

August 24, 2024

Hello Bobcat!

By now you have had a chance to attend one of our mandatory Housing Orientation Sessions. If you're a new student, you've also been assigned our Alcohol EDU/Sexual Assault Prevention Modules through D2L, which are due Sept. 19, 2024.

We want to encourage healthy choices and academic focus here at East Georgia State College. To that end, [EGSC has a zero-tolerance for alcohol or drugs, including marijuana.](#)

As a reminder, Housing is allowed to inspect through your personal belongings to identify any drugs, alcohol, or health and safety violations. This means we can open handbags, bookbags, dresser drawers, etc.

Conduct sanctions for drug-related violations include the potential to be temporarily or permanently removed from the Bobcat Villas, mandatory counseling assessments, fines ranging from \$100-\$300, community service hours from 20- 30 hours, and parental notification per FERPA regulations.

Legal consequences include a citation or arrest by our Post- Certified EGSC Police. This is a separate legal consequence to be resolved in the Emanuel County/Swainsboro Court System.

Conduct sanctions for alcohol-related violations include suspension from the Bobcat Villas from one semester to a permanent ban, mandatory counseling assessments, fines ranging from \$100-\$300, community service hours from 20 - 30 hours, and parental notification per FERPA regulations.

Legal consequences include a citation for underage drinking by our Post-Certified EGSC Police. This is a separate legal consequence to be resolved in the Emanuel County/Swainsboro Court System.

Any EGSC student who is convicted, under the laws of this state, the United States, or any other state, of any felony offense involving the manufacture, distribution, sale, possession, or use of marijuana, a controlled substance, or a dangerous drug shall as of the date of conviction be suspended from EGSC. Such students shall also be denied as of the date of the conviction, be denied state funds for any loans, grants or scholarships administered under the Georgia Student Finance Commission.

Before returning to campus following an arrest, any student must notify and obtain permission from Cynthia Reese, Director of Student Conduct.

The EGSC Counseling & Disability Services Office has resources available to any student who needs help and support with alcohol, drugs, or tobacco. If you are in need of assistance with drug use or alcohol use, please contact our [counseling services for different resources](#).

Respectfully,
Gage Dowling, Director of Housing

