students have 24/7 access to virtual care services. This service is provided at no additional cost to students. As part of LSCO's partnership with TimelyCare, students have access to services in TimelyCare, including:

- TalkNow: 24/7, on-demand emotional support to talk about anything, including anxiety, relationships, depression, and school-related stressors.
- Scheduled Counseling: Choose the day, time, and mental health provider that best works for you. (9 visits per year)
- Health Coaching: Develop healthy lifestyle behaviors, including nutrition, sleep habits, time management, and mindfulness.
- Psychiatry: Appointments are available through referrals.
- Self-Care Content: self-care content, including yoga and meditation sessions, as well as group conversations with our providers on a variety of health and well-being topics.
- Basic Needs Support: Access to low or reduced-cost community resources, including food and housing assistance, transit support, childcare, and finances.

Lifesavers

The Ron E. Lewis Library provides Lifesavers programs for the campus community. Lifesavers programs are one-hour workshops on a variety of topics geared toward giving students the tools they need to succeed. These sessions are offered face-to-face and virtually to meet students where they are.

AlcoholEdu and Vector Solutions

Lamar State College Orange implemented AlcoholEdu in the fall 2020 semester. AlcoholEdu is web-based program that satisfies the Drug-Free Schools and Colleges mandate. This program, offered by Everfi is designed to educate students on alcohol and other drugs as well as Title IX topics. The program, AlcoholEdu for College: Primary and Sexual Assault Prevention for

Undergraduates is offered to all new incoming freshmen and transfer students. From Fall 2020 to Fall 2022, 2,792 students competed the training program.

In Spring 2023, Lamar State College Orange implemented student training programs through Vector Solutions. Similar to AlcoholEdu, Vector Solutions assists students in completing alcohol and drug, Title IX, and wellness and safety courses.

Students are sent an email with the link to the program after the 12th class day and given one month to complete it. If not completed, then they are reminded via email until the program has been completed. Students who do not complete the required training program have a hold placed on their student account and are not allowed to register for classes for the upcoming semester. Once the student completes the training, the hold is removed.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES FOR NEXT BIENNIUM

- Provide reporting options through the campus Gator Pass. The campus Gator Pass is the
 alert system at Lamar State College Orange. If there is a behavioral or student concern
 received through an alert, the alert will be directed to the appropriate personnel for
 outreach.
- The Student Life department will host community resource fairs to provide resources for members of the campus community.
- Expand information related to TimelyCare Services on campus. TimelyCare offers several programs for students and raising awareness about these services can assist students. Currently, LSCO has 141 students registered on the platform.
- Expand campus programming to address alcohol and drug awareness, issues, and resources. This include collaboration with campus partners.
- Provide updated supplemental information to students throughout the academic year.
- Collaborate with other institutions within the Texas State University System and to
 provide students with opportunities outside of the Lamar State College Orange campus.
 This provides the LSCO campus with additional perspectives of other campuses and how
 they provide support to their students.