



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

Community Expectations and Responsibilities

Summer Transition Program (STP) is pleased that you will be joining us this summer. We believe you will enjoy this program, and it will be a positive learning experience. We would like to share the policies and guidelines for the program. Following these guidelines will help us make sure that all participants treat each other, themselves, and RIT with respect. In addition to RIT's policies and procedures, we expect you to follow this Community Expectations and Responsibilities agreement ("RIT Policies") and all applicable federal, state, and local laws. STP staff have the sole discretion to determine if any RIT Policies or applicable laws have been broken. The STP director has the right to ask a student to leave the program for **any** violations of policy, guidelines, rules, or laws. When asked to leave the program, the student cannot participate in any aspect of the program, including but not limited to classes, field trips, or on-campus residence assignments.

Please read this form with a parent or guardian.

Community Expectations and Responsibilities:

Community Conduct: All students must be respectful of each other. All students must accept personal responsibility. RIT's Code of Ethical Conduct and Compliance: <https://www.rit.edu/academicaffairs/policiesmanual/c000>

- **Classroom:** Sleeping in class, coming to class late, distractions and use of technology without teacher permission will not be accepted. If you are asked to leave class, the time will be counted against you.
- **Dorm:** A student's right to sleep or study is the most important. A roommate cannot block their roommate from entering or leaving their room. Students cannot go into unauthorized areas (roof, boiler room, storage room, other resident apartments/suites/rooms, ball room, etc.) without permission from RIT officials. Code of Conduct for RIT housing: <https://www.rit.edu/housing/2022-2023-terms-conditions#11-codes-of-conduct-for-rit-housing>

- **Quiet Hours:** Quiet hours are between **11:00 p.m.** and **7:00 a.m.** Any behavior that bothers others is not allowed. Here are some examples:
 - ringing doorbells
 - banging on doors, walls or floors
 - running in the halls
 - shouting or screaming
 - loud music
- **Off-campus:** When you are off-campus, you represent the RIT/NTID community. **The RIT Code of Ethical Conduct and Compliance applies when you are off-campus too.** Also, we want you to stay with the STP group and communicate with STP staff.

Attendance: STP students are required to attend 90% of all STP courses. Further, STP students are required to attend all field trips.

Leaving Campus by Yourself: STP students must stay on campus until the end of the program unless attending a STP approved trip.

Guest/Visitor Policy: Off-campus visitors are **NOT** allowed on campus during the six-week program, except for move-in at the beginning of the program.

Leaving Residence Halls: STP students are required to be in the dorm between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. All entrances to the dorms are locked for safety. If you get locked out, contact Public Safety at 585-205-8333 using text or 585-475-2853 using voice.

Residence Hall Room Assignments: STP students will have a roommate. Each student must live in the room they are given for the six-week program. Please see an STP leader with questions or special situations.

Smoking/vaping: In accordance with New York State law, you must be 21 years or older to smoke/vape in New York. This prohibition applies on-campus or on any program-sponsored field trip. It prohibits the use or possession of cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, powdered tobacco, shisha or other tobacco products, herbal cigarettes, liquid nicotine, and electronic cigarettes. .If you are 21 or older, smoking/vapingSmoking/vaping is only allowed only in specially designated areas on campus. RIT policy prohibits having, eating, using, making, growing, giving, selling, or buying any cannabis product on RIT's property or any off-campus RIT activity or event.

RIT Conduct Code (excerpts):

Alcohol: RIT does NOT allow alcohol anywhere on the RIT campus, including dorms.

Cannabis/Drugs: RIT does NOT allow the use of cannabis or illegal drugs on RIT property or at RIT activities/events.

Theft: If any student steals or tries to steal things that are not theirs, they may be asked to leave the program by the STP director.

Vandalism: If any student damages RIT property or other personal property, they may be asked to leave the program by the STP director.

Fire Safety: If any student starts a fire, causes a false fire alarm, or engages in conduct that creates a fire-safety danger, they may be asked to leave the program by the STP director.

Gender-Based and Sexual Misconduct: Gender-based and sexual misconduct, as defined in RIT Policy (D19.0) is strictly prohibited. Students are expected to refrain from engaging in Prohibited Conduct (D19.0(III)) and comply with the policy's definition of Affirmative Consent (D19.0(IV)(B)). Sexual activity must be agreed to by all people involved. Any student who is NOT able to make a clear decision because of drugs or alcohol, or who is not conscious or awake, is NOT able to consent (agree) to sexual activity.

Link to RIT Policy (D19.0):

<https://www.rit.edu/academicaffairs/policiesmanual/d190-interim-policy-student-gender-based-and-sexual-misconduct-policy-title-ix#:~:text=0%20Student%20Gender%2DBased%20and%20Sexual%20Misconduct%20Policy,-I.&text=State%20laws%20prohibit%20discrimination%20in,vio%2C%20domestic%20violence%20and%20stalking>)

Endangering Behavior: If any student hurts or threatens to hurt another person, or shows dangerous behavior, they may be asked to leave the program by the STP director.

Bullying: Bullying of any kind (in person, cyberbullying, social media, etc.) will NOT be accepted. Bullying is unwanted, repeated and hurtful behavior that is real or felt by a person. If any student bullies another person, they may be asked to leave the program by the STP director.

****The STP director has the right to ask a student to leave STP if they break more than three guidelines and/or miss more than 10% of their classes.****