

Student

Board of Trustees Policy

SUBJECT: Good Samaritan 911 Policy	NUMBER: 3.4
	DATE: December 16, 2024
	SUPERSEDES:

This policy document directly relates to the Good Samaritan 911 Policy, of the SUNY Schenectady Board of Trustees, as hereto attached.

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Policy Summary:

The College's *Good Samaritan 911 Policy* supports students who reach out for assistance in the case of a medical emergency, as well as supports the student who is helped. Therefore, a student or student organization seeking medical treatment for him/herself, or for any other student who is in immediate medical need, or any student who is the recipient of this emergency medical help, will not be subject to disciplinary sanctions related to the violation of using or possessing alcohol or other drugs, as defined in the SUNY Schenectady Student Code of Conduct. This policy applies to emergencies both on and offcampus.

Purpose:

At the College, the health and safety of every student is of primary importance and all students are strongly encouraged to be empowered bystanders who respond in a potentially dangerous situation without fear of reprisal from the College. The College's *Good Samaritan 911 Policy* supports students who act responsibly by reaching out for assistance in the case of a medical emergency, as well as supports the student who is helped.

Application of the Policy:

A student is eligible to use the *Good Samaritan 911 Policy* on more than one occasion and students are always strongly encouraged to report a medical emergency. The positive impact of reporting a medical emergency will always hold the highest priority when determining the appropriate response for Code of Conduct policy violations.

Repeated use of the amnesty provided by the Policy is cause for a higher level of concern for the well-being of the student and amnesty in these cases will be individually reviewed.

Parental Notification:

Because parents are vital partners in the educational process and because the student can be best supported from home, the College typically contacts parents of students under 21 years of age in instances where there is evidence of risk to health, welfare or safety. In addition, the College may record names of those students involved to enable the College to follow up with the students as deemed necessary to ensure a student's well-being.