

2010 Annual Security and Fire Safety Report

The Western Iowa Tech Community College Security Department is responsible for gathering and publishing information and statistics required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act. Statistics regarding criminal activity are acquired from security department reports, reports from law enforcement agencies in Sioux City, Cherokee, LeMars, Mapleton and Denison and from designated college officials on each campus.

Authority of Campus Security

Western Iowa Tech Community College has a non-sworn security department based at the main campus in Sioux City. WITCC Security has the authority to issue campus citations for traffic and parking offenses. They have the authority to initiate vehicle and pedestrian stops on campus property for observed violations and investigatory purposes. They are responsible for the preliminary investigation of criminal actions which occur on campus and may contact local law enforcement at their discretion. Evidence of underage drinking will be reported to law enforcement. They have the authority to direct the actions of others on campus and the right to detain subjects for further investigation. They have the authority to conduct searches of student housing apartments, vehicles, book bags, or containers of any type and computers on campus property when there is reasonable suspicion of criminal activity or violations of WITCC rules and regulations. It is a reasonable and lawful request to ask residents at student housing to open their doors in any situation. They will report student code of conduct and behavioral violations, including refusal to cooperate with lawful requests, to the Dean of Students or designee for disciplinary actions.

The WITCC Security Department adopts the definitions of traffic violations as found in the Iowa motor vehicle law handbook (Chapter 321 and 321A-L) and the ordinances of Sioux City as they apply to the violations listed on the WITCC traffic/parking citation.

Policies and Procedures for Reporting Crimes

WITCC security officers can be contacted by calling 274-6414. On-campus or student housing reports of criminal or suspicious activity and violations of WITCC regulations can be made by calling 6414 (Security), 6417 (Housing), 1316 (Campus Emergency use only) or 911. These numbers are posted on the black courtesy phones around campus and in each housing unit. From off-campus or pay phones, reports can be made by calling 712-274-6414 or 1-800-352-4649, Extension 6414. While there are no formal written agreements with local law enforcement agencies in Sioux City, Le Mars, Cherokee, Mapleton and Denison, Western Iowa Tech Community College will support and cooperate with those agencies regarding the investigation of criminal offenses committed on campus property. Students, staff and faculty are encouraged to report emergencies, suspicious behavior or criminal activity immediately to either the Security Department at extension 6414 or the local law enforcement agency by dialing 911. In addition, you may report a crime or incident which may require the issuance of a timely warning to the following areas:

Sioux City

Dean of Students 274-6400 ext 1488 Kiser Building, Administration-Room A517
Associate Dean of Students 274-6400 ext 1336 Kiser Building, Admissions-Room A301
Human Resources Director 274-6400 ext 1220 Kiser Building, Room A242
Student Activities Director 274-6400 ext 1201 Kiser Building, Room A423
Campus Services Coordinator 274-6400 ext 1479 Kiser Building, Room A303

Cherokee and Le Mars

Director of Cherokee Campus and Northern Service Area 225-0238 Cherokee Campus, Room 114

Denison and Mapleton

Director of Denison Campus and Southern Service Area 263-3419 Denison Campus, Room A5

Student Housing employs a Residence Life Manager and a Resident Life Supervisor who work closely with Western Iowa Tech Security to maintain an environment that is both safe and conducive to study and relaxation. A call box outside Unit A-3 and a blue phone located in Housing parking lot 1 may be used to contact a security officer. The blue phone also can be used to contact law enforcement in an emergency. Blue phones are also located by the front door and on the ground floor patio of Bur Oak Suites. A police report must be filed for stolen or damaged property in order to file an insurance claim. Western Iowa Tech Security will assist you in collecting the necessary information.

Western Iowa Tech Community College does not have procedures for voluntary confidential reporting of crime statistics. All reports will be investigated. Violations of the law will be referred to law enforcement agencies and when appropriate, to the College judicial process.

Aggravated Assault	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
Burglary	0	2	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	2
Arson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hate Crimes-by prejudice (In addition to the crimes listed above, this section includes larceny-theft, simple assault, intimidation, property damage or other crime involving bodily injury)															
Race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Religion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sexual Orientation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethnicity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Disability	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of arrests/referrals for selected offenses															
Offense Type	2008		2009		2010		2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
	Housing	Other	Housing	Other	Housing	Other									
Liquor Law Violation: Arrest	45	0	34	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	34	3
Disciplinary Referral	30	0	40	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	40	16
Drug Law Violation: Arrest	3	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3
Disciplinary Referral	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	2
Weapon Law Violation: Arrest	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Disciplinary Referral	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

Security and Access to Campus Facilities

WITCC students, staff, and visitors have access to most campus buildings beginning at 7 AM until 10 PM, Monday through Thursday and 7 AM until 5 PM on Fridays. On Saturdays, Admissions, the front lobby area and the Library are open from 8 AM until noon. On Sundays and holidays the College is open for scheduled events only. Security is responsible for locking and unlocking designated buildings and for patrolling the campus grounds, buildings, and housing complexes. Students are responsible for securing their vehicles. Housing residents are responsible for security for their individual units at WITCC Student Housing. Security officers should be contacted at 274-6414 or 1-800-352-4649, extension 6414, to provide security services or assistance to students, staff, and campus visitors.

Escorts

While WITCC enhances the safety of students and staff through the use of lighting, landscape design, video surveillance and security patrols, the Security Department will also provide escort services to those who request them. This can be especially important during the evening hours or if there is a threat of harm. Please contact Security at 712-274-6414 or extension 6414 to arrange for an escort to your vehicle or Student Housing.

Programs Promoting Campus Security

Programs to encourage students and employees to be responsible for their own security and for the well-being of others occur in Orientation and on check-in at Student Housing. Instructional departments include units on crime prevention strategies and the Student Life Office, along with the Student Senate, disseminates printed materials related to crime prevention and safety precautions.

Student Criminal Activity Off-Campus

WITCC students are responsible to conduct themselves in a manner that maintains an educational environment that is conducive to learning. Students at WITCC are expected to conduct themselves as good citizens in the college community by respecting the

rights and property of others. All rules and regulations are in effect 24 hours a day at all WITCC facilities, including Student Housing. Regulations also apply for college-sponsored activities which are held off-campus. Incidents of student misconduct while participating in a college-sponsored event, either on or off campus, are reported to college authorities and are subject to disciplinary action.

Student Housing Missing Person Protocol

As part of the Higher Education Act of 2008, Western Iowa Tech Community College is required to advise students living on-campus of its missing person policy and protocol. All students living on-campus will be given the opportunity to identify an individual to be contacted in the event that the student is determined to be missing. This information is optional for students who have attained the age of majority. Juvenile students who are not emancipated and are living on-campus will be required to provide the contact information for their parent or legal guardian. Student Housing will ask for this information upon initial check-in. Students who decide not to provide third party contact information will be asked to sign a form noting such. This form will be placed in the student's housing file. If the student does provide contact information, it will be the student's responsibility to ensure that the information remains current. All contact information will be considered confidential.

Any missing persons report will be immediately forwarded to Campus Security and Student Housing for investigation. Upon determining that the student is missing, Campus Security will be responsible for notifying the individual identified as the student's contact. In addition, Campus Security will notify the Sioux City Police Department and the Dean of Students of the missing student. These notifications will take place no later than 24 hours after the time that the student has been determined to be missing and has not returned to campus.

Student Housing Fire Safety Protocol and Fire Incident Log

As part of the Higher Education Act of 2008, Western Iowa Tech Community College is required to advise the college community of annual fire safety reports for student housing. At Western Iowa Tech Community College, there are two housing complexes, Bur Oak Suites and Sun Ridge Court. Bur Oak Suites is dormitory style living. It is equipped with a sprinkler system, internal fire alarm system including CO2 monitor and smoke detectors in the common areas. In addition, there is a standalone smoke detector in suite. Fire extinguishers are placed throughout the common areas of the building. The alarm system is also connected to the main college alarm system. Fire drills are conducted four times a year on the main campus. These drills would also include Bur Oak Suites.

Sun Ridge Court consists of 10 apartment buildings. Each apartment has standalone smoke detectors and fire extinguishers located in the kitchen pantries. Due to the apartment style living and separate buildings in Sun Ridge Court, there is no fire alarm system in the complex and fire drills are not conducted.

Certain appliances **are not permitted** in the Student Housing units in Sun Ridge Court, they are as follows, but not limited to:

· Mini-Refrigerators · Mini-Dishwashers · Mini-Deep Freezers · Gas or Charcoal Grills · Mini-Laundry Machines

Other appliances not listed above must have prior approval by the Student Housing Management in order to avoid disciplinary action. There are several appliances that **are permitted** in the Student Housing units in either Bur Oak Suites or Sun Ridge Court, they are as follows, but not limited to:

· Electric Grills/Griddles · Toasters · Microwave Ovens · Coffee Pots

Candles, when burned, are a fire hazard and are not allowed in Student Housing units. However, they are allowed as decoration and can be used with a candle warmer.

Western Iowa Tech Community College is a smoke free/tobacco free campus. Smoking is not permitted on the college grounds or in vehicles on the campus.

At the beginning of each semester, Housing staff at each complex covers the procedures for evacuation with their residents. In addition, posters with directions for fire evacuation are posted on the inside of each apartment or suite door.

Western Iowa Tech Community College has created a training video, which is college specific, on procedures to follow in the event of a fire alarm. This video is posted on the myWIT homepage and is accessible to all students, staff and faculty. Fire extinguisher training is provided to employees of the College periodically. In addition, fire alarm procedures are listed in the College Emergency Action Plan which is available to staff and faculty through the myWit website.

Statistical information listing the number of fires, causes, number of injuries and deaths and property damage amounts may be found in the following chart:

FIRE SAFETY REPORT

	BUR OAKSUITES			SUN RIDGECOURT		
	2008	2009	2010	2008	2009	2010
Number of Fires	0	0	0	0	0	2
Number of Injuries	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Deaths	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property Damage Amount (\$200 or more)	0	0	0	0	0	\$500
Cause of Fire:						
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 9/22/10, grease fire in the kitchen of a Sun Ridge apartment. No damage. 2. 11/7/10, small fire in the bathroom of a Sun Ridge apartment. Approximately \$500 damage. 						

Policy for Drug and Alcohol Free College Community

The College shall endeavor to provide a healthy, safe, and secure educational environment. It is the policy of the Board that, within the powers of the College, reasonable measures shall be taken to establish and maintain a drug-free community as required by the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, the Drug-Free Schools & Communities Act/Amendment of 1988 (PL101-226), and applicable Iowa statutes. (WITCC Board Policy 506.6)

I. Policies Applicable to All

- A. The unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a mood-altering substance on College premises, or while conducting College business or attending any College function by employees or students is absolutely prohibited. Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment or expulsion.
- B. All students and employees are expected to report for their assignments unimpaired by the use of a mood-altering substance.
- C. The use of any prescription drug or medication with intent to induce mood alteration in a manner or amount not prescribed by an attending physician is prohibited while on College premises or while attending College functions.
- D. The ingestion of any nonprescription chemical on College premises with intent to induce mood alteration is prohibited.
- E. Any promotional material used for or in conjunction with College activities shall not include advertisement of alcoholic beverages.
- F. Mood-altering substances as used in this Policy include, but are not limited to, controlled substances as defined in federal and Iowa criminal statutes, and alcoholic liquor and beer.

II. Sanctions

- A. **Legal – Applicable to All**
Federal For the possession, manufacture, distribution, or dispensing of a controlled substance, the maximum penalty is 15 years imprisonment, a \$25,000 fine, or both and forfeiture of conveyances including vehicles. 21SUCS 841, 844, and 881.

Iowa For the manufacture, delivery, or possession of a controlled substance or conspiring to do so, the maximum penalty is 10 years imprisonment, a \$10,000 fine, or both. 204.401 Iowa Code, 1989.

Iowa On College premises, for the use or possession of a controlled substance and for the use and possession of any alcoholic liquor or beer, except as permitted by College. See College rules for penalty (may include suspension or expulsion). 279.9 and 280A.23(3) Iowa Code, 1989.

Sioux City For the use or consumption of alcoholic liquor, wine, or beer upon public streets and alcoholic liquor anyplace except premises covered by a liquor control license, the penalty is up to \$100.00 fine for each violation and up to \$200.00 fine for each repeat violation. 9.16.010 Municipal Code Sioux City, 364.22 Iowa Code, 1989.

B. College – Applicable to Students

1. Violation of this policy may result in imposition of one or more of the following sanctions.
 - a. Recommendation that the student seek an assessment at an accredited substance abuse agency and follow all subsequent recommendations.
 - b. Mandatory participation in a substance abuse program at an accredited treatment agency.
 - c. Required chemical dependency assessment within ten (10) days of imposition of sanctions at an accredited substance abuse agency and adherence to subsequent recommendations.
 - d. Suspension from school pending completion of an assessment at an accredited substance abuse treatment agency and adherence to all subsequent recommendations.
 - e. Dismissal, with a verbal recommendation that the student seek an assessment at an accredited substance abuse treatment agency and follow all subsequent recommendations.
2. In addition to or in lieu of any of the Penalties for “Act of Misconduct” under the General Conduct Section of the Student Handbook, when alcohol or drug abuse appears to be a factor, sanctions listed herein may be applied.

III. Miscellaneous

- A. When employees or students suspect another individual is having alcohol or other drug related difficulties, including difficulties with family or friends, they are encouraged to intervene by sharing their concerns with the individual, or they may contact the Dean of Students for confidential assistance on how best to help the person.
- B. When a student witnesses possession of alcohol or other drugs by another student or staff member, it is strongly suggested that he/she report the incidence to WITCC Security.
- C. When a staff member witnesses possession of alcohol or illicit drugs by a student, the following must be applied:
 1. The Security Department must be notified immediately.
 2. All persons believed to be in possession of illicit drugs must be reported to the local law enforcement agency.
 3. All persons of minority age believed to be in possession of alcohol must be reported to the local law enforcement agency.
 4. Following due process procedures, the Dean of Students or designee, the Residence Life Manager or designee, after consultation with the Security Department may apply one of the sanctions listed herein.

Drug and Alcohol Programs at WITCC

Prevention Services

Counseling services are available on the Sioux City campus on Thursdays. The College may make a referral to a community resource agency if necessary. Various drug and alcohol programs are offered throughout the semester.

Students Convicted of Possession or Sale of Drugs

A federal or state drug conviction can disqualify a student for Financial Aid funds.

Convictions only count if they were for an offense that occurred during a period of enrollment for which the student was receiving Federal Title IV aid—they do not count if the offense was not during such a period. Also, a conviction that was reversed, set aside, or removed from the student’s record does not count, nor does one received when he/she was a juvenile, unless he/she was tried as an adult.

The chart below illustrates the period of ineligibility for Federal Title IV funds, depending on whether the conviction was for sale or possession and whether the student had previous offenses. (A conviction for sale of drugs includes convictions for conspiring to sell drugs.)

Possession of illegal drugs		Sale of illegal drugs
1st offense	1 year from date of conviction	2 years from date of conviction
2nd offense	2 years from date of conviction	Indefinite period
3+ offenses	Indefinite period	Indefinite period

If the student was convicted of both possessing and selling illegal drugs, and the periods of ineligibility are different, the student will be ineligible for the longer period.

A student regains eligibility the day after the period of ineligibility ends or when he successfully completes a qualified drug rehabilitation program. Documentation of the date of conviction or successful completion of a qualified rehabilitation program may be requested by the Financial Aid Office.

Further drug convictions will make him/her ineligible again.

Sexual Abuse

Western Iowa Tech Community College is pledged to maintain an environment conducive to work and study for all persons. Accurate and prompt reporting of incidents of sexual abuse will be facilitated through the dissemination and discussion of materials covering the rights and responsibilities of students and employees and of policies governing appropriate conduct. Such dissemination and discussion will take place during student orientation and registration and at other times as deemed necessary. Information will be provided to all students about counseling services and campus security. Educational programs related to the means of preventing sexual abuse, of protection from sexual abuse, and of the rights and duties of students and employees will be provided on a periodic basis.

Any sex act between persons is sexual abuse by either of the participants when the act is performed with the other participant in any of the following circumstances:

1. The act is done by force or against the will of the other. If the consent or acquiescence of the other is procured by threats of violence toward any person or if the act is done while the other is under the influence of a drug inducing sleep or is otherwise in a state of unconsciousness, the act is done against the will of the other.

2. Such other participant is suffering from a mental defect or incapacity which precludes giving consent, or lacks the mental capacity to know the right and wrong of conduct in sexual matters.

3. Such other participant is a child.

College assistance is available to victims to help them understand options available to them and referrals will be made to community resource agencies for counseling and legal recourse.

Information on registered sex offenders in the area may be obtained by contacting the Woodbury County Sheriff’s Office (Sioux City campus), the Cherokee County Sheriff’s Office (Cherokee campus), the Plymouth County Sheriff’s Office (Le Mars learning center), the Crawford County Sheriff’s Office (Denison campus), the Monona County Sheriff’s Office (Mapleton learning center) or **IowaSexOffender.com**

What to do if you are sexually assaulted:

Sioux City

Call your RA, Residence Life Manager or Supervisor, Campus Security, Council on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence, (CSADV) or the Sioux City Police Department.

Go to the emergency room at either hospital (at St. Luke's you will see a SANE nurse who is specially trained to care for sexual assault victims, at Mercy you will see an ER doctor, unless you are under 18)

You may ask someone to call the SART team (Sexual Assault Response Team – an advocate from CSADV, police officer and the SANE nurse or the doctor.) This is certainly your choice but it allows you to tell your story once rather than having to repeat it several times for all who may need to hear it. If a police report is made, you will be under no obligation to follow through with investigation and prosecution. That is a decision you may want to make at a later time.

Cherokee

Contact the Director of the Cherokee Campus, office staff, Campus Security or the Cherokee Police Department.

Go to the emergency room at Cherokee Regional Medical Center.

Le Mars

Contact the Director of the Cherokee Campus, Campus Security or the Le Mars Police Department.

Go to the emergency room at Floyd Valley Hospital.

Denison

Contact the Director of the Denison Campus, office staff, Campus Security or the Denison Police Department.

Go to the emergency room at Crawford County Memorial Hospital.

Mapleton

Contact the Director of the Denison Campus, Campus Security or the Mapleton Police Department.

Go to the emergency room at Burgess Memorial Hospital in Onawa or Crawford County Memorial Hospital in Denison.

Do not wash, bath, change clothes, or urinate if at all possible! You will be able to do that after the hospital visit. While this may be difficult to do, it is very important when gathering valuable physical evidence that can be used should a decision be made to pursue criminal charges.

You will not be responsible for any bill stemming from the assault, including treatment of any injuries that happened during the assault. The bills will be sent directly to Crime Victims Compensation in Des Moines. Also available under this program is counseling for the victim and any secondary victim (spouse, special friend, etc.)

Campus and Community Sexual Abuse Resources

Sioux City

WITCC Campus Security, 712-274-6414. Kiser Building Room L203. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus.

Sioux City Police Department, 712-279-6960 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in Sioux City.

Woodbury County Attorney's Office, 712-279-6516. Criminal prosecution of sexual assault cases. Also assistance is provided to crime victims regarding the legal process.

South Sioux City Police Department, 402-494-7555 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in South Sioux City.

Dakota County Attorney's Office, 402-987-2151. Criminal prosecution of sexual assault cases.

Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, 712-258-7233. Shelter and counseling referrals in Sioux City.

Haven House, 402-494-7592. Shelter and counseling referrals in South Sioux City.

Western Iowa Tech Community College Counseling Service, 712-274-6400 extension 1293. On campus counseling and referrals.

St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, 712-279-3500. 24 hour emergency medical services and examinations for sexual assault evidence.

Mercy Medical Center, 712-279-2010. 24 hour emergency medical services and examinations for sexual assault evidence.

Cherokee

WITCC Campus Security, 712-274-6414. To report sexual abuse on campus.

Cherokee Police Department, 712-225-6464/225-6728 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in Cherokee.

Cherokee Regional Medical Center, 712-225-5101. 24 hour emergency medical services and examinations for sexual assault evidence.

Cherokee County Public Health, 712-225-6718. Public health services including information regarding sexually transmitted diseases and testing, information on pregnancy testing and referrals.

Le Mars

WITCC Security, 712-274-6414. To report sexual abuse on campus.

Le Mars Police Department, 712-546-4113 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in Le Mars.

Floyd Valley Hospital, 712-546-7871. 24 hour emergency medical services and examinations for sexual assault evidence.

Plymouth County Public Health, 712-546-3335. Public health services including information regarding sexually transmitted diseases and testing, information on pregnancy testing and referrals.

Denison

WITCC Campus Security, 712-274-6414. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus.

Denison Police Department, 712-263-3195 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in Denison.

Crawford County Hospital, 712-263-5021. 24 hour emergency medical services and examinations for sexual assault evidence.

Crawford County Public Health, 712-263-3303. Public health services including information regarding sexually transmitted diseases and testing, information on pregnancy testing and referrals.

Mapleton

WITCC Security, 712-274-6414. To report sexual abuse on campus.

Mapleton Police Department, 712-881-1306 or 911. To report sexual abuse that occurred on campus or in Mapleton.

Monona County Public Health, 712-433-1773. Public health services including information regarding sexually transmitted diseases and testing, information on pregnancy testing and referrals.

Rights and Assurances for Sexual Abuse Victims

1. Your report will be taken seriously and you will be treated with dignity.
2. We will provide referrals to a sexual assault advocate who can assist you in understanding and evaluating options available to you.
3. We will help you notify the proper civil, criminal and administrative authorities, should you choose to do so.
4. You will not be discouraged from reporting the incident.
5. You will not be blamed for what happened.
6. You will be afforded the same rights as the accused in regards to campus disciplinary proceedings.
7. You will be notified promptly of the outcome of disciplinary proceedings.
8. You will have the cooperation of Campus Security personnel in obtaining and securing evidence that would assist in subsequent legal proceedings.
9. We will take reasonable steps to prevent unnecessary or unwanted contact or proximity with your assailant, including trespass warning letters. At your request, we will also help you find alternate housing and/or change your class assignments.
10. You have the right to counseling. We will help you locate these resources.

Western Iowa Tech Community College will not tolerate sexual abuse in any form. Students and College employees charged with sexual abuse can be prosecuted under Iowa criminal statutes and/or be disciplined under College disciplinary procedures. Disciplinary action for students includes the possibility of suspension or expulsion from the College. Employees may face disciplinary action up to and including discharge. Should students, staff or faculty become aware of incidents of sexual abuse, they should contact the Security Department as soon as possible for information and assistance.

Parking Permits and Registration of Vehicles

1. Parking Permits

For safety reasons, all motor vehicles driven by students and college personnel should be registered. Each vehicle is to have its own permit. Permits are not to be exchanged between vehicles. Students and staff on the WITCC main campus may have more than one vehicle registered. WITCC Housing parking permits are valid on the main campus.

2. Registration of Vehicles

Parking permits are free and can be obtained through the Cashier's Office located in the Robert H. Kiser Building (Building A). Please call 712-274-6400, extension 1210 or 712-274-6414 for more information. Housing and pink temporary parking permits may be obtained through the Housing Office located in Sioux City at 4701 Stone Avenue, A-3. Please call 712-274-8733, extension 6417 for more information.

Traffic and Parking Regulations

1. Parking

- All students and staff will adhere to the motor vehicle laws of the state of Iowa at Western Iowa Tech Community College.

- Driving a motor vehicle on campus sidewalks is prohibited.
- Bicycles may be used on campus walks, but must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians at all times. Bicycles are to be parked in the bicycle racks in designated areas. Bicycles may not be chained to light poles. Bicycles are not allowed inside the campus buildings.
- Skateboards, rollerblades, and scooters are not allowed inside campus buildings. These aforementioned items are not allowed to “Grind the Rails” on campus property. They may only be operated on campus streets, sidewalks or parking lots. Operators must yield the right of way to pedestrians.

2. Traffic

- All students, staff, and faculty will adhere to the traffic laws set forth by the state of Iowa and WITCC.
- The speed limit on the Western Iowa Tech main campus drive in Sioux City is 25 mph. The speed limit inside the parking areas is 10 mph.
- Western Iowa Tech drive in Sioux City is a **one-way street**.
- The inside lane is for turning left and for driving straight. The outside lane is for turning right and for driving straight. Do not make a left-hand turn into the parking areas from the outside lane.
- Pedestrians have the right-of-way. All vehicles will yield to pedestrians regardless of their location.

Parking and Traffic Fine Schedule

All parking and traffic citations are issued by Western Iowa Tech Security. All fines are recorded and put on the violator’s record. Handicapped parking violations are recorded through the state and will be put on the violator’s state driving record.

1. Parking Fine Schedule

Parking where permit is not valid.....	\$25.00
Failure to register or display valid permit	\$25.00
Blocking a sidewalk	\$25.00
No Parking zone.....	\$25.00
Unauthorized parking.....	\$25.00
Yellow curb.....	\$25.00
Loading zone.....	\$25.00
Reserved parking stall.....	\$25.00
Unattended vehicle on street	\$25.00
Visitor’s parking only.....	\$25.00
Parking on grass.....	\$50.00
Fire lane/red curbs.....	\$50.00
Driveway.....	\$50.00
Other violations.....	\$25.00–\$50.00
Handicapped (State Citation).....	\$100.00

2. Moving Violation Fine Schedule

Failure to display valid student ID/drivers license	\$25.00
Improper lane change.....	\$25.00
Speeding 1-10 mph over the speed limit	\$25.00
Speeding 11+ mph over the speed limit	Add \$2 for each mile over 10 mph
Reckless/careless driving	\$50.00
Failure to stop for pedestrian at/in crosswalk.....	\$50.00
Failure to have control.....	\$50.00
Wrong way on a one-way street	\$50.00
Failure to stop at a stop sign.....	\$50.00

NOTE: All fines double after the third offense.

Parking and traffic citations can be paid at the Cashier’s Window/Student Accounts located in the Robert H. Kiser Building in Sioux City, Iowa. Failure to pay a fine will result in a hold being placed on the student’s account, thus preventing future enrollment and transcript requests. Questions or appeals regarding a citation must be directed to the Security Supervisor.

The owners or drivers of vehicles with three or more violations will be required to appear before the Security Supervisor. Owners or drivers of vehicles with three or more violations will be in danger of losing their campus driving and parking privileges. Vehicles with multiple violations may also be towed at the owner’s expense. If you have any questions regarding parking and traffic at Western Iowa Tech Community College, please call Security at 712-274-6414.