

COLORADO COLLEGE

Center for Service and Learning

Best Practices

- Travel to service ratios and the staff to student ratios are important considerations in program planning and development.
- All students participating in service uphold national and state laws and the policies and procedures of Colorado College.
- CSL Policy - Use of alcohol and/or drugs are not appropriate during service-related events, programs, or activities -- regardless of age, location or situation. Many if not all of the social issues that volunteers address are impacted to some extent by the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs (either directly or indirectly). If we are to be truly committed to helping those who are experiencing obstacles and difficulties in their lives, we do not want to be a part of something that enslaves and oppresses so many people in our society.
- CC policy - All drivers must be certified by CC transportation Services and follow all Center Transportation Guidelines.
- Risk and Release/Waivers for all volunteer participants must be on file with the Center before engaging in service.
- Support a cooperative model of leadership; co-leadership supports the demands of the block plan.
- Encourage students to consider options and consequences in the decision-making process.
- Promote an advisory role with student initiatives, while reserving the right to intervene when we feel the best interests of the college, the Center or the community may be jeopardized or compromised.
- Students are encouraged to be creative, limit costs, and seek multiple-funding options in establishing service programs, activities, or events.
- Promote an ethic of philanthropy among students.
- Recommend a buddy system at all times in all aspects of service endeavors.
- Priority is always given to partnerships with organizations that serve low-income or otherwise disadvantaged groups.
- If a student driver receives a traffic ticket, they are responsible for paying it in full - ie. speeding, parking. 10/6/08
- If a student driver is in an accident that results in the \$500 deductible our insurance charges, the CSL will pay \$250 of the deductible and the leaders of the organization, along with the driver, will determine how the remaining \$250 will be paid - ie. the student will pay the \$250, the student organization budget will absorb the \$250, some combination of the two, etc. 10/6/08

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