

**3354: 1-30-09 Policy regarding the promotion of available suicide prevention programs on and off campus.**

(A) Purpose

- (1) The College is committed to providing appropriate mental health resources and information to its students, faculty, and staff. This policy is intended to provide resources to the College community in the interest of deterring, preventing, and discouraging suicide attempts by individuals struggling with suicidal ideations. This policy and the requirements contained within are in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 3345.37.

(B) Suicide Prevention Program

- (1) The College will provide access to suicide prevention information and resources to the Collegewide community and develop and implement communication and outreach plans as follows:
  - (a) Crisis intervention access – including information for national, state, and local suicide prevention hotlines;
  - (b) Mental health program access – including information on the availability of local mental health clinics, health services, and counseling services;
  - (c) Multimedia application access – including crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs, resources offered, and free-of-cost applications;
  - (d) Student communication plan – including plans for outreach regarding educational and outreach activities on suicide prevention; and
  - (e) Postvention plan – including a strategic plan to communicate effectively with students, staff, and parents after the loss of a College community member(s) to suicide.
- (2) The following information must be posted on the College's web site:
  - (a) Crisis intervention access – including information for national, state, and local suicide prevention hotlines;
  - (b) Mental health program access – including information on the availability of local mental health clinics, health services, and counseling services; and
  - (c) Multimedia application access – including crisis hotline contact information, suicide warning signs, resources offered, and free-of-cost applications.

(3) All incoming students must be provided with:

- (a) Information about mental health topics, including depression and suicide prevention resources available to them; and
- (b) Notice of available mental health services and other support services, including student-run organizations for individuals at risk of or affected by suicide.

(C) The Vice President for Access & Completion or the Vice President for Access & Completion's designee is responsible for the implementation and oversight of this policy.

Effective date: October 14, 2016