POLICY: Social Media<br>Number: 5.5.12

Responsibility: Human Resources<br>Last Updated: February 21, 2023<br>State Policy/Law: SBTCE Policy 8-0-108: Social Media

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The Technical College of the Lowcountry (TCL) expects the appropriate use of social media by College employees. Disciplinary action may result from the use of institutional and personal social media accounts in a manner that is inconsistent with the guidelines that follow. The policy prohibits the disclosure of confidential information, misrepresentation, representing the College in a manner not authorized by the College President or his/her designee(s), unprofessional conduct or language, defamation, conveying or accepting endorsements on behalf of the College, and any other social media activity that violates College policies or procedures or reasonably could be expected to adversely affect the efficient operations of the College.

All College policies and procedures that cover employee conduct also apply in the social media environment. Any violation(s) of such policies and/or procedures may result in disciplinary action regardless of whether the conduct at issue consists of one or more of the specific activities identified herein. The Technical College of the Lowcountry expects all employees to interact in ways that promote cooperation and mutual respect.

