

WSCC STUDENT HANDBOOK

THE PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF STUDENT DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

The purpose of Wallace State Community College is to facilitate the total development of and concern for students enrolled in this institution. Student Development Services is a support system to help students in meeting their academic objectives and, at the same time, to broaden students' perspectives outside the structured classroom experience. It is recognized that there must be a multi-dimensional approach to help students make the most of their community-college experiences. Part of Student Development Services is to provide added impetus to the total development of the student.

The College is responsible for both the academic and nonacademic experiences of all its students. Student Development Services should work with students toward their total development—physical, emotional, moral, social, as well as mental—by providing non-academic experiences and services, which aid in total student development. Student Development Services upholds the College's philosophy by being directly responsible for students' growth and well-being.

Because self-actualization, self-evaluation, maturity, mental health, academic competency, and appropriate decision-making skills are ultimate student goals, Student Development Services can aid students in developing these qualities.

By providing these services, the Student Development Services Program upholds the College's concern for the overall welfare of students and enhances the possibility for the College to meet its overall objectives of serving students.

In summary, the objectives of Student Development Services support overall institutional objectives in the following manner:

1. Helping students achieve the highest possible potential beyond the secondary school level, and the transition to college-level study, regardless of background.
2. Emphasizing mature freedom of choice.
3. Emphasizing academic or vocational work which prepares students for successful entry into senior colleges or universities and/or entry into vocations from which students may earn their livelihood and gain satisfaction.
4. Stressing total cooperation between the different facets of education from which students may be beneficiaries.
5. Assisting terminal students in self-evaluation to determine the most suitable occupational programs to fit their interests and aptitudes.
6. Assisting non-terminal students in completing their programs of study; upon graduation, aiding students in their attempts to choose the most acceptable colleges or universities to meet their individual needs.
7. Organizing free educational seminars to benefit student development.

SERVICES PROVIDED TO WSCC STUDENTS

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

All students enrolled in Allied Health programs and in the Technical Division are required to have college accident insurance (excluding Engineering Technology). Accident insurance is optional for all other Wallace State students.

WSCC BOOKSTORE

The WSCC Bookstore is provided for the convenience of all students enrolled at Wallace State Community College. The Bookstore keeps a constant stock of books, supplies, and educational accessories. Also available in the Bookstore is a variety of WSCC clothing and memorabilia.

The Bookstore is open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mondays - Wednesdays and from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursdays, and 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Fridays.

TEXTBOOK REFUND POLICY

A student who has purchased returnable books from the college bookstore and returns the books in new condition by the end of the third week of the semester will be refunded the full purchase price assuming that the following conditions are met:

1. Everyone must have a receipt.
2. Everyone must have a valid picture I.D.
3. Books must be in new/unused condition. If book was sold in shrink wrap it must be returned in shrink wrap.
4. Refunds will not be given for supplies, reference books, materials, clothing, or memorabilia.
5. If purchase was made with a check, you must wait 10 business days before requesting a refund.

A student who has purchased returnable books from the college bookstore and returns the books in used condition by the end of the third week of the semester will be refunded 50% of the full purchase price. A book is determined to be in a "used" condition if the shrink wrap has been removed, or has marks, erasures, or highlights. All books regardless of condition must include any CD or access code that was included with the book.

BOOK BUYBACK POLICY

1. The textbook **MUST** be used next semester or in the used book buyers database.
2. The textbook must be in good condition and be complete (have all disk and/or workbooks that are packaged with it).
3. The Bookstore will be buying back books in the Allied Health, Nursing, or Computer Science fields for the used book dealer.

***Book buyback will be held the week of final exams only.**

STUDENTS PROPRIETARY RIGHTS TO COURSEWORK

Students maintain the proprietary rights to any copyrightable or patentable academic work submitted in partial or full completion of course requirements. Such copyrightable or patentable works may include but are not limited to literary works, such as pamphlets, books, computer programs, manuscripts, and poems; musical works; dramatic works; pantomimes and choreographed works; pictorial, graphic, and sculptural works; motion pictures and other audio visual works; sound recordings; and architectural works.

For faculty to use a student's copyrightable or patentable work in other venues or distribute to a third party, the faculty must secure the student's written permission to do so, unless such use constitutes "fair use" under applicable law. Should a student request the return of any copyrightable or patentable work the third-party use of which is not protected by the doctrine of "fair use," faculty members will make every effort to comply with such request. Faculty maintains the right to document the request and maintain a record of the work in a suitable format, which includes but is not limited to pictures of the work, copies of the work, and a written description of the work.

DEFINITION OF COPYRIGHTABLE WORK

A copyrightable work is that which is afforded copyright protection rights under applicable law.

DEFINITION OF A PATENTABLE WORK

A patentable work is that which is afforded patent protection rights under applicable law.

CAMPUS POLICE

The mission of the Wallace State Community College Campus Police Department is to provide a safe learning, teaching, and working environment. The Campus Police Department requires its personnel to exercise the highest degree of discretion, human relations and community problem-solving skills.

The Wallace State Police Department exists to protect life and property, manage emergencies, maintain a successful parking and traffic system, prevent crime and be a general service to the college community. We want to fulfill these responsibilities in a professional and pleasant manner.

The Campus Police Department works in cooperation with the Hanceville City Police Department and the Cullman County Sheriff Office which have jurisdiction for the campus. The deputies are dispatched through the sheriff's department.

Telephone Numbers:

Emergency 911	DIAL "911"
Campus Switchboard	256.352.8000
Campus Police Department	256.352.8080
After Hours and Weekends	256.735.9975

(Located adjacent to science complex, this office is not manned at all times.)

CAMPUS CRIME STATISTICS

Campus Security Policies

The information contained in this disclosure document is provided by Wallace State Community College in compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, Public law 101-542, as amended by the Higher Education Technical Amendments Public Law 102-26 and the Campus Sexual Assault Victims Bill of Rights as included in the Higher Education Amendments of 1992. Inquiries concerning the information contained in this disclosure should be directed to the WSCC Campus Chief of Police, Wallace State Community College, P.O. Box 2000, Hanceville, Alabama 35077, 256.352.8222.

Campus Crime Statistics Disclosure

WSCC is required under Section 668.46(b) of the Campus Security Act to publish and distribute an annual security report and an annual fire safety report. The 2016 Campus Safety and Security Report and Fire Safety Report is available under the Campus Police section in the Quick Links tab on the web page at www.wallacestate.edu. Also, the daily crime report can be viewed upon request in the Chief of Police Office, which is located in the Bailey Building.

The offenses for which the Campus Security Act requires statistical reporting are defined in accordance with the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) System, as modified by the Hate Crimes Statistics Act.

Definitions of crimes for which must be reported as defined by the National Association of College and University Attorneys College Law Digest are:

1. Murder: the willful (non-negligent) killing of one human being by another.
2. Forcible and non-forcible sexual offenses: a forcible sex offense is any sexual act directed against another person, forcibly and/or against that person's will; or not forcibly or against the person's will where the victim is incapable of giving consent, and includes forcible rape, forcible sodomy, sexual assault with an object, and forcible fondling. Non forcible sex offenses are acts of unlawful, non-forcible sexual intercourse and include incest and statutory rape. Depending on the circumstances, acquaintance rape could be in either category.
3. Robbery: the taking of, or attempting to take, anything of value under confrontational circumstances from the control, custody, or care of another person or persons by force or threat of force or violence and/or by putting the victim in fear of immediate harm.
4. Aggravated assault: an unlawful attack by one person upon another in which the offender uses a weapon or displays it in a threatening manner, or the victim suffers obvious severe or aggravated bodily injury involving apparent broken bones, loss of teeth, possible internal injury, severe laceration, or loss of

consciousness. Note that an unsuccessful attempt to commit murder would be classified as an aggravated assault.

- 5. Burglary (breaking and entering): the unlawful entry into a building or other structure with the intent to commit a felony or a theft. Note that forced entry is not a required element of the offense; so long as the entry is unlawful (constituting a trespass) it may be accomplished via an unlocked door or window. Included are unsuccessful attempts where force is employed, or where a perpetrator is frightened off while entering an unlocked door or window.
- 6. Motor vehicle theft: the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

4. Sex offenses – Non-forcible	0	0	0
5. Robbery	0	0	0
6. Aggravated assault	0	0	0
7. Burglary	0	1	0
8. Motor vehicle theft	0	0	0
9. Arson	0	0	0
10. Domestic Violence	0	0	0
11. Dating Violence	1	0	1
12. Stalking	0	0	0

Criminal Offenses

Criminal Offenses – On-campus

	2013	2014	2015
1. Murder/ Non-negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
2. Negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
3. Sex offenses – Forcible	0	1	0
4. Sex offenses – Non-forcible	0	0	0
5. Robbery	0	0	0
6. Aggravated assault	0	0	0
7. Burglary	0	0	1
8. Motor vehicle theft	0	0	0
9. Arson	0	0	0
10. Domestic Violence	1	1	0
11. Dating Violence	0	0	1
12. Stalking	0	0	0

Criminal Offenses – On-campus Residence Halls

	2013	2014	2015
1. Murder/ Non-negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
2. Negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
3. Sex offenses – Forcible	0	0	0

Criminal Offenses – Public Property

	2013	2014	2015
1. Murder/ Non-negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
2. Negligent manslaughter	0	0	0
3. Sex offenses – Forcible	0	0	0
4. Sex offenses – Non-forcible	0	0	0
5. Robbery	0	0	0
6. Aggravated assault	0	0	0
7. Burglary	0	0	0
8. Motor vehicle theft	0	0	0
9. Arson	0	0	0
10. Domestic Violence	0	0	0
11. Dating Violence	0	0	0
12. Stalking	0	0	0

None of the reported incidents in the preceding statistical section were prompted by, or as a result of, any person’s perceived race, gender, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, or disability of the victim. In addition to those listed above, there were no incidents of theft, simple assault, intimidation or destruction/vandalism of property motivated by prejudice.

ARRESTS AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Arrests – On-campus

	2013	2014	2015
1. Illegal weapons possession	0	0	0
2. Drug law violations	1	1	1
3. Liquor law violations	0	0	2

Disciplinary Actions/Referrals – On-campus

	2013	2014	2015
1. Illegal weapons possession	0	0	0
2. Drug law violations	1	1	0
3. Liquor law violations	3	0	0

Arrests – On-campus Residence Halls

	2013	2014	2015
1. Illegal weapons possession	0	0	0
2. Drug law violations	0	0	0
3. Liquor law violations	0	0	0

Disciplinary Actions/Referrals – On-campus Residence Halls

	2013	2014	2015
1. Illegal weapons possession	0	0	0
2. Drug law violations	1	4	0
3. Liquor law violations	3	1	0

Arrests – Public Property

	2013	2014	2015
1. Illegal weapons possession	0	0	0
2. Drug law violations	0	0	0
3. Liquor law violations	0	0	0

PARKING AND TRAFFIC

1. The purpose of these regulations is to reduce traffic congestion and facilitate orderly parking. The Alabama State Motor Vehicle and Traffic Law is also in full force on the campus. Wallace State Community College establishes fees and fines for parking on the campus.
2. Students must register vehicles routinely driven on campus. Registration information includes student number, driver’s license number, make and model of vehicle, and tag number of vehicle.
3. At the time the vehicle is registered, the College will issue a hanging decal. It should be facing forward on the inside rear-view mirror. Only the current decal should be displayed. Additional hanging decals can be purchased for \$5.00.
4. Drivers are responsible for finding an authorized parking space.
5. A parking permit does not guarantee the holder a parking space but only an opportunity to park within a specified parking area. Ownership of the parking permit remains with the college.
6. Abandoned vehicles left over 14 days, are subject to removal from campus.

Regulations and Fines

It is prohibited to park:

1. Without a valid permit displayed-\$20
2. In “No Parking” areas (yellow curbs)-\$20
3. In a handicapped space without a valid handicapped permit prominently displayed-\$50
4. On the grass, sidewalk, crosswalks-\$20
5. On or over painted lines in parking stalls-\$20
6. Backwards into parking places. (Rear of vehicle must face parking lot access adjacent to parking space)-\$20

No vehicle shall be operated:

1. In violation of directional signs
2. At a speed in excess of 25 miles per hour campus-wide (with the exception of the area by the lake where the limit is 15 miles per hour)-\$30
3. In a reckless or careless manner-\$50
4. With disregard to any traffic sign and/or pavement markings-\$30
5. Playing music that may be heard outside of vehicle-\$20
6. While texting-\$20

Fines may be paid at the College Cashier’s Office. Failure to pay fines will result in student registration and graduation holds, and may result in towing of the vehicle at the owner’s expense.

If a student chooses to appeal traffic or parking citations, they must pick up a Traffic Violation Appeal form in the Auxiliary Department or Police Department. The form is to be completed by the student and submitted to the Police Department to be reviewed by the Chief of Police. Once a determination has been made the results will be mailed to the student’s address listed on his/her Admissions records.

Fines may also be issued for littering (\$20) and smoking (\$20).

CAREER SERVICES

Career Services provides online resources so that students can:

1. Use computer technology to research educational, career, and job information on the Internet.
2. View jobs in demand information.
3. Complete computer-aided instruction to develop resume writing skills and interview practice techniques.
4. Use computer technology to access Dictionary of Occupational Titles (definitions of more than 2400 jobs), Occupational Outlook Handbook (detailed information about careers, jobs, salary ranges, and future outlooks) and Military Careers (all military agencies and job information).
5. Receive professional guidance regarding career selections.

JOB PLACEMENT

Cooperative Education (co-op) is an educational plan whereby a student can integrate classroom learning with practical work experience in a technical, business, or professional setting. The work experience periods are an integral part of the student's education. The College monitors the student's work activities to make sure that the work experience is providing the student an opportunity to gain valuable work experience.

Job Placement is based on the principle that the work experience can enhance the learning that takes place in the classroom. Practical experience offered at a time when the student is at the peak of learning capacity adds relevance to education and fortifies the student in the total learning process.

During the work experience periods, the Co-op student will register for Cooperative Education Program (Co-op) credit. The student's performance will be monitored through a work-experience report. In addition, the employer will supply a report on the student's activities together with a performance evaluation at the end of the semester.

A final grade for each work period will be issued based upon the employer's evaluation and other performance criteria. Grades will be recorded on the student's official transcript and will become a part of the student's grade-point average.

For more information contact Jamie Blackmon at 256.352.8461

DISCLOSURE: All required consumer information is available on the Student Services page of the Wallace State website www.wallacestate.edu or by clicking on the Quick Links tab on the WSCC homepage.

TALENT SEARCH (TRiO)

Talent Search is a U.S. Department of Education TRiO program based at Wallace State Community College. This program serves students ages 11-27, plus veterans. Talent Search is designed to serve low-income, first-generation college students. The program's service area includes Blount, Cullman, Marshall and Morgan counties.

Talent Search seeks to decrease the number of high school dropouts and to increase enrollment and re-enrollment in high school or postsecondary education. Free services include career, motivational, college, and financial-aid counseling; academic advising; ACT test preparation; career observation opportunities; and tutoring in selected sites.

For more information or to request services, contact the Talent Search offices at 256.352.8230.

There is no charge for assistance given by the Talent Search counselors and staff.

FINANCIAL AID

Wallace State Community College qualifies for programs which will assist its students in receiving any financial assistance available. Additional information on Student Financial Assistance is discussed in detail in the "Student Financial Assistance" section.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES SERVICE

Establishing Services with the ADA Office

Your first step in requesting services will be to arrange an appointment with the Director of Special Populations. It is advisable to make an initial appointment before the semester begins. Call the Director of Special Populations at 256.352.8052. If accommodations are needed to take the placement test, the student must schedule the appointment at least one week prior to the date of the placement test. Documentation should be brought to this interview if it has not already been received.

Students who are seeking accommodations and services on the basis of a disability are required to submit documentation to verify their eligibility for services. Typically, a licensed psychologist, physician, or other appropriate professional provides the evaluation, diagnosis, and recommended accommodations in a detailed report. The ADA Office is not responsible for determining the nature of an individual's disability. The ADA Office maintains the right to reject documentation that does not verify a student's disability or delineate reasonable accommodations. Documentation should not be over three years old.

Documentation accepted by the ADA Office is valid as long as a student is continuously enrolled at the College. However, if

there is a break in the student's enrollment, he/she may need to present updated documentation to receive services. Disability-related information received to support requests for accommodations are treated as confidential and shared only on a need-to-know basis. The information may not be released to an outside third party without the written consent of the individual.

Accommodations Process

Adherence to the following procedures insures the best possible service the institution can provide.

The Director of Special Populations meets individually with a student to discuss accommodations and assist the student in completing required forms. The Director determines reasonable academic accommodations for a student, taking into consideration recommendations from the physician, psychologist or other professional who diagnosed the student's disability. Accommodations previously used in educational settings with the student will be taken into consideration. Although some students may have similar diagnoses, each student is treated as an individual because accommodations must be tailored to individual needs.

The ADA Office recommends reasonable accommodations by preparing a letter addressed to the instructor of each class for which the student requests accommodations. An instructor is not obliged to provide accommodations to a student with a disability until he/she receives the ADA Office accommodation letter from the student. In addition, it is the student's responsibility to discuss scheduling and details of the requested accommodations with his/her instructor(s). If a student delivers an accommodation letter to an instructor within a few days prior to an assignment or exam, the instructor may not be able to provide the optimal accommodation requested. Accommodations are not retroactive.

Responsibility of the Student

Receiving academic accommodations at Wallace State is a **5-step procedure**:

1. Students must complete an accommodation request form from the ADA Office each semester.
2. Students may hand-deliver the letter or have it sent via WSCC intra-mail to each instructor.
3. Students must arrange a meeting with their instructor(s) to discuss the proposed accommodations listed in the letter.
4. Students contact each instructor several days before accommodations such as extended test time and reduced distraction testing are needed. It is the students' responsibility to start the process for individualized proctored exams. A copy of the procedure is in the handbook. Students must complete request form, have their instructor complete his/her section of request form and, then, submit the form to the ADA Office.

5. Students report any concerns about accommodations to the ADA Office as soon as possible.

Students with disabilities must maintain the same responsibility for their education as students who do not have disabilities. This includes maintaining the same academic levels, maintaining appropriate behavior and giving timely notification of any special needs. Utilize accommodations available to you; asking for assistance is not a sign of weakness or dependence. It is our goal to help you achieve your educational pursuits.

Conflict Resolution

Questions and concerns regarding accommodations and services for students who have a disability should be directed initially to the ADA Office.

At the beginning of each semester, students should give a copy of the accommodation letter to the instructor of each class where accommodations need to be made. Students and instructors will discuss the requested accommodations. If there is disagreement, the student or instructor should contact the Director of Special Populations.

Steps in Conflict Resolution

1. The Director of Special Populations meets with the Department Chair. If an agreement is not reached with the student, he or she may submit an appeal, in writing, to the Executive Vice President within three (3) working days of the decision of the Department Chair.
2. The Executive Vice President will review the student's information, may conduct further investigation as needed, and will issue a written decision to the student within five (5) working days of receipt of the appeal. If the student disagrees with the decision, the student may submit an appeal, in writing to the President.

The College will make every reasonable effort to address a student's concerns promptly to minimize the effect on course participation.

During the conflict resolution process, the student is entitled to receive all accommodations recommended by the Director of Special Populations. It is important that concerns are addressed promptly so that the student's participation in courses is not affected.

FOOD SERVICES

The café located in the Center for Nursing Center for Science building is open Monday-Thursday from 7:30 am until 2:00 pm. The café offers deli style sandwiches, coffee and smoothies.

GUIDANCE AND ADVISING SERVICES

A professionally trained staff provides guidance and advising services for all students at Wallace State Community College. These services are accessible to students in both day and extended-day programs. Faculty members and the Advising Center staff are available for academic advising and educational planning. Assessments of various kinds may be suggested to assist students with identifying personal strengths and matching interests with focused areas of study. Staff members are professionally trained for administering, evaluating, and interpreting these assessments for maximum benefit. Students are encouraged to discuss their plans, needs, and goals with their instructors, their faculty advisors, and the Advising Center staff.

Advisors are also available to assist students with creating an educational plan, making schedule and/or program changes, addressing academic performance, or developing effective study habits. The advising staff has the skills and the ability to refer to community resources or assist students who may experience circumstances, which interfere with their academic pursuits and personal growth. It is the responsibility of each student to make use of the advisors.

Students may schedule an appointment with the Advising Center staff, or visit Lion Central for assistance.

PROCTORING SERVICES

Any individual seeking proctoring services should contact the Advising Center or Testing Office for directions, appointments and fees.

HEADS UP

Recognizing the need for students and staff to have an outlet to discuss preventive measures for drug and alcohol issues, the Heads Up Office in the Student Center is available for WSCC students in joint cooperation with Cullman Mental Health. The prevention officer for this program may be reached at 256.352.8021.

HEALTHCARE PROCEDURES

Wallace State does not provide routine health care for individuals. For minor injuries, there is a first aid kit in each building. In the event of sudden illness or accidents, the following policies are in effect.

Serious Injury/Illness

1. If serious injury or illness occurs on campus, immediately dial 9-911 to activate the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) System. Give your name; describe the nature and severity of the medical problem and the campus location of the victim. Stay on

the phone until the EMS operator hangs up. Personnel trained in first aid (Red Cross) or CPR (Red Cross or American Heart) can and should provide appropriate care. **DO NOT MOVE THE VICTIM.**

2. Notification of relatives/family members of the injured individual will be handled by the Executive Vice President, 256.352.8233; or Admissions Office 256.352.8238 during the day; or the Administrator of Extended-Day Programs 256.352.8116 during evening classes; or 256.352.8000.

Minor Injury/Illness

1. In case of minor injury or illness, trained personnel should provide any first aid deemed necessary. Use sterile first aid materials available in first aid kits.
2. The instructor or responsible attending personnel should determine if ambulance transport to an emergency care facility is required. If ambulance transport is required, the instructor or responsible person should dial 9-911 to activate the EMS System. Give your name, describe the nature and severity of the problem and the campus location of the victim. Stay on the phone until the EMS operator hangs up. **DO NOT MOVE THE VICTIM.**
3. If family members or other relative must be notified, contact the Executive Vice President, 256.352.8233; or the Admissions Office 256.352.8238 during the day; or the Administrator of Extended-Day Programs 256.352.8116 during evening classes; or 256.352.8000.

In the case of any illness or injury, the instructor or responsible attending personnel should complete the Health Care Report. One copy should be given to the ill or injured individual and the second copy must be forwarded to the Secretary of the Nursing Department. All technical division and selected health division students are required to purchase accident insurance through WSCC from. Claims on this insurance must be made in a timely manner. Therefore, the Secretary for the Nursing Department must receive the accident report within two (2) days of the incident.

Financial Considerations

All ambulance transportation and emergency care will be at the injured/ill individual's expense. We encourage all students to carry basic health care insurance. Accident insurance is available through the institution to help cover some expenses. The insurance must be purchased during registration each semester. The Cashier's Office can assist students in purchasing the accident insurance.

Tuberculosis or MRSA

Procedures exist to monitor exposure to Tuberculosis or MRSA. Any student with a concern or diagnosis should contact a WSCC staff member.

LIBRARY

The Library at Wallace State Community College provides a wide variety of learning resources for students, faculty, and community use. These resources include books, periodicals, slides, cassette tapes, microfilm, and CD-ROM. Books are checked out for a two-week period. Periodicals are for use in the Library only. Videos may be checked out for a 3-day period.

The library is open Mondays - Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Wallace State Community College Library offers ALICAT (Alabama Interlibrary Catalog) a state-wide, computerized system which makes material available on loan from other university, college, and public libraries in the State of Alabama.

The Wallace State Library provides access to the Internet through computers located on the 2nd floor of the library. This gives students access to information on the World Wide Web and to the Alabama Virtual Library. A computer lab on the 1st floor also provides Internet access and serves as a walk-in lab for all types of computer needs.

Checking Out Library Materials

A student ID card or library card is required in order to check out library materials. Proof of current enrollment is required in order to obtain a patron card. Students are issued a card free of charge. Library cards expire on 10/1 each year. There is a \$5.00 charge for replacement cards. Non-student patrons may purchase a Community Patron card for a fee of \$10.00. These cards have a 5-year expiration date. The library card can be used to check out books and videos.

Overdue Books

Books are checked out for two weeks and may be renewed by having the book and card re-stamped. Book fines are charged on overdue books at the rate of five cents a day. Reserve books that are overdue are charged at the rate of ten cents an hour. Fines must be paid and books must be returned prior to registration in each new semester.

Lost Books

Any lost book should be reported to the circulation desk as soon as possible. The person who has checked out the book will be responsible for the cost of replacing it. Fines will be levied on the book at the overdue rate until the day the Library is notified of the loss of the book. A \$3.00 processing fee will be added for each lost book.

Classification of Books, Periodicals, and Microfilm

All materials in the library are catalogued and placed on the shelf according to the Library of Congress System. Following are the categories used by Library of Congress:

A	— General Works	L	— Education
B-BJ	— Philosophy	M	— Music

BL-BX	— Religion	N	— Fine Arts
C	— History and Auxiliary Sciences	P	— Psychology and Literature
D	— History: General and Old World	Q	— Science
E-F	— History: America	R	— Medicine
G	— Geology, Anthropology, Folklore	S	— Agriculture
H	— Social Sciences	T	— Technology
J	— Political Sciences	U	— Military Science
		V	— Naval Science
		Z	— Bibliography and Library Science

To locate specific books on the shelves, find the complete call numbers in the card catalog.

Periodicals

The Library encourages students to take advantage of their access to the large periodical data bases available through the Alabama Virtual Library (AVL). Specific periodicals requested by departments are available in paper form in the Library. Magazines are available during the hours that the Library is open. Periodicals cannot be taken from the Library because they are in great demand and more fragile than books.

RESIDENCE HALLS

Wallace State Community College has dormitory rooms available that are designated separately for men and women (based on biological sex of individuals). Students should make application in the Office of the Auxiliary Director prior to the semester in which they plan to maintain residence. The contact number is 256.352.8156.

General Policy

The Wallace State Community College Residence Hall policy is based on the theory that students have the right to expect a quiet, clean, safe atmosphere in which they can live, study, and develop as individuals. All students residing in the on-campus housing are expected to adhere to this policy. Dorm residents must adhere to the College's Code of Conduct as well as Dorm Regulations.

The administration of Wallace State Community College realizes that not all individuals can adjust to group living. For this reason and to safeguard the rights and privileges of the majority of the students, the administration reserves the right to dismiss any student from the residence halls, based upon misconduct, when such action is considered advisable.

Wallace State Community College officials reserve the right to consolidate and relocate residents living in the dormitory whenever necessary for reasons of overall student welfare.

In general, all residents are required to keep their living areas clean and orderly at all times. The residence hall director may inspect rooms at any time or by any of the WSCC administrators to whom this responsibility has been delegated. Rooms will be inspected to determine if repair and maintenance are required,

if damage has been done to College property, if proper inventory of College property is being maintained, and if the residents are in compliance with College regulations. Students failing to show proper regard for the condition of their overall living areas will be subject to expulsion from the residence hall and will be charged for any damage.

Responsibility for College Property

At the time that any student assumes residence in the WSCC residence halls, the student also assumes responsibility for College property. Occupants may not alter the premises in any way. The occupant(s) must pay for damage or defacement to any part of the residence hall, individual rooms, or furnishings. The College reserves the right to inspect the premises at any time for damage, sanitation, or fire hazards. If damage is done to the common premises of the residence hall and the individuals responsible cannot be determined, all residents using that part or portion of the facility will assume a pro-rata share of the damages. Students may not nail, glue, inscribe, or otherwise deface walls, woodwork, doors, windows, or any other College property.

Responsibility for Personal Property

The College assumes no responsibility for injury to persons, or loss or damage to items of personal property that occur in buildings, grounds, or any other property belonging to the College. Students (and their parents or guardians) are **strongly** encouraged to purchase and maintain appropriate insurance to cover such losses.

Quiet Hours

The first step toward success at Wallace State Community College begins with good study habits. Reasonable quiet is expected in the residence halls at all times. Please display courtesy to other students; playing a musical instrument, radio, record or tape player, or television loudly enough to be heard outside the room is prohibited and will result in the loss of privileges. Quiet hours are every day from 10:00 p.m. until 9:00 a.m. During exam week, all hours are quiet hours.

Resident Student Conduct

General student conduct is discussed in this catalog under the heading of "Student Regulations." The regulations for all WSCC students apply to resident students (where applicable) while they are living in the residence halls. Failure to adhere to the regulations will be grounds for dismissal.

Restroom/Locker Room Policy

Restrooms and locker rooms are designated separately for men and women unless otherwise posted. Locations of family or unisex restroom can be obtained through the office of the Executive Vice President. There will be no loitering in restrooms or locker rooms on Wallace State Community College's campus. Violators are subject to disciplinary action.

Disciplinary Procedure

It is each student's responsibility to become familiar with all

rules and regulations governing student conduct and action in the residence halls. The residence hall director, who has the day-to-day administrative responsibility over the residence hall, will record any misconduct. If misconduct persists or if misconduct is severe enough, the residence hall director will report the incident(s) to the Auxiliary Director, and appropriate action will be taken.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

All WSCC students are required to possess current photo student ID cards while on campus or at clinical sites. Students may have an ID made by visiting Lion Central. ID cards can be loaded with cash (Lion Loot) and used for campus vending, printing, bookstore purchases, Banquet Hall, and library check-out. The first card is free but replacement cards are \$10. See community.wallacestate.edu for more information and new features. ID cards can be issued to new students beginning on the 1st day of each semester.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES (TRiO)

Student Support Services is a U.S. Department of Education TRIO program located on the campus of Wallace State Community College. This program strives to help students who are low-income, first-generation college students, and/or disabled. Services include academic advising, career counseling, transfer counseling, financial-aid counseling, four-year college visits, and academic tutoring. For more information or to apply for this program, contact the offices of Student Support Services at 256.352.8073.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Wallace State Community College has many veterans enrolled in various programs throughout the College. The College Financial Aid Office works directly with veterans and other students eligible for veterans' education benefits. The College renders guidance and counseling services to all qualified students who need assistance. The College refers Veterans who need further counseling to their local VA office.

Each student who is attending college with assistance from the Veterans' Administration must notify the certifying official of current enrollment each term and of any changes. Without notification, certification is delayed; consequently, benefit payments are delayed.

Additional information on Veterans' Affairs is discussed in more detail in the Student Financial Assistance section.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

All experiences received by the individual student have a direct effect on the student's total educational development. Student activities and organizations offered by the College present

opportunities for students to participate in additional experiences not otherwise provided in the regular academic curriculum. All College-sponsored activities are considered important adjuncts to the educational programs since they encourage each student to become personally involved in both self- and group-directed events which are meaningful and enriching to the educational development of each student.

All student activities and organizations are non-discriminatory in terms of membership and are in full compliance with all requirements imposed by Title VI, Title IX, and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended.

All extracurricular activities except athletics are under the direct control of the College. For more information on any club or organization, contact the Enrollment Services office at 256.352.8031.

Procedures for forming a New Student Organization:

Any group of students desiring to form an organization must submit the appropriate form (available in the Enrollment Management Office of Lion Central) to the Executive Vice President and include the following items:

1. A complete statement of the goals and purpose(s) of the organization and how those goals relate to the mission of the college.
2. A name and potential initial membership list for the organization.
3. The name(s) of WSCC faculty/staff who will serve as advisor(s).
4. The organization will submit a formal constitution and by-laws to the Executive Vice President by the end of the first year of organization.
5. Goals, objectives and plan should be included with the application.

The form (petition) will be reviewed by the Executive Vice President and the Assistant Dean of Enrollment Management. The organization, upon approval, will be given authorization to operate for one year.

Upon approval the organization agrees to abide by the following requirements:

1. All officers must carry a minimum of 12 hours each semester and must not accumulate more than 64 hours. Students on probation may not hold offices within any organization. Officers will be elected from club members.
2. Organizations that collect and expend money must operate through a club account established in the Business Office.
3. At the end of one year of operation, the organization must submit a full and detailed report on its functions and operations to the Executive Vice President. After review of the report, the Executive Vice President will

recommend to the President the continuation or discontinuation of the organization. If accepted for continuation by the President, the organization will be granted an official charter for continued operation on the WSCC campus.

Social fraternities and sororities are prohibited by Alabama Community College System Board of Trustees policy number 807.01.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The SGA is intended to provide for active student self-government; to encourage the development of satisfying relationships between students, faculty, and administration; to promote the involvement of students in community programs and projects; to provide social and recreational outlets for all students; to function as an organized and realistic laboratory through which students can acquire and "try out" those skills necessary for living in and improving their communities; and to provide the basis for common objectives while encouraging individual initiative and promoting a sense of identity within the WSCC student body. All students can take an active part in the SGA by voting in elections, by taking the initiative to seek offices, and by conveying ideas and/or requests to elected student representatives. For more information, contact Whit Rice at 256.352.8406

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

Preamble

We, the students of Wallace State Community College, in order to provide an effective means of student government, and to provide for the immediate needs of the student population, do hereby establish and ordain this constitution.

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Wallace State Community College Student Government Association (SGA).

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of the Student Government Association shall be to serve and represent the student body; unify the students in a common motive of limited self-government; encourage cooperation among students, faculty, and administrative staff; and act in the best interests of the student body for the betterment of the College.

Article III: Membership

Section 1: The membership of this organization shall consist of all WSCC students currently enrolled and attending classes at the said institution.

Section 2: The voting membership of the SGA shall be comprised of all officers and senators.

Section 3: ELECTION OF STUDENT SENATORS

Senators are to be selected during the summer and fall semester of each academic year. Senators must possess and maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 (based on 4.0 scale). Senators will be installed into office for a maximum of six semesters.

Section 4: VACANCIES IN SENATE

All vacancies occurring in the Student Senate shall be filled by presidential appointment with approval from the SGA Advisor.

Article IV: Officers, Executive Council, And Senate Body

Section 1: EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The executive officers of the Student Government Association shall be the executive officers of the senate and shall consist of the president, vice-president, secretary, parliamentarian, and treasurer.

Section 2: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The purpose of the Executive Council is to preview items to be reviewed by the Student Senate and to facilitate more effective senate action. The Executive Council shall be composed of the executive officers of the SGA. The Executive Council shall meet and review items to be placed on or removed from the senate agenda. Any new business not appearing on the agenda at senate meetings shall be immediately tabled or referred to committees.

Section 3: SENATORIAL BODY

The Senatorial Body shall be composed of ten (10) to twenty (20) Senators.

Article V: Qualification Of Officers

Section 1: Executive officers must possess and maintain a 2.5 GPA (based on 4.0 scale).

Article VI: Qualification Of Senators

Section 1: Senators must possess and maintain an overall GPA of 2.0 (based on 4.0 scale).

Article VII: Selection Of Officers

Section 1: Executive Officers shall be appointed to a term of no more than three semesters, during the summer or fall semester of each academic year.

Section 2: Executive Officers will be appointed by the SGA Advisor. Students interested in serving as an officer should contact the SGA Advisor.

Article VIII: Selection Of Student Senators

Section 1: Senators will be selected during the summer or fall semester of each academic year.

Section 2: Senators will be selected by a committee comprised of the current SGA president, the SGA Advisor, and no more than three support, faculty, and/or administrative personnel.

Article IX: Vacancies

Section 1: If the office of president should become vacant, it shall be filled immediately by the vice-president.

Section 2: If the office of vice-president, secretary, or treasurer should become vacant, it shall be filled by appointment of the president, from within the senate.

The appointee is not required to be of the same status, that is to say, of the same division and the same program, as the vacating officer.

Section 3: All vacancies occurring in the Student Senate shall be filled by presidential appointment. Approval is required by the SGA Advisor(s).

Article X: Powers And Duties Of Senators

Section 1: Senators of the Student Government Association shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To serve on committees appointed by the president of the SGA.
- B. To approve appointment(s) of the president of the SGA.
- C. To attend senate meetings.
- D. To assist the president of the SGA.
- E. To override a presidential veto by a two-thirds vote.
- F. To comply fully with the constitution of the SGA.

Article XI: Powers And Duties Of The Executive Council

Section 1: The president of the Student Government Association shall have the following powers and duties:

- A. To preside over all meetings of the senate and Executive Council.
- B. To call special meetings of the senate.
- C. To execute policies and actions approved by the senate.
- D. To act as ex-officio member of all committees that have been appointed.
- E. To cooperate and coordinate all Student Government Association activities with the Student Government Advisor(s) and administrative staff of the College.
- F. To appoint the following standing committees: Legislative and Social, as well as other committees needed during the normal course of business.
- G. To serve on College committees as requested.
- H. To instruct and require reports from executive officers and cabinet members.
- I. To make recommendations for legislation to the Student Senate, for which purpose the president may address the senate at any time.
- J. To observe and follow the letter of this constitution.

Section 2: The vice president shall have the following duties:

- A. To preside over all meetings of the senate at the president's absence or request.
- B. In case of the president's resignation, removal, or surrender of office, to assume the office of the president until the next regularly scheduled election.

- C. To serve as needed on College committees as requested.
- D. To assist and cooperate with the SGA president as requested.
- E. The vice-president shall not cast a vote on pending motions or resolutions before the body but may, in the event of a tie vote, cast the deciding vote.
- F. To preside over Executive Committee in the president's absence.
- G. To observe and follow the letter of this constitution.

Section 3: The secretary shall have the following duties:

- A. To keep the official minutes of senate and executive meetings.
- B. To keep an accurate attendance record of each meeting or activity.
- C. To assist the president or vice-president with all official student government correspondence and communications.
- D. To assist and cooperate with the president of the SGA as required.
- E. To observe and follow the letter of this constitution.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall have the following duties:

- A. To supervise financial affairs of the SGA.
- B. To serve on College committees as requested.
- C. To assist and cooperate with the president of the SGA as requested.
- D. To observe and follow the letter of this constitution.

Section 5: The Parliamentarian shall have the following duties:

- A. To maintain parliamentary procedure at SGA meetings.
- B. To assure that the minutes of meetings contain the following:
 1. Time, date, and place of meeting.
 2. Whether it is a special or regular meeting.
 3. The name of the presiding officer.
 4. The name of the secretary.
 5. All main motions (whether adopted or rejected); withdrawn motions are not included.
 6. The names of persons making proposals.
 7. Points of order or appeals, whether sustained or rejected.
- C. To serve on special committees as requested.
- D. To attend all regular meetings.
- E. To assist and cooperate with the president of the SGA as requested.
- F. To observe and follow the letter of the SGA constitution.

Article XII: Meetings

Section 1: The Student Senate shall meet monthly during each

semester of the academic year, or at the call of the president.

Section 2: All legislation shall be passed by majority vote.

Section 3: A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of the number of voting members of the senate. A quorum is necessary for legislative action. No pending or new legislation may be acted on by the senate without a quorum present.

Section 4: In the event that less than 50% of the senators are enrolled in the summer semester, the Executive Council shall comprise the entire voting body of the SGA, and the Executive Council shall work closely with the Student Government Association Advisor.

Article XIII: Absenteeism

Section 1: Within 48 hours of a missed meeting in which the attendance of a voting member of the SGA is required, it is the responsibility of the voting member to present to the president or SGA Advisor(s) a written or oral excuse, outlining the reason(s) for the absence.

Section 2: The SGA Advisor(s) will rule on excused or unexcused absences, using criteria for such according to institutional policy. All excuses will be filed by the SGA Advisor(s) after review.

A. Any senator/officer absent from two consecutive meetings without an excuse or three meetings in one semester without an excuse shall be subject to removal from the SGA.

B. Appeals of expulsion will be acted upon in the following order:

1. Student Senate
2. SGA Advisor(s)
3. Executive Vice President

Section 3: Any member of the Student Government Association may be removed from office for any one of the following reasons:

- A. If and when placed on academic probation.
- B. If and when on disciplinary probation following violations of student code set forth by the office of the Executive Vice President.
- C. For excessive absences as outlined in Article XIII, Section 2.
- D. Misappropriation of SGA funds.
- E. Failure to abide by the SGA constitution.

Upon receipt of a statement of allegations, the Executive Council shall introduce into the agenda a hearing scheduled for the first meeting of the Student Senate immediately following the receipt of that statement of allegations. The president shall preside over the hearing unless the president is the subject of the hearing, in which case the vice-president shall preside. A recommendation for removal must be carried by a three-fourths vote of a quorum present and then submitted to the SGA Advisor for review.

Any person desiring to appeal this hearing must appeal as outlined in Article IV, Section 2. Should removal from office be finalized, the person shall lose all titles, offices, and other rewards for the office or position from which he/she has been removed. Sponsor: Whit Rice, 256.352.8406

OTHER CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

ALL-USA/ALL-ALABAMA ACADEMIC TEAM

Each year community colleges in the United States participate in the ALL-USA Academic Team competition. Each college selects two student representatives. The competition includes academic success, community and school activities, and an essay contest. The two participants are automatically members of the ALL-Alabama Academic Team. They are recognized each spring at an awards banquet along with receiving a scholarship to any Alabama four-year public institution. Most four-year institutions in the state also offer scholarships to these participants. Contact the Executive Vice President's Office, 256.352.8340

BASS CLUB

Students in this club will participate in bass fishing tournaments, promote fishing as a sport, support community bass fishing, and represent WSCC as a team at state, local and national competitions. Participants must be full-time students and join the national association in order to participate in team tournaments. Sponsor: Cindy Maddox, 256.352.8031

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Campus Ministries is an organization composed of Wallace State students of all denominations and faiths. The purpose of the organization is to provide fellowship and promote better moral, spiritual, and religious values. Campus Ministries are located in the Student Center. Sponsor: Christy Hicks, 256.352.8280

CHEERLEADERS

The Wallace State Cheerleading Program is of top quality. As a nationally ranked squad, the cheerleaders promote school spirit, student activities, and assist with campus and community events as ambassadors. Listed below are general information and requirements for qualifying for the squad.

1. Try outs are generally held in the Spring of each year.
2. Members must be enrolled in good standing and maintain at least a 2.0 GPA.
3. Members will perform at all WSCC basketball games.
4. The cheerleaders of WSCC earn college credit for participating on the squad.
5. If scholarships are awarded, they are for fall and spring semesters of the upcoming year.

Coach: Stefany Pate, 256.352.8277

CHOIR AND SINGERS

All students are invited to participate in the Concert Choir, which presents programs in the fall and spring of each year. Emphasis is placed on a wide variety of music, both secular and

sacred. The Singers, a group of vocalists and instrumentalists, perform for a variety of programs, including civic clubs, conventions, high school assembly programs, and churches. Auditions are held each spring and fall for membership in the WSCC Singers. Sponsor: Tiffany Richter, 256.352.8034

CIRCLE K CLUB

In partnership with the Kiwanis Club of Cullman, the Circle K Club seeks to develop college students into a global network of responsible citizens and leaders with a lifelong commitment to service. The motto of the organization is "Live to Serve, Love to Serve." The organization is open to all students who are enrolled part-time or full-time. Sponsor: Christine O'Leary, 256.352.8112

COMPUTER SCIENCE CLUB

The Computer Science Club is an organization, meeting monthly, whose purpose is to enhance skills, knowledge, and interest in the computer science field. It provides a forum for discussions and hands-on activities on techniques in programming, gaming, and networking. Meetings are conducted by experts in the field. The club also provides free tutoring services for students taking any of the computer science courses. Membership is open to anyone in any major; it is not restricted to just the Computer Science majors. Sponsor: Terry Ayers, 256.352.8104

COSMETOLOGY CLUB

The Cosmetology Club is made up of students with the desire to advance their training beyond the basic skills. These students attend seminars and one-day workshops in advanced training, presented by some of the nation's leading cosmetologists. Another function of the group is to visit schools and civic clubs to emphasize the importance of one's personal appearance. Sponsor: Sabrina Flanigan, 256.352.8197

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

The Lion's Den Creative Writing Club is an organization of students, alumni, and members of the community who are interested in promoting writing and literature, as well as supporting writers and readers at Wallace State Community College. Participants meet regularly to discuss and critique the works of members and professional writers. This club sponsors read-ins, open-mic events, and YAWP, Wallace State's journal of arts and letters. Sponsor: Michael Salerno, 256.352.8004

CULINARY PRIDE CLUB

The Culinary Pride Club is open to any individual majoring in the Culinary Arts at Wallace State. The objective of this club is to promote learning, professional growth, adherence to the Culinary Code of the American Culinary Federation and networking through community service outreach to Wallace State and the local community. Sponsors: Chef John Wilson and Aaron Nichols, 256.352.7852

DRAMA CLUB

The Drama Club is an organization of students interested in promoting drama and the theater at Wallace State Community College. This club sponsors drama presentations for Wallace State students and the community. Sponsor: Lauren Salerno, 256.352.8422

INTRAMURAL ATHLETICS

Intramural competition is provided for the student body through student activities. Some areas of intramural competition include basketball, softball, volleyball, tennis, table games, flag football, wallyball, and other activities as demand justifies. Sponsor: Ron Burdette, 256.352.8350

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Wallace State Community College is a member of both the National Junior College Athletic Association and the Alabama College Conference. The College is presently developing a comprehensive program of intercollegiate athletics, which includes men's and women's basketball, men and women golf, softball, baseball, tennis, cross-country and volleyball. Athletic Director: Paul Bailey, 256.352.8359

JAZZ AND CONCERT BANDS

The Jazz Show Band is a group composed of music majors and advanced instrumentalists who perform for civic, social, high school, and college functions. Sponsor: Ricky Burks, 256.352.8277

KAPPA BETA DELTA

The purpose of Kappa Beta Delta is to encourage and recognize scholarship and accomplishment among students of business, management and administration pursuing associate degrees, and to encourage and promote personal and professional improvement and a life distinguished by honorable service to humankind. Contact Kathy Sides, 256.352.8126

Kappa Beta Delta member institutions are accredited through the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (formerly the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs). ACBSP was formed in 1988 as an accrediting body for business programs, and an Associate Degree Commission established standards in 1991 for accrediting programs at two-year institutions. Since its founding in June 1997, Kappa Beta Delta has been affiliated with ACBSP, and Kappa Beta Delta membership is available exclusively to students enrolled at schools accredited by ACBSP.

LAMBDA BETA

Lambda Beta is an organization of students interesting in promoting the profession of Respiratory Therapy. Lambda Beta is a chapter of the National Lambda Beta Society. The purpose of the organization is to promote, recognize and honor scholastic achievement, service and character of students, graduates, and faculty members of the Respiratory Therapy profession. The organization works to achieve the purpose by promoting achievement of high scholarly standards within the

chapter through the encouragement of membership and graduation with honors. Sponsor: Dr. Ken Crow, 256-352-8305

LAMBDA NU

The Alabama Alpha Chapter of Lambda Nu is a national honor society for the radiologic and imaging sciences. The purpose of the organization is to foster academic scholarship at the highest academic levels, promote research and investigation in the radiologic and imaging sciences, and recognize exemplary scholarship. Sponsor: James Malone, 256.352.8309

LEX ADJUTOR MAJUS (Paralegal Club)

LEX ADJUTOR MAJUS is an on-campus Paralegal Club comprised of full and part-time students majoring in Paralegal Studies. Realizing that the practice of law may be the most challenging and exciting as well as the most rapidly growing of all professions, paralegal students plan and hold seminars, hear guest lecturers, take field trips, and socialize in an atmosphere conducive to the advancement of the legal profession. Sponsor: Emily Johnston, 256.352.7877

LEX CORPUS

Law Enforcement students at Wallace State Community College have available to them this law enforcement/criminal justice society. Lex Corpus is dedicated to the uplifting of professionalism through training, through activity, and through formal and informal social interaction. Sponsor: Criminal Justice Faculty, 256.352.8279

MANE ISSUE, THE

WSCC's student news, "The Mane Issue", provides students the opportunity to participate in all facets of a news publication. "The Mane Issue", published approximately monthly, contains news about Wallace State events and topics of interest to students. News is done in print, online and by video. All students are invited to participate. Sponsors: Kristen Holmes, 256.352.8118 and Russell Moore, 256.352.8443

MEDICAL ASSISTANT STUDENT GROUP

The purpose and goals of the Wallace State Community College Medical Assistant Student Group is to promote and bring interest to the Medical Assisting Program and maintain the importance of the Medical Assisting profession including professionalism, confidentiality and loyalty to others. Contact Tracie Fuqua, 256.352.8321

MISS WALLACE STATE PAGEANT

The Miss Wallace State Pageant is held annually and is open to female students ages 17-24 who are full-time students attending Wallace State Community College. The winner of the Miss Wallace State Pageant is a contestant in the Miss Alabama Pageant; therefore, the Miss Wallace State Pageant conforms to the entrance rules of the Miss Alabama Pageant. Participants must never have been married or pregnant. This program is a preliminary to the Miss Alabama Pageant, which is affiliated with the Miss America Scholarship Program. Scholarships are awarded to all participants. For more information, contact Suzanne Harbin, 256.352.8144

MU ALPHA THETA

Mu Alpha Theta is a mathematics honor society for community colleges. The organization provides members with various avenues to showcase their mathematical knowledge and talents, while providing opportunities to learn from and interact with members across the United States. To qualify for membership in MAT you must have completed Math 112 or higher with a GPA of 3.0 in the qualifying math class or classes. Sponsors: Dr. Krystal Beasley, 256.352.8164, and Dana Adams, 256.352.8396

Eligible for Commencement Honors

MUSIC EDUCATORS' NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The purpose of this group is to afford students an opportunity for professional orientation and development. It is expected that benefits will accrue both to the students themselves and to the professional organization, as students gain an understanding in these areas:

1. The philosophy and function of the profession.
2. The basic truths and principles, which underlie the role of music in human life.
3. The importance of contacts with leaders in the profession.
4. The music industry's role in support of music education.
5. The knowledge and practices of the music educator.

Contact: Ricky Burks, 256.352.8277

PEP BAND AUXILIARIES

The students in the Pep Band Auxiliaries are both music majors and non-majors. The group is open to those who have an interest in College Music and sports activities. They will perform for the men and women home basketball games and other special athletic events. College credits can be earned by participants. All participants are chosen by audition. For more information, contact the Music Department at 256.352.8277.

PHI BETA LAMBDA

The purpose of the Wallace State Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda is to familiarize students with the opportunities available in business and office occupations. Phi Beta Lambda is an integral part of the instructional program; it promotes a sense of civic and personal responsibility. Members have an opportunity to compete in a number of skills events on the state and national levels. All students in the Business Department are urged to join. Sponsors: Business Department Faculty, 256.352.8126

PHI THETA KAPPA (ALPHA CHI TAU CHAPTER)

Alpha Chi Tau is the official chapter of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society at Wallace State Community College. Phi Theta Kappa is the only internationally accepted honor society serving institutions, which offer associate-degree programs. Membership is given added significance by the fact that the Society is recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges as the official honor society for two-year colleges.

The purpose of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarship among associate-degree students. To achieve this purpose, Phi Theta Kappa provides opportunities for the exchange of ideas and for stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

Membership in Phi Theta Kappa is extended by invitation only. To be eligible, a student must be enrolled in an associate-degree program, have completed at least twelve hours of course work leading to an associate degree, have a grade point average of 3.5 or better, exhibit good moral character, and possess recognized leadership qualities.

The members of Alpha Chi Tau are involved in the following activities: mentoring programs with at-risk students in area high schools, tutorial relationships with Wallace State students, community-service projects in Cullman County and in neighboring counties, and programs sponsored by Wallace State and other institutions to promote academic enrichment.

Sponsor: Stacey Sivley, 256.352.8241

Eligible for Commencement Honors

ROTARACT

This is a service organization for young professionals ages 18-30. Rotaract members will demonstrate the desire for leadership and building a strong work ethic with integrity. Rotaract members participate in giving back to their community by embracing the idea: service before self. Rotaract promotes the characteristics of responsible citizenship and effective leadership. Rotaract members are charged with the task of interacting with their communities businesses, government and civic leaders, networking with other young professionals, and addressing community service needs. Rotaract is a social club, a service organization and a friendship building outlet, students from all disciplines are encouraged to join. Sponsor: Terri McGriff-Waldrop 256 352-8072

SCHOLARS BOWL

Scholars Bowl is a challenging opportunity for students to test their knowledge on a variety of subjects. Questions cover topics on academics, arts, current events, and sports. Team practices are scheduled to accommodate students' schedules. The team also travels to different colleges for competition and hosts middle school, high school, and college competitions on campus. Sponsor: Christine O'Leary, 256.352.8112

SECULAR UNION

The Secular Union (SU) seeks to encourage acceptance, cooperation, and understanding among students of different backgrounds through charity work, social events, and speakers. Cooperation with non-profit groups and other campus clubs and organization are included among the group's goals. Sponsor: Bob Davis, 256.352.8265

SIGMA KAPPA DELTA

Sigma Kappa Delta is the National English Honor Society for two-year colleges. The Theta Delta Chapter of Sigma Kappa Delta was established in 2007 at Wallace State. Sigma Kappa

Delta provides the exceptional student with a variety of opportunities for advancing the study of language and literature, for developing skills in creative and analytical writing, for meeting other outstanding scholars and professionals in the discipline of English, and for obtaining scholarships. Sigma Kappa Delta is actively involved with Arts in April.

Requirements for membership are as follows:

1. Currently enrolled at Wallace State with a minimum overall GPA of 3.3
2. Completed one college English course with no English grade lower than a B
3. Completed at least 12 hours of college credit

Sponsor: Gayle Ledbetter, 256.352.8028

Eligible for Commencement Honors

SKILLS USA-VICA (VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CLUBS OF AMERICA)

Students enrolled in trade, industrial, technical, and health education are united by VICA through the understanding of the function and ethics of labor-and-management organizations. This understanding helps to create a respect for the dignity of work, which aids students in making their own vocational goals and developing the highest standards to achieve their goals. Contact the Dean of Applied Technologies, 256.352.8394

SONOGRAPHY CLUB

The Sonography Club is open to all WSCC students enrolled in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. The objective of the organization is to unite members of the Sonography Program to promote social and intellectual development and to aid in professional growth. For more information, contact the Sonography Department. Sponsors: April Sutherland and Donna Attaway, 256.352.8318

STUDENT DENTAL HYGIENE CLUB

The SDHC is open to any individual majoring in Dental Assisting at WSCC. The overall objective of the SDHC is to unite members of the Dental Hygiene profession for the purpose of increased interest and enthusiasm in the profession, to promote social and intellectual development, and to aid in professional growth. Sponsor: Teresa Ray-Connell, 256.352.8381

STUDENT PHYSICAL THERAPY ORGANIZATION

The Student Physical Therapy Organization (SPTO) is a professional organization made up of Physical Therapist Assistant students for the purpose of enhancing the total professional development of students, socially as well as academically. The club sponsors fund-raising and social events which help to foster class cohesiveness and afford a place for exchanging ideas and friendship. Sponsor: Alina Adams, 256.352.8332

TALKING HANDS CLUB

The Talking Hands Club participates in activities centered around Deaf culture and sign language. Participants actively learn and practice sign language at each meeting. Members

also participate in community service projects. Anyone is eligible for membership; all students, teachers, and the community are invited to attend. Sponsors: ADA Staff, 256.352.8052

WSCC AMBASSADORS

The Wallace State Ambassadors serve as official representatives of Wallace State Community College during campus and community events. Wallace State Ambassadors gain valuable leadership and volunteer experience while making new friends and participating in many exciting events. Applications are available in office 202 of the Wellness Center. Wallace State Ambassadors must maintain a 2.0 GPA. Sponsor: Stephanie Eisner, 256.352.8019

WSCC ASSOCIATION OF NURSING STUDENTS

The WSCC Association of Nursing Students is the official organization and a constituent of the National Student Nurses Association. The primary function of the WSCC ANS is the socialization of the student nurse into the professional role of the Registered Nurse (RN). Membership in the WSCC ANS affords the student nurse opportunities to develop awareness of issues that affect not only RNs but also the entire health care community and systems. Students are encouraged to join and actively participate to learn more about the political process and legislative initiatives affecting nursing, participate in community service projects, and develop professional networks between colleagues. Membership in WSCC ANS is voluntary and open to all pre nursing, practical nursing (LPN) and Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) students. Sponsor: Shea Mobley, 256.352.8068

WSCC DEMOCRATS

The Cullman-Blount County Young Democrats (CBCYD) is an organization that is affiliated with the Alabama Young Democrats and dedicates itself to promote a better world with equity, opportunity and freedom with a just and strong society. Projects include encouraging voter registration and increasing political awareness among others. Sponsors: Susan Beck, Stacey Brunner and Karen Johnson; call 256.352.8339

WSCC HOMECOMING QUEEN AND COURT

The date for Homecoming is set by the Athletic Director at Wallace State Community College. The following criteria are used in the selection of the WSCC Homecoming Queen and Court:

1. Students who desire to be placed on an official ballot for election shall announce their intentions at the appropriate time and place and shall follow any and all rules set forth by the Homecoming Committee.
2. Each participant must be in good academic standing at the College.
3. Each participant must be willing to represent the College in photographs and in marketing for the college.
4. Participants must also be willing to represent the College at various civic and community events sponsored by the College.

Each candidate will be screened by a Homecoming Committee. The Homecoming Committee is charged with the responsibility of selecting the best ten representatives from the participants by means of evaluating submitted applications and conducting personal interviews with all contestants if needed.

Voting will take place preferably two weeks prior to Homecoming. The dates and times for voting will be announced, and all WSCC students are eligible to vote. The SGA Advisor will assign a committee to count the votes.

The names of the top four or five participants receiving the largest number of votes will be posted following the tabulation of the votes; however, the name of the Homecoming Queen will be held until the Homecoming Game. For more information, contact Lion Central at 256.352.8236

WSCC STUDENT VETERANS ORGANIZATION:

WSCC Student Veterans Organization (SVD) will promote a veteran-friendly campus and provide a social network for students from diverse backgrounds that share the common bond of knowing selfless sacrifice for their country while striving to enrich their individual lives through educational success. Sponsor: Virginia Barber, 256.352.8186