

**CAMPUS CARRY
TASK FORCE
ORGANIZATIONAL
MEETING**

SEPTEMBER 8, 2016

Campus Carry Task Force Members

- Task Force Chair – Dr. Vicki Stanfield
- President – Dr. A. Rodney Allbright
- Executive Staff – Dr. Clen Burton, Jim Tagliareni, Mary Ann Amelang
- Childcare Center – Anna Raumaker
- Classified Staff Council – Sally Austin
- Collegiate High School – Sandy Belcher
- Communications – Chris Carpenter
- Cosmetology – Jamie Hunsucker
- Dual Credit – Theresa Jones
- Emergency Management – Trish McIntosh, Bill Roy
- Facilities – Charlie King
- Faculty Senate – Sean Skipworth
- Gulf Coast Safety Institute – Cindy Lewis
- Human Resources – Lonica Bush
- Information Technology Services- Courtney Moore
- Institutional Research- Dr. Teri Walker
- Instruction – Dr. Steve Sewell and Dr. Carla Boone
- Library – Kathryn Park
- North County – Christina Bergvall
- Police – Chief Chapa, Lt. Meyers, Lt. Hamm, Sgt. Walker
- Professional Staff Council – Matthew Busby
- Purchasing – Sonja Blinka
- Senior Program – Alicia Vardeman-Aulds
- Students – Samuel Parada, SGA President
- Student Services – Kris Kimbark, Kelly Musick, Leanne Downton

Charge to the Task Force

The task force will help develop reasonable rules based upon input obtained from campus constituents that are compliant with Senate Bill 11 and address the safety and welfare of students and the campus community.

Campus Carry Law

June 13, 2015 Governor Greg Abbott signed into law Senate Bill No. 11 (S.B. 11), also known as the "campus carry" law. S.B. 11 amends Section 411.2031 of the Texas Government Code to allow carrying of handguns by license holders on **Community College campuses beginning on August 1, 2017.**

While the College President may not generally prohibit license holders from carrying concealed weapons on the campus, the law gives public Colleges some discretion to regulate campus carry including **designating certain areas on campus where concealed handguns are prohibited.** The law authorizes the College to adopt and receive approval of its campus carry policy from the Board of Trustees by August 1, 2017.

Campus Carry vs. Open Carry

What does the Legislation say?

Campus Carry

Effective August 1, 2016 (4 year institutions); August 1, 2017 (2 year institutions); individuals who have a valid Texas handgun license may carry a concealed handgun on college campuses in certain areas so long as the area has not been designated by the school as a weapons free area. A person must be at least 21 years of age, undergo training and meet other statutory requirements to obtain a concealed handgun license in the State of Texas.

See Senate Bill 11; Texas Government Code 411.2031(b); Texas Penal Code 46.03(a)(1)(B)

Open Carry

Effective January 1, 2016, holders of a handgun license may now carry their handgun visibly in a waist belt, holster or a should holster, but they may not openly carry on or in a college campus or building and they may not openly carry on any public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, parking garage or other parking area of the college.

See House Bill 910; Texas Penal Code 46.15(b)(6)

Open Carry vs. Concealed Carry



Open Carry is prohibited for all persons,
including license holders, on campus
premises

Gun-Free Zone Designation

Senate Bill 11 allows the College District President to identify areas where concealed handguns are prohibited.

Considerations:

1. Nature of the Student Population
2. Specific Safety Considerations - Locations where extreme psychological and/or emotional stress might temporarily impair judgment?
3. Uniqueness of the Campus Environment - Where negligent handling of a weapon would result in potential catastrophic harm?
4. What similar events and/or locations exist where a license to carry (LTC), formerly concealed handgun license (CHL) holder cannot carry under current law?

Guns Currently Prohibited

The following premises are currently prohibited by state law:

- Polling places on the day of elections and while early voting is in progress
- Meetings of governmental entities that are subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act, if the entity chooses to post a notice under Penal Code § 30.06
- Intercollegiate Athletic Events

Campus Carry Task Force Activity Timeline

Activity	Timeline
Task Force convened to gather input from campus constituencies	August 2016
Survey distributed to students, staff, and faculty	September 2016
Input gathering via constituency groups meetings and open forums	September to December 2016
Informational presentation at spring convocation	January 2017
Task Force provides recommendations to President regarding reasonable rules, regulations or other provisions.	February 2017
President establishes reasonable rules, regulations or other provisions.	March 2017
Rules submitted to Board of Trustees for review and approval	April 2017
Distribute notifications and post signage regarding campus carry on COM campuses	May to July 2017
Rules go into effect	August 1, 2017

SUB-COMMITTEES

Data Gathering

Dr. Vicki Stanfield - Vice President for Student Services
 Chief Sylvia Chapa - Chief of Police
 Lonica Bush - Director of Diversity & Equity
 Trish McIntosh - Emergency Management Coordinator

- Review other colleges/universities websites
- Create e-survey
- Forums

Activity	Date/Time	Location
President and Executive Staff	TBA	TBA
Faculty Senate	October 6 at 12:30 p.m.	LRC-257
Student Government Association	September 6 at 12:30 p.m.	Admin. Boardroom
Classified Council	September 13 at 2 p.m.	LRC-131
Professional Council	TBA	TBA
Student Forum (Combined with Student Concerns Forum)	October 13 from 12:30-1:30 p.m.	LRC-131
Faculty and Staff Forum	TBA from 3-4 p.m.	TBA
Faculty, Staff, Student, Community Forum (Evening)	TBA from 6-7 p.m.	TBA

Communications

Mary Ann Amelang – VP for Institutional Advancement

Chris Carpenter – Full Stack Developer/Web Designer

- Letter from President
- Post webpage content
- Social media, news releases, employee newsletter
- Spring convocation

Facilities & Purchasing

Charlie King – Director of Facilities
Sonja Blinka – Director of Purchasing

- Signage/Logistics
- Purchasing
- Installation

HANDGUNS PROHIBITED

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.06, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A CONCEALED HANDGUN.



CONFORME A LA SECCIÓN 30.06 DEL CÓDIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO OCULTAS) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO H, CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO OCULTADA.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 30.07, PENAL CODE (TRESPASS BY LICENSE HOLDER WITH AN OPENLY CARRIED HANDGUN), A PERSON LICENSED UNDER SUBCHAPTER H, CHAPTER 411, GOVERNMENT CODE (HANDGUN LICENSING LAW), MAY NOT ENTER THIS PROPERTY WITH A HANDGUN THAT IS CARRIED OPENLY.



CONFORME A LA SECCIÓN 30.07 DEL CÓDIGO PENAL (TRASPASAR PORTANDO ARMAS DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE CON LICENCIA) PERSONAS CON LICENCIA BAJO DEL SUB-CAPITULO H, CAPITULO 411, CODIGO DE GOBIERNO (LEY DE PORTAR ARMAS), NO DEBEN ENTRAR A ESTA PROPIEDAD PORTANDO UN ARMA DE FUEGO AL AIRE LIBRE.

Policy

Dr. Vicki Stanfield
Lonica Bush

- Identify gun-free zones
- Draft policy
- Review by President, executive staff, task force
- Final approval by Board of Trustees

Training

Lonica Bush – Director of Diversity & Equity

Dr. Kris Kimbark – Dean of Students

Chief Sylvia Chapa – Chief of Police

- Employees
- Students

Open Discussion