

**Approved By:** President

**Date Approved:** January 8, 2016

1. **Summary:** This policy establishes what weapons are authorized to be on campus and who may possess them.
1. **Rationale:** This policy is necessary in order to help maintain the highest level of safety within the bounds of applicable federal, state, and local laws that is also reflective of the College's values and conducive for academic study.
2. **Entities Affected:** any person on Criswell College property
3. **Definitions:** Not applicable.
2. **Policy:** Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by holder of license to carry a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (license to carry a gun), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun. The only exceptions to this are for authorized law enforcement and certain qualified employees approved by the College's administration. Only uniformed law enforcement and uniformed Criswell security officers are permitted to open carry on the College campus. All other authorized handgun carriers must conceal their handguns while on the College campus. The possession of unauthorized firearms, toy guns, fireworks, explosives of any nature, and any instrument designed as a weapon of aggregation is prohibited on the campus property. Possession of any of these items can result in disciplinary action and criminal charges being filed. Any student or staff member who observes an individual in possession of any of the above-mentioned items on campus should contact Campus Police immediately.
4. **Procedure:**
  - a. **Implementation:** The Chief of Police is responsible for the implementation of this policy.
  - b. **Responsibility for Compliance:** Chief Business Officer
  - c. **Notification:** This policy will be posted on the College's website and periodically communication to all employees and students during the academic year as needed.

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Policy History

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