



Name of Policy: Assembly and Demonstration Policy
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Policy:

The Kansas City Art Institute provides members of its campus community with the right to free and open assembly. This right is based on appropriate time, place, and manner cues, and provided under the guideline that any activities or demonstrations will be non-violent and non-destructive toward people and property, and not disruptive to the functioning of the college.

If members of the campus community wish to hold an assembly/demonstration on the KCAI campus and/or property, or at a KCAI sponsored event, they may do so only after receiving permission from the Vice President and Dean of Students or Assistant Dean of Students. While the opportunity to express support or dissent for a particular view or situation is welcome, anyone wishing to demonstrate must also respect the right of others in the campus community to disagree. While disagreements on issues should be expected, any and all dialogue is expected to be conducted in a civil and respectful manner.

A request to assemble and/or demonstrate will not be denied based on content/viewpoint, but KCAI Administration reserves the right and has a duty to uphold the mission and values of the college and may need to work with individuals making a request to ensure that said assembly/demonstration is executed within the guidelines of all relevant KCAI policies that govern those who may be involved.

College officials reserve the right to remove people from an assembly/demonstration, stop an assembly/demonstration in progress if the guidelines for assemblies/demonstrations have not been/are not being followed, and/or deny a request to assemble/demonstrate on KCAI property or at a KCAI sponsored event if doing so will hinder the college from carrying out the mission and/or an event from occurring.

The college does not want to hinder those who wish to be involved in peaceful, non-violent assemblies/demonstrations, but strives to ensure that members of

the campus community are safe and supported as they pursue their artistic, professional, and personal development.

Guidelines and procedures for assemblies/demonstrations

In order for an assembly/demonstration to occur on the KCAI campus and/or property, or at a KCAI sponsored event, the following guidelines must be followed:

1. Provide advanced notice of the intent to organize an assembly/demonstration to the Vice President and Dean of Students or the Assistant Dean of Students. Notice can be made in person or via email. The Dean or Assistant Dean may request additional conversations and/or meetings with participants and/or other college officials to discuss the request and details of the assembly/demonstration.
2. The Vice President and Dean of Students or Assistant Dean of Students will notify the individual(s) requesting participation in an assembly/demonstration of the approval or denial of the assembly/demonstration.
3. If approved, make an official campus reservation for space through the President's Office.

Once approved, it is expected that:

1. Participants do not gather in such a fashion as to physically hinder entrances to, exits from, or passageways within any college entrance, building, or other location.
2. Do not create noise at a volume that is disruptive to the functioning of the college.
3. All activity must be nonviolent in nature to people and property.
4. Participants will respect the rights of others to disagree, or not be involved.
5. If individuals wish to use posters and/or signs, or install art as part of an approved assembly/demonstration, they must follow the procedures outlined in the KCAI posting policy and/or art installation on campus policy and secure approval for these items as well.