

Board Policy

Chapter 7 – Human Resources

BP 7600 SMC POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Board of Trustees has established a police department under the supervision of one Chief of Police, who shall report directly to the Superintendent/President or designee. The purpose of the department is to enforce the law on or near the campus and other grounds or properties owned, operated, controlled, or administered by the District.

District police officers shall be employed as members of the classified service but shall, when duly sworn, be peace officers as defined by law. Prior to employment, they shall satisfy the training requirements set out in Penal Code Sections 830 et seq.

The District shall establish minimum qualifications of employment for the Chief of Police including, but not limited to, prior employment as a peace officer or completion of a peace officer training course approved by the Commission on Peace Officers' Standards and Training.

The District shall ensure that every member of the police department first employed before July 1, 1999 satisfies the requirements of state law regarding qualifications for continued employment.

Every member of the police department shall be issued a suitable identification card and badge bearing words "Santa Monica Community College Police."

The SMC Chief of Police shall regularly review and update "Manual."

The Superintendent/President or designee, in cooperation with the Chief of Police, shall issue such other regulations as may be necessary for the administration of the police department.

References: Education Code Sections 72330 et seq.;

Government Code Sections 3300 et seq.

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