BOG Rule 1.6- Student Rights

At West Virginia University, individuals reporting or with a complaint that falls under the jurisdiction of Board of Governors Rule 1.6 are afforded certain basic rights. The University will take the appropriate steps to end the misconduct, prevent any further misconduct or retaliation, remedy the effects of misconduct, and eliminate any hostile environment that has been created.

To that end, this form is to notify you that you have the right:

* To be entitled to a fair and impartial investigation of the complaint;
* To file a civil or criminal complaint in addition to any complaint filed as part of the institution’s process under BOG Rule 1.6;
* To be protected from further prohibited conduct through supportive measures during an investigation;
* To have your privacy respected to the extent permissible by law; although, confidentiality cannot be guaranteed;
* To be encouraged to protect the sensitive nature of the investigation, but neither party is restricted in discussing the allegations under investigation;
* To bring forth any witnesses (including expert witnesses) and evidence relevant to the investigation; although the burden of gathering sufficient evident to reach a determination rests with the University and not with the parties;
* To be given periodic status updates;
* To have your complaint investigated within a prompt and reasonable time frame;
* To be protected from retaliation;
* To understand consequences for providing knowingly false statements or submitting false information.
* To review all relevant information at least ten (10) days prior to a Student Conduct hearing;
* To be notified of the outcome of an investigation and any sanctions that relate to you;
* To appeal the results of a Student Conduct Hearing, if any;
* To pursue an informal resolution of the complaint;
* To have a lawyer and/or advisor participate in any stage of the process;
* To have a copy of the WVU Board of Governor's Governance Rule 1.6 and WVU's Board of Governor's Governance Rule 6.1.

Provided to: Date:

Student Conduct Administrator: (eff 11-1-21)