2290 ANIMAL CONTROL ON COLLEGE PROPERTY

1. General

Northern New Mexico College maintains an environment designed to support the education, research, and public service mission of the College. Since the presence of animals on College property can adversely affect the normal functions of the College, disrupt community living on campus, and interfere with the rights of others to participate in College activities by causing bodily harm to individuals, unsanitary conditions, and nuisances, the College has adopted the following policy pertaining to animals on campus. This policy does not apply to animals used by the College for teaching, research, therapeutic, or other authorized College activities.

2. Restrictions

All animals on College property must be on a leash and under the constant supervision and control of their owner/guardian at all times. Except for service animals, animals are not permitted in College buildings or facilities except as authorized by the appropriate dean, director, or department head. Animals may not be left unattended at any time on campus. Animals may not be tied or tethered to any College property, including, but not limited to buildings, railings, bike racks, fire hydrants, fences, sign posts, benches, and trees. Animals are not permitted on athletic fields or in flower gardens/beds, or fountains.. Animals may not disrupt or interfere with College activities, including but not limited to teaching, research, service, or administrative activities.

Owners/guardians are responsible for:

- ensuring their animals have all vaccinations and licenses required by applicable laws and ordinances;
- controlling their animals;
- cleaning up after their animals;
- any damage to property or injury to person caused by their animals; and
- complying with this policy and all state, county, and city laws pertaining to animal control while on campus.

3. Violations

Owners/guardians who violate this policy may be given a citation by Campus Security and may be subject to charges under the "Student Code. Any person may contact Campus Security to report a violation of this policy.