

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

18. STUDENTS IN DISTRESS & AT RISK

The Student Development and Services Division strives to provide a welcoming, supportive and safe environment for our diverse student population. This type of environment enhances students' ability to learn and to achieve their highest potential. We recognize that the health and well-being of our students, staff and faculty are essential to carrying out the mission of the college. To this end, we've prepared a guidebook to help faculty and staff identify and assist students who may be experiencing academic difficulty and/or emotional distress. This guidebook is designed to increase awareness of potential at-risk student behavior and specify appropriate and timely intervention in response to these behaviors.

It is our hope that the information in this guide will be useful to you as you interact with students in the classroom and throughout the college. Please use this as a reference; however, if confronted with a crisis or emergency situation, you should follow the protocol outlined in specific sections of the Emergency Action Plan that most appropriately addresses the nature of the crisis that you are dealing with.

The guidebook is set forth in its entirety in Appendix G of the Emergency Action Plan.