

# 6.2.1.p.1. Procedure: Southeastern Technical College Attendance



## **Rationale**

It is essential that educational programs meet requirements and standards necessary for successful employment in business and industry. In view of the intensive nature of educational programs, it is necessary for every student to be present and on time every day for all classes as is required in the work environment.

## **Procedure**

Class attendance is a very important aspect of a student's success. Being absent from class prevents students from receiving the full benefit of a course and also interrupts the learning process. Southeastern Technical College considers both tardiness and leaving early as types of absenteeism. Responsibility for class attendance rests with the student. Regular and punctual attendance at all scheduled classes is required for student success. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

Instructors have the right to give unannounced quizzes/assignments. Students that miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0. Students who stop attending class, but do not formally withdraw, may receive a grade of F and face financial aid repercussions in upcoming semesters.

Instructors are responsible for determining whether missed work may be made up and the content and dates for makeup work is at the discretion of the instructor.

Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an F in a course.

## **Additional Provisions**

### ***Health Science and Cosmetology Programs***

Requirements for instructional hours within Health Science and Cosmetology programs reflect the rules of respective licensure boards and/or accrediting agencies. Therefore, these programs have stringent attendance procedures. Each program's attendance policy is published in the program's handbook and/or syllabus which specify the number of allowable absences. All provisions for required make-up work in the classroom or clinical experiences are at the discretion of the instructor.

## ***Commercial Truck Driving and Learning Support***

Due to the structure of Commercial truck Driving and Learning Support classes, the attendance guidelines are published on the syllabus which will specify the number of allowable absences. All provisions for required make-up work in the classroom are at the discretion of the instructor.

### ***Online Attendance***

It is the student's responsibility to be academically engaged in each class by completing course related activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an F in a course. Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

### ***Special Needs***

Students with documented special needs may be provided with an individualized Instructional Plan with specifications for scheduled instructional time. It is the student's responsibility to inform the Special Needs Specialist as students and instructors are required to have documented evidence prior to receiving or allowing special accommodations. See the STC Catalog and Student Handbook, Student Affairs section for further information regarding special needs.

### ***Specific Absences***

Provisions for Instructional Time missed because of documented absences due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

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