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FREEDOM OF SPEECH

Morehead State University ensures the right to free speech and expression, and encourages the timely and rational discussion of topics whereby the ethical and intellectual development of students and general welfare of the public may be promoted.

The generally accessible, open, outdoor areas of the campus are maintained as traditional public forums for students to express their views. In this regard, the University grants students the broadest possible latitude to speak, write, listen, challenge, learn, and discuss any issue; including ideas

considered by some or most members of the University's community to be offensive, unwise, disagreeable, conservative, liberal, traditional or radical. However, these rights shall not be construed to grant students the right to engage in conduct that intentionally, materially, and substantially disrupts another's expressive activity if that activity is occurring in a campus space previously scheduled or reserved for that activity or under the exclusive use or control of a particular group. Students shall not substantially obstruct or otherwise substantially interfere with the freedom of others to express views they reject so that a lively and fearless freedom of debate and deliberation is promoted and protected.

In all circumstances regarding free speech, the University reserves the right to regulate the time, place and manner. Any regulation by the University will be reasonable, justified without reference to the content of the regulated speech, narrowly tailored to serve a compelling governmental interest, and limited to provide ample alternative options for the communication of the message.

Morehead State University's <u>Campus Free Speech Protection</u> <u>policy (PG-65)</u> can be read in its entirety online. For information about public outdoor forums, please see: <u>Freedom of Speech - Outdoor Public Forums on Campus</u>.

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