

**CLOVER PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE  
POLICY**

CHAPTER	SECTION	TITLE	HISTORY		
			1	11	Academic Freedom
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The Clover Park Technical College Board of Trustees affirms that academic freedom is an essential component of the entire college learning community (faculty, staff, administration, and students). Academic freedom is the right to express ideas without external influence or pressure in order to foster an environment that promotes open, intellectually engaging and diverse thought. The pursuit of knowledge must allow for the freedom for open intellectual inquiry, the ability to innovate and challenge conventional wisdom, and to explore new reasoned lines of thought, tempered by intellectual discipline and relevant to the topic of study. Academic freedom is defined separately for students in WAC 495C - 121 - 040.

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