

The College will make available to students a “Campus Sexual Assault Victim’s Bill of Rights”, consistent with the federal campus sexual assault victim’s bill of rights under section 485(f)(8) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. ~1092(f)(8)).

The Community College of Beaver County will act swiftly to protect the rights of all its members. Students who have been sexually assaulted have a variety of campus and area resources that are available to them. The College supports the victim’s right to choose which avenues of assistance are most appropriate. These resources include: Campus Security, to whom all crimes (including sexual assaults) should be reported, Title IX Coordinator, Title IX Deputy Coordinator, Counseling Services, the local police agency with jurisdiction, and the emergency department of the local hospital. Individuals who have been sexually assaulted have the following rights:

- To be treated with dignity.
- To be treated in a confidential manner consistent with applicable legal requirements.
- To contact local police and/or the district attorney to report the crime. Community College of Beaver County will assist the student in notifying proper law enforcement officials, if requested.
- To be informed of mental health counseling services on campus or in the community.
- To be free from pressure to not report the crime or to report it as a lesser offense.
- To be transported to the nearest medical facility approved for the collection of sexual assault evidence.
- To be informed of any federal or state rights to test sexual assault suspects for communicable diseases.
- To choose whether or not to have the case adjudicated through the College system, the criminal justice system, or both concurrently.
- To have the same opportunities for representation as the accused, and to have others present in campus proceedings.
- To be informed about the outcome of any investigation by the College, including any disciplinary action against the accused.
- To be afforded alternative class assignment if requested and reasonably available.
- To be given a copy of the College’s sexual assault policy. Individuals have the right to have any questions about College policy and the College judicial process answered.

Effective date

The original effective date of this procedure shall be January 6, 2014.