



National Technical Institute for the Deaf
**Summer Transition
Education Program**

Code of Conduct/participant Expectations and Responsibilities

Summer Transition Education Program (STP) is pleased that you will be participating this summer. We anticipate this program to be enjoyable, informative, and a positive learning experience. To assist you in preparing for your arrival to campus and to ensure that your experience is positive, we are communicating the following policies and guidelines that apply to STP. Complying with these guidelines will help to ensure that all participants treat one another, themselves, and RIT with respect and consideration. In addition to RIT's policies and guidelines, we expect that you, as a participant, will comply with all federal, state, and local laws. **Please read this and the STP Values form with your parent/guardian, sign it and return in the business envelope provided.**

Conduct Code:

Attendance: STP participants are required to attend 90% of all STP activities for the duration of the program. Accrued absences cannot exceed 72 hours or 3 days.

Leaving Campus: STP participants are not allowed to leave campus during the program unless the activity is part of STP's program. Any exceptions must be made between the participant, parent/guardian and the STP Staff.

Guest/Visitor Policy: No off-campus visitors are allowed on campus during the six-week program. Additionally, no non-STP participants or personnel are allowed on the residence hall floor for the duration of the program.

Leaving Residence Halls: participants are not allowed to leave residence hall rooms between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. All entrances to the residence halls will be locked for safety, and guests will not be issued main-door access or the room keys.

Quiet Hours: Quiet hours are established between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. Conduct in violation of these established quiet hours is forbidden. The STP staff and RC/RA/PA (resident coordinator, resident advisors/peer advisors) team shall determine when conduct is in violation of these quiet hours and have the right to suspend free-time and lower curfew if deemed necessary.

Residence Hall Room Assignments: STP participants must use the room to which they have been assigned and shall not occupy, sleep, or live in any other room for the duration of the program. Any activity in violation of RIT's policies and guidelines, including but not limited to, RIT's Student Conduct Process and Student Gender-Based and Sexual Misconduct Policy- Title IX, federal, state, or local laws shall be strictly prohibited.

Smoking/vaping: Smoking/vaping is prohibited at all times for the duration of the program.

Electronics: Use of cell phones during class and organized program activities (both social and educational) is prohibited, unless specifically allowed for educational purposes at the discretion and instruction of an instructor. Violation of this policy could result in confiscation of the device.

RIT Conduct Code (excerpts):

Alcohol: The consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited in all RIT residence halls regardless of age or circumstances.

Drugs: RIT explicitly prohibits use, possession, sale, manufacturing, or trafficking of illegal drugs on RIT property.

Theft: Attempted or actual unauthorized possession of RIT property or other personal or public property is prohibited.

Vandalism: Attempted or actual damages to or alteration of RIT property or other personal or public property is prohibited.

Fire Safety: Setting a fire, causing a false fire alarm, or causing an unreasonable situation that creates a fire-safety hazard is prohibited.

Sexual Misconduct: All forms of sexual activity not based on affirmative, mutual, knowing, and freely given consent, are expressly prohibited. Individuals who are incapacitated by prescribed medication, alcohol or other chemical drugs, or who are not conscious or awake are unable to provide consent to sexual activity.

Endangering Behavior: Conduct that threatens or endangers the health and/or safety of (a) person(s) is prohibited.

Any participant exhibiting any of the behaviors listed above may be subject to one or more of the following actions:

- **The parent(s) or guardians(s) may be contacted.**
 - **The participant may be asked to leave the program.**
 - **Notification to a local law enforcement agency should the nature of the behavior dictate such action.**
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