

## **Demonstration Guidelines**

TCU recognizes the value of fostering discourse and encouraging the free exchange of ideas. Because the rights of free speech and peaceable assembly are fundamental to the democratic process, TCU firmly supports the rights of all members of the University community to express their views or to protest against actions and opinions with which they disagree. At the same time, all members of the University community share the responsibility to maintain a campus atmosphere consistent with the University's mission to preserve the dignity and seriousness of University ceremonies and public exercises and to respect the rights of all individuals. All members of the TCU community have the right to demonstrate on University premises, provided that they follow the letter and spirit of these Demonstration Guidelines.

1. Demonstrations must be organized and implemented without violating policies outlined in the TCU Student Handbook. Anyone intending to demonstrate must register the event with the University no less than 48 normal business hours in advance (excluding weekend and/or university official calendar holidays) by the Dean of Campus Life or Dean's designee. Under compelling circumstances, the 48-hour notification requirement may be waived by Campus Life - Dean's Office or Dean's designee.
2. Demonstrations must be sponsored by a recognized student organization or administrative unit. A student organization's faculty or staff advisor must be present during the entire event if:
  - a. the event is publicized outside of the TCU Campus; or
  - b. so requested by the Dean of Campus Life (or designee).
3. Demonstrations are limited to appropriate public forums – locations that, by tradition and/or university policy, can be reserved and are available for public assembly and speech. Reservations for use of campus facilities/areas are required and Student Affairs staff will work with the requesting parties to determine specific locations and event times during the registration process. Space must be suitable for the intended use and expected attendance. Demonstrations cannot exist within University buildings, including faculty or administrative offices, classrooms, and instructional facilities.
4. Demonstrations may not block free entry or free exit of any building or space or interfere with free movement.
5. Demonstrations may not, because of their timing, location, type of behavior, or for any reason, materially disrupt University activities, invade the rights of others, or involve substantial disorder.

6. Demonstrators shall vacate the premises when ordered to do so by duly authorized University personnel.
7. Demonstrators must not, through speech or action, incite immediate violence or pose a clear and present danger to the campus community.
8. No person or group shall interfere with an approved demonstration conducted in accordance with these guidelines.
9. Conducting a demonstration at a time or place other than when and where approved will be considered a violation of the Demonstration Guidelines.

If additional security measures must be implemented because of a demonstration, the student organization or administrative unit sponsoring the demonstration will be expected to pay the costs of additional security.

If disputes arise over the interpretation of these guidelines, the Dean of Campus Life (or designee) will settle the dispute when the disputing parties have presented their concerns and opinions in writing. Violations of these guidelines reported by any member of the University community may result in disciplinary action.

## **Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) Policy**

TCU values the safety, security and privacy of our community. The personal use of any unmanned aerial vehicle (i.e, drones) is prohibited on campus, unless approved by the Vice Chancellor for Marketing and Communication (or his/her designee) or the Provost (or his/her designee) specifically for research and educational purposes. Approval must be obtained two (2) weeks prior to the event in order to implement security measures. In addition to having the UAV confiscated, any individual found in violation may be fined up to \$500 in addition to other sanctions deemed appropriate. Further, any operator of an unauthorized UAV will be held personally responsible for any injuries or damage caused by the UAV. Policies, procedures and guidelines may be found online at [www.mkc.tcu.edu](http://www.mkc.tcu.edu) under the resources tab.

## **Promotional Signage Policy - Campus Signs, Poster, and Promotional Materials**

Texas Christian University encourages and supports the widespread promotion of all sanctioned campus events and activities as a vital part of a thriving university community. At the same time, the university recognizes that an attractive physical environment is critical to the overall advancement of the university.

Therefore, it is essential that printed posters, signs, notices and other materials distributed on campus be in good taste and posted in a manner that does not detract from the physical appearance of the campus, block walk-