



Administrative Regulation

Chapter 3 – General Institution

AR 3900 SPEECH: TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER

Disruptive Demonstrations

The Santa Monica Community College District exists to educate the members of the community. All other considerations are secondary. The Board of Trustees will not infringe on anyone's constitutional rights. However, the right to dissent and to protest must not be confused as a right to disrupt the operations of the college. No individual or group can be permitted to infringe on the right of others to secure an education.

Therefore, disruption of the operation of the college will not be tolerated. Demonstrations which disrupt operation of the college will be controlled as quickly as possible. The Santa Monica Police Department may be requested to assist the Santa Monica College Police Department in the restoration of order. The primary consideration in such action will be the safety of the students and the staff. Any persons, students, staff, or "nonstudents" who use force or the threat of force, or illegal acts to disrupt school operations, will be subject to suspension, dismissal, and/or arrest. Any person who violated any law on District property will be subject to similar appropriate action.

References:

Education Code Sections 66301 and 76120

Approved: August 2004 **Updated:** November 2018

(Replaces SMC AR 2423)