34.01 Environment, Safety and Security

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Policy Summary

The Texas A&M University System (system) is committed to providing a safe and healthy educational and working environment. This policy outlines the roles and responsibilities for assurance that each system member develop and maintain appropriate environment, safety, and security programs that protect students, faculty, staff, visitors, and the surrounding community.

Policy

1. GENERAL

Integral to the teaching, research, and service mission of each system member is the maintenance of a campus and workplace that is free of recognized hazards and in accordance with applicable institutional, local, state, and federal environment, safety, and security requirements and best practices.

2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1. As provided by Executive Order GWB 95-8 (Relating to Workplace Safety and Health of State Employees, Citizens Served, and Preservation of State Property), the system and its members will develop and maintain comprehensive health and safety programs.
- 2.2. Each member CEO will provide resources sufficient to manage the environment, safety, and security risks inherent to member operations.
- 2.3. System Environment, Safety and Security (ESS) will provide the following supportive services for system members:
 - a) Develop, implement, monitor, and review system-wide environment, safety, and security programs;
 - b) Assist in the development and implementation of each member's environment, safety and security program;
 - c) Develop or enhance environment, safety and security related education and training opportunities throughout the system;
 - d) Provide consultative environment, safety and security related services to the A&M system and its members;
 - e) Assist member personnel and functionally responsible offices in overcoming barriers to achieve the highest level of environment safety and security program performance;

- f) Collaborate with members to develop innovative and effective ways to mitigate risks;
- g) Conduct and direct environment, safety and security reviews and investigations.
- 2.4. ESS has unrestricted access to all operations, records, information, property, and personnel to fulfil their responsibilities and will have the independence necessary to be able to carry out duties effectively without fear of retaliation.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Executive Order GWB 95-8 Relating to Workplace Safety and Health of State Employees, Citizens Served, and Preservation of State Property

Member Rule Requirements

A rule is not required to supplement this policy.

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