

place. The student and the student's parents/legal guardians will be given an opportunity to meet with the Vice President for Student Life or designee. All pertinent information will be reviewed with the student and the student will have the opportunity to respond to all information discussed and may present additional information, including an independent psychiatric or psychological evaluation.

Missing Student

Most missing student reports occur in the University environment as a result of a student changing their normal routine and failing to inform roommates or friends of this change. Upon receiving a missing student report, the University Police Department will conduct a preliminary investigation in order to verify the report and to determine the circumstances which exist relating to the reported missing student. If the student is not located or otherwise accounted for during the preliminary investigation, the Furman Police are required to place the missing person on a national police alert system (NCIC), and notify local law enforcement agencies. Students can designate a contact person who will be notified within 24 hours if a student is believed to be missing by visiting MyFurman online. A parent/guardian will also be notified if the missing student is under the age of 18, or it is necessary in the course of the investigation. Contact information is confidential and will only be accessible to authorized campus officials. Missing student reports should be referred to the University Police at 864.294.2111.

Peaceable Assembly

Peaceable assembly is allowed on campus with approval from the University Police who can assist with identifying appropriate venues/locations for such activities. At the same time, it is affirmed that this University should not be expected to provide a platform for persons who would be obscene, who would advocate immorality or who would incite to violence. Such persons are offensive to the purposes of a liberal arts college that aspires to academic excellence, and the University will not be a platform for such purposes.

One of the marks of a vital university is freedom of inquiry and expression. Indeed, such a freedom is the mark of a free and democratic society. Education, as contrasted with indoctrination, must provide the student with a wide spectrum of views on vital issues. It is the responsibility of the University, as well as one of its purposes, to help the student learn to distinguish fact from myth, objectivity from bias, tolerance from intolerance. The student should learn to think rationally and reach valid conclusions. The student who is not exposed to varying views on an issue may be denied opportunity to learn the elements of rational thinking.

Consequently, the student could miss one of the most important aims of education. Only in a spirit of free inquiry can the student be prepared to assume the responsibilities of constructive citizenship. It is further affirmed that the appearance of guest speakers does not imply approval or endorsement of the views expressed by the speakers, either by the sponsoring group or the University. The University will not serve as a legal shield for speakers in any matter related to their statements or actions on the campus.

Violence or the use of force is not anticipated on the Furman campus. However, in the event either should occur, all members of the Furman student body, faculty and administration should be fully aware of the policies enumerated below:

1. The right to peaceable protest will be protected but students or others on campus are not guaranteed and will not be permitted the right to interfere with orderly administrative and educational processes. There shall be no use of violence, force, obscene or indecorous language or conduct in protest or demonstrations.
2. The right of approved speakers to present their views on campus without heckling or disturbance will be protected.
3. Approved business, professional, industrial, governmental or other recruiters or representatives will be permitted to carry out mutual objectives on campus without handicap or prevention.
4. Any Furman student found responsible for violating any of these policies will be referred to the student conduct process and/or arrested.
5. Anyone who is not a student or employee of Furman University will be denied entrance to the campus or required to depart from the campus if it is reasonably expected that the person will violate or advocate violation of any of these policies.
6. If it becomes necessary to call upon civil authorities for assistance in maintaining order on campus, these civil authorities will be obeyed.

Posting of Signs and Banners

The University recognizes the need for registered student groups and other University sanctioned organizations and individuals to communicate their activities, services, and ideas to the campus community, as well as the need to provide a visually pleasing and organized setting for the campus community to receive such communication.

Only enrolled students, registered student organizations and campus departments may post signs or banners on campus. All items to be posted **must** have the name of the individual student or registered student organization and/or department **clearly identified as the sponsor** or the words “sponsored by (name of organization)” on each item. Chalking is only allowed to advertise specific events, can only occur one week prior to the event, and must be removed the day after the event.

The University retains the right to deny posting of any materials on campus. Questions about any part of this policy should be referred to the Office of Student Life.

The following guidelines are intended to outline the procedures by which such organizations and individuals can display and promote campus-related events and programs.

1. Promotion of illegal drugs or any other illegal activities in text, graphic or any other form is prohibited. Promotion of alcohol is prohibited except when previously approved by the Assistant Vice President for Student Development or his/her designee.
2. Individuals or groups found damaging or tampering with another group’s publicity prior to an event’s occurrence, for any reason, unless otherwise instructed to remove the

publicity, will potentially lose the privilege of posting publicity through that medium in the future and may be charged with a student conduct violation.

3. Materials should not overlap or conceal other items. Persons who post are asked to be considerate of others who have posted. Posting is on a first-come, first-served basis, and is dependent upon space limitations.
4. Signs may be posted on bulletin boards in any academic building. Signs posted elsewhere in academic buildings will be removed.
5. Chalking may only occur on exterior sidewalks or roads not commonly used for vehicle traffic. Chalking building walls, interiors of buildings, or roads commonly used for traffic is not allowed.
6. Signs cannot be posted on exterior doors, windows, floors or painted surfaces.
7. Signs or flyers to be posted in the Trone Student Center stairwell mezzanine or in the PalaDen must be brought to the Information Center in the Hill Atrium and left with the attendant to be displayed. Flyers/signs must be 8-1/2" x 11" or 11" x 14" in size, and will be posted for two weeks, or until the end of the event, whichever comes first. Only one flyer per organization per event may be displayed in each area. Digital flyers may be submitted to the Assistant Director of Student Organizations & the Trone Student Center for posting on digital displays.
8. Signs or flyers posted in campus housing must be approved by Housing and Residence Life before being posted and should conform to all of the guidelines of the Posting of Flyers Policy found in the Student Handbook. These flyers may only be hung on gripper strips.
9. All signs and chalking should be removed by the originating party within 24 hours after the event has concluded.
10. Posting of signs or banners in the dining hall is available at the banner area and the bulletin boards at the entrance of the dining hall. All signs and banners will be taken down for special events at the manager's discretion. Additional regulations include the following:
 - o No on-table promotions are allowed in any Dining Services operation except for Dining Services events.
 - o Informational flyers may be posted on the bulletin boards located at the entrances to the dining hall.
 - o Banners may not be any longer than floor level of the dining hall mezzanine.
 - o Banners may not be hung on railings.
 - o All banners must be dated, indicating the day the banner is hung. Banners will be removed after 7 days. If an individual and/or group wishes to keep the banner, it is the responsibility of the individual and/or group to return to the Dining Hall within the 7-day time period to take down the banner. Writing "do not move" on the banner does not grant the banner permanent residence.
 - o Dining Services is not responsible for hanging banners or deciding which banners are hung in which spot.
 - o Dining Services is not responsible for any lost or stolen banners.
 - o When setting up or removing a banner, all trash must be cleaned up by individual and/or group.

Violation of the Posting Policy may result in the removal of the items. Additionally, sponsoring individuals and/or organizations may be subject to follow-up with the Vice President for Student Life and/or designee. Responsibility for interpreting the University Posting Policy shall reside with the Vice President for Student Life and/or designee.

Responsibility for Student Properties

Although precaution is taken to maintain adequate security, the University cannot assume responsibility for the loss of or damage to student possessions. Students or their parents are encouraged to carry appropriate insurance to cover such losses.

When students are driving personal vehicles in relationship to University activities and are involved in an accident, the student's personal automobile insurance will be the primary insurance. This is an insurance industry standard applicable to all personal vehicles used for business reasons. The University's automobile insurance will act as secondary coverage if limits exceed the coverage on a student's vehicle.

Risk Management/Off-Campus Programs and Release Forms

As the University's engaged learning programs have grown, so have off campus activities supporting these programs. As described in File 367.1 of the University Policies and Procedures, insurance coverage is in place for programs that take place on or off campus. Risks involved with off campus programs are greater and more difficult to control, and additional precautions are needed to best protect the University, its students, faculty, and staff. Program directors are responsible for assessing the risks involved with the management of their off campus programs and for collecting and maintaining files of Consent, General Release, and Indemnity Agreements according to the following guidelines. Risk Management and off campus programs are described in File 367.5 of the University Policies and Procedures.

1. Consent, General Release, and Indemnity Agreements are not required for faculty and staff travel. Furman employees are covered by insurance and this coverage includes General Liability, Foreign Liability, Excess Liability, and Workers' Compensation insurance.
2. Consent, General Release, and Indemnity Agreements are required any time a student leaves campus as part of some Furman-related course, organization, or activity. This includes, but is not limited to, internships, off-campus research, courses involved in service learning, and class field trips. In addition, this applies to activities that are not officially sponsored by the University if the off-campus activity or event is directed by or required by a University official/employee.
3. Signatory Requirements:
 - o Consent, General Requirement, and Indemnity Agreements for students traveling to other countries, and all students under the age of 18 will require the signatures of parents or guardians.