

Policy on Campus Protests and Demonstrations

(Modified to make Associate Vice President/Dean of Students the first point of contact for both internal and external requests)

As an institution of higher education, Lincoln University respects and supports the sharing of various viewpoints on issues and topics that are at the forefront of the minds of our students, faculty, staff and the surrounding community.

In some cases, expression might be presented in the form of protests and demonstrations. While these particular activities are protected by federal and state laws, as well as university policy, Lincoln University does reserve its right to place reasonable restrictions on the location and manner of the activity.

Protest and Demonstration Locations

Organizations and individuals affiliated with Lincoln University may utilize the Scruggs University Center Outdoor Amphitheater, located on the east side of the building.

External organizations and individuals may utilize the sidewalk at the intersection of Chestnut and Dunklin Streets, west of Inman E. Page Library.

Advance Notice and Reservations

Organizations and individuals affiliated with Lincoln University wishing to utilize the Scruggs University Center Outdoor Amphitheater must contact the Associate Vice President/Dean of Students at 573-681-5502 a minimum of 48 hours prior to the planned activity to ensure space availability.

External organizations and individuals wishing to utilize the sidewalk at the intersection of Chestnut and Dunklin Streets must contact the Associate Vice President/Dean of Students at 573-681-5502 a minimum of 48 hours prior to the planned activity to ensure space availability.

Restrictions

The mission of Lincoln University is to provide excellent educational opportunities including theoretical and applied learning experiences to a diverse population within a nurturing, student-centered environment. These learning experiences are the main priority of the university and any intrusion on or interruption of this are prohibited. To protect the delivery of this mission, all demonstration and protest activities are limited to the outdoor areas identified in the Protest and Demonstration Locations section of this document. If at any time it is determined that a protest or demonstration infringes upon the pursuit of intellectual endeavors or the basic rights of others, university officials reserve the right to end the activity.

The support of the exchange of ideas is not an endorsement of any particular viewpoint on behalf of the university. Materials promoting the activity and viewpoint may be distributed prior to and during, but must not bear any Lincoln University logo or suggest endorsement.

Any organization or individual participating in a protest or demonstration activity on university property is expected to govern themselves according to federal and state laws, as well as any codes of conduct as stated in the Lincoln University Student Handbook and Lincoln University Rules and Regulations.