

**BURRELL COLLEGE
OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
POLICY MANUAL**

SECTION: Facilities

BCOM Policy B4012

TOPIC: Firearms

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POLICY

All members of the College community, as well as visitors, are prohibited from possessing firearms on the premises of the College, regardless of whether a federal or state license to possess the same has been issued to the possessor, unless the possessor qualifies under one or more of the following exceptions:

1. a Peace Officer;
2. security personnel authorized by the NMSU Chief of Police or designee;
3. a person conducting or participating in a college-approved program, class or other activity involving the carrying of a Firearm; or
4. a person older than nineteen years of age on College premises in a private automobile or other private means of conveyance, for lawful protection of the person's or another's person or property.

Whoever commits unlawful carrying of a firearm on the College campus is subject to disciplinary action including filing of a criminal complaint through federal, state, and/or local law enforcement. [Applicable Statute: Section 30-7-2.4 NMSA 1978, et seq. Unlawful carrying of a firearm on university premises].

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL(S):

Asst. VP of Administration

DEFINITIONS:

Firearm: Any device that shoots a bullet, pellet, flare, tranquilizer, spear dart, or other projectile, whether loaded or unloaded, including those powered by CO2. This includes but is not limited to guns, air guns, dart guns, pistols, revolvers, rifles, shotguns, cannons, plastic firearms made with 3D printers or copying technology, and any ammunition for such device.

PROCEDURES:

1. The College shall conspicuously post notices on the College premises that state it is unlawful to carry a firearm on College premises.
2. This policy shall be reviewed annually to ensure compliance with NMSU policy and referenced in the Annual Safety and Security Report.

CROSS-REFERENCES:

Employee Handbook, Student Handbook, Policy B4010, Policy B4013