



*Lorain County
Community College*


Drug-Free Schools and Communities Biennial Review

Period of Review:
January 2021 – December 2022

Lorain County Community College has conducted a Biennial Review of its Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program "DAAPP". The period of review is from January 2021 through December 2022. The review concluded on December 5, 2022.

The Biennial Review Report will be maintained by the Vice President for Administrative Services.


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BIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) requires 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 to either. Ideally, this review is a written report that compiles information required by the regulations.

The U.S. Department of Education's regulations (EDGAR Part 86.100 [b]) do not dictate what a biennial review should include, how it should be conducted, or the format in which it should be presented. Campuses are given latitude in preparing biennial review reports to accommodate varying campus types (i.e., public, private, two- and four-year) and cultures and to honor the individuality of each institution. The required review has two objectives:

- 1.) To determine the effectiveness of and to implement any needed changes to the alcohol and other drugs (AOD) prevention program.
- 2.) To ensure that campuses enforce the disciplinary sanctions for violating standards of conduct consistently.

Lorain County Community College must certify that it has adopted and implemented a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees. Lorain County Community College is unequivocally opposed to the misapplication of lawful drugs, the possession and use of unlawful drugs, and the abuse of alcohol. The policy and programs are designed to identify problems at the earliest stage, motivate the affected individuals to seek help, and to direct the individual toward the best assistance available. Lorain County Community College conducts a biennial review in even-numbered years. The next review will be performed at the end of the calendar year 2024.

The Biennial Review process was concluded in December 2022. Data for the review was from January 2021 through December 2022 and was collected from employee and student policies, departmental records, and College websites. The information was then reviewed and assessed by the committee members.

BIENNIAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Valerie Fultz	Interim Director of Financial Aid
Charlene Dellipoala	CARE Center for Addition and Recovery
David Hatcher	Manager of Campus Security
Rob Loftis	Faculty Senate President
Jonathan Volpe	Vice President for Administrative Services & Treasurer
Keith Brown	Director of Human Resources
Kenneth Collins	Director of Campus Security
Marisa Vernon White	Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Services
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Kionna Mcintosh-Pharms	Manager of Holistic Student Services (ARC, CARE, Commodore Cupboard/Closet, and Student Services Navigator) & Staff Council President
Luis Hernandez	Student Senate President

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ARRESTS

The charts below depict Lorain County Community College's number of alcohol and other drug arrests and referrals for disciplinary action as reported in the Lorain County Community College 2022 Jeanne Clery Annual Security Report. This data consolidates statistics from pp. 45-64. Click [here](#) to review the report.

Elyria Campus, 1005 Abbe Road North Elyria, Ohio 44035

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals	Year	On-Campus Property	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	1	0
	2020	3	0	0
	2021	0	1	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0

**LCCC Lorain Learning Center at City Center, 201 West Erie, Lorain,
Ohio 44052**

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals	Year	On-Campus Property	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0

**LCCC Community Center at Lorain High School, 2600 Ashland Ave., Lorain,
Ohio 44052**

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals	Year	On-Campus Property	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0

LCCC Wellington Center, 151 Commerce Drive Wellington, Ohio 44090

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals	Year	On-Campus Property	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0

LCCC University Partnership Ridge Campus (UPRC), 32121 Lorain Road North Ridgeville, Ohio 44039

Arrests and Disciplinary Referrals	Year	On-Campus Property	Non-Campus Property	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0
	2021	0	0	0

TOBACCO-FREE CAMPUS

LCCC is committed to promoting a healthy lifestyle and workplace environment and will support administrators, faculty, staff, and students in their efforts to reduce or discontinue the use of tobacco products. On August 1, 2017, the College adopted a 100% [Tobacco-Free Policy](#) that supports a healthy environment for all. The primary emphasis of this approach is to focus on the elimination of tobacco use on all College property with cessation left up to the individual. As a tobacco-free campus, this encompasses the use of all tobacco products including e-cigarettes and chewing tobacco at all LCCC campuses.

To assist our campus community with compliance with the College's Tobacco-Free Campus policy, [LCCC's Tobacco-Free webpage](#) lists numerous College, national and local community resources to assist individuals with the cessation of using tobacco products.

PROCEDURE

The Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Regulations (EDGAR Part 86 TITLE 34 – EDUCATION, PART 86_DRUG, AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION) note that all colleges and universities are required to sign a certification to assure the federal government that they are doing their part to fight drugs and alcohol. Lorain County Community College values the health and safety of its students and employees and therefore supports local, state, and federal laws concerning illegal drugs. In this effort of compliance and support, Lorain County Community College has developed and implemented a Campus Drug-Free Program and has adopted a Drug-free school and alcohol prevention procedure. The College acknowledges that substance abuse is a serious, yet treatable condition that affects the productive lives of students and employees. Furthermore, the College pledges to work collaboratively with programs designed to reduce and eradicate the abuse of alcohol and drugs.

Lorain County Community College is a drug-free institution. Students who unlawfully possess, use, manufacture, distribute, and/or dispense a controlled substance on the college-owned or college-controlled property will have appropriate sanctions imposed. This may include disciplinary or remedial action, expulsion, and/or referral for prosecution under applicable local, state, or federal law. [LCCC's Code of Conduct Policy](#) contains more information on sanctions and remedial actions.

Lorain County Community College is a drug-free workplace. For employees of the College, violations of College policy may impose progressive disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or termination.

Please see the [LCCC Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Information](#) website for more information.

PROGRAMMING & RESOURCES

Lorain County Community College strives to provide the best product, services, and environment for its students and employees. The College is committed to a drug and alcohol-free campus.

The following provides information about Lorain County Community College departments directly involved in working with students, and the programs and measures implemented throughout the College to prevent the use of alcohol or illicit drugs.

Athletics

This information is provided to student-athletes through the LCCC Intercollegiate Sports Student-Athlete Handbook:

“Transportation or consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited while involved in ANY LCCC-sponsored activity.

Under no circumstances should student-athletes consume any alcoholic beverage or illegal drug while engaged in a college activity. This includes the duration of away competitions and overnight stays. Breaking this rule will result in immediate dismissal from the Sports team, forfeiture of possible future team membership, and potential disciplinary action according to the Lorain County Community College Code of Conduct.

Unlawful possession, use, distribution, or manufacture of any illegal drug and/or controlled substance is a violation and subject to the college’s disciplinary process and sanctions.”

Counseling Services and The Advocacy Resource Center (ARC)

The [LCCC Counseling](#) office provides crisis intervention services and referrals for any student, faculty member, or staff member. Licensed counselors and social workers are available on campus during business hours, and the [Advocacy Resource Center \(ARC\)](#) connects students to community counseling resources that fit their specific needs. Students in need of personal counseling support are encouraged to call the Advocacy Resource Center (ARC) at (440) 366-4ARC (4272). Short-term Personal counseling on a referral basis is also available.

The ARC, in coordination with Campus Security, also connects students with crisis hotlines and text lines after hours, as well as in crisis situations. Several members of LCCC’s Campus Security team have been trained in Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) concepts by attending the 40-hour comprehensive course. Campus Security is also trained in crisis management and can assist with mental health first aid, providing additional support to the ARC and student service teams. In addition, LCCC encourages all students, faculty, and staff to download the We Care App, which is an LCCC-specific

mobile resource that connects individuals to suicide prevention resources and crisis supports for themselves and others.

CARE Center for Addiction and Recovery

The [CARE Center](#) (Caring Advocates for Recovery Education) provides free services for students dealing with addiction. The CARE Center first opened in the spring of 2015.

The CARE Center's mission statement is to assist any Lorain County Community College student, faculty, staff, or community member who is in recovery from addiction; either know someone in recovery, or has any questions with regard to addiction.

The CARE Center is a partnership with The LCADA Way (Lorain County Alcohol and Drug Abuse) and the ADAS Board (Alcohol and Drug and Addiction Services) of Lorain County. These agencies have collaborated to provide prevention programs and support services for controlled substance misuse. They help those dealing with addiction issues or coping with family members who battle addiction.

All services are free to the campus community. The CARE Center offers many programs that support our students, faculty, or staff, such as one-on-one counseling, peer support services, weekly AA (Alcohol Anonymous), ACA (Adult Children of Alcoholics) meetings, smoking cessation counseling, and the Students in Recovery (SIR) Club.

The CARE Center also has a quiet room that can be used for one-on-one counseling sessions, a quiet place to decompress, or just a study room. The one-on-one meetings can be held virtually or over the phone.

All services at the center are free of charge to Lorain County Community College and University Partnership students, faculty, staff, or community member who is seeking help. Call (440) 366-4848 for more information.

The CARE Center is led by Charlene Dellipoala, MSW, and licensed social worker. Counselors are available to meet with students by appointment. Please call the CARE Center at (440) 366-4848 or stop in to make an appointment.

Naloxone (Narcan) Availability

Lorain County Community College has partnered with Lorain County Public Health to have Narcan available on its campuses in case an individual experiences an overdose while at one of the properties. The institution has also hosted training in the use of Narcan for employees.

The Wellington Learning Center (151 Commerce Drive, Wellington) is designated as one of the Narcan distribution sites available in Lorain County.

For more information on preventing opioid overdoses and resources in Lorain County go to this [link](#).

Financial Aid

In general, a student who is receiving financial aid and has a federal or state drug conviction may be disqualified from receiving federal aid. During the application process, the student certifies that he/she is eligible and does not have a drug-related conviction. Any conviction, which was reversed, set aside, or removed from the student's record, does not count, nor does one receive when the student was a juvenile unless he/she was tried as an adult. Students who have been convicted of a drug-related offense may complete an acceptable rehabilitation program to reinstate their financial aid eligibility.

Human Resources

The Office of Human Resources is responsible for the administration of policies and procedures, and services to employees of the College. Communications are distributed to all full- and part-time employees, such as policies and services regarding alcohol and other drug use prevention and treatment options as offered through the College's Employee Assistance Program provider, Moore Counseling & Mediation Services.

The College currently offers employee assistance services to full and part-time employees through Moore Counseling & Mediation Services. Services include but are not limited to, mental health issues, drug/alcohol abuse, stress, referrals for legal, financial, and elder care, and guidance for work-related conflicts.

Campus Security

The LCCC Campus Security Department is committed to providing a safe environment for the entire College. Campus Security is staffed with full- and part-time non-sworn security officers. Each officer receives specialized training to assist in the completion of his or her duties and all officers are trained in CPR and First Aid. The LCCC Campus Security Department can be reached by dialing 4444 from any campus phone or dialing (440) 366-4444 from any non-campus phone.

EFFECTIVENESS AND ANALYSIS

Lorain County Community College recognizes the difficulty in assessing the outcomes and effectiveness of campus programming. Students often work full-time or have family obligations outside of school and do not engage in campus activities. Additionally, participation in Drug and Alcohol abuse programs varies. Over the next two years, the Biennial Review Committee will continue to evaluate ways to effectively track how many campus community members are reached regarding drug and alcohol abuse programming and whether the information that is being provided is helpful to our members and influencing behavior. The opportunity remains to develop better assessment and

evaluation tools to effectively determine how impactful the programming is and to identify areas for additional review and improvement.

The analysis of the College's policies and procedures concerning alcohol and drug use rests largely with Campus Security and Human Resources. Campus Security is responsible for gathering reports of student conduct violations made by College officials and the Office of Human Resources is responsible for employee conduct violations related to alcohol and drugs.

Campus Security and Human Resources summarize sanctions imposed for reported student or employee incidents involving alcohol and drugs that have occurred on campus or as part of the Institution's activities.

EVALUATION

The Review Committee will continue to review the effectiveness of the College's alcohol and drug policies, related programs, services, and enforcement practices. Campus housing is not available at Lorain County Community College; therefore, there is a relatively low incidence of alcohol and other controlled substance abuse on the campuses. All departments work collaboratively to ensure that students and employees are provided information and resources that promote a safe and healthy environment that attempts to mitigate risk as it pertains to alcohol and other drug use.

Currently, the alcohol and drug prevention program at Lorain County Community College appears to be effective as evidenced by:

- A strong statement is that Lorain County Community College is an alcohol and drug-free environment and that all violations are taken seriously and addressed per the College policy and local/state/federal laws.
- Counseling Services through the Advocacy Resource Center (ARC) are available to students and offer free confidential counseling. When needed, an appropriate referral is suggested.
- The College currently offers employee assistance services to full and part-time employees and their eligible dependents through the EAP program, Moore Counseling & Mediation Services.
- After review by the Committee, employee and student sanctions have been applied consistently.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Lorain County Community College recognizes the importance of a drug and alcohol abuse prevention program and the need to develop effective programs and policies to mitigate this issue. Regarding programming efforts, the Biennial Review Committee recommends the following items for further consideration:

- Continue to offer relevant and current programs to ensure institutional compliance and keep incidents of alcohol and drug on campus to a minimum.
- Continue to partner with community organizations to try and reduce alcohol and drug abuse across Lorain County including Lorain County Public Health.
- Continue to utilize Maxient, the College's centralized system for managing conduct records, for student tracking and reporting drug and alcohol violations and sanctions
- Regularly review for consistency the violation, sanction recommended, and the rationale for the sanction.
- Produce the next Biennial Review Report in compliance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act no later than December 31, 2024