SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Procedure for Supervision of Part Time Officers

"The mission of the South Texas College Police Department is to provide a safe educational environment for students, faculty, staff, and campus visitors".

Texas State Education Code Section 51.203 empowers the governing board of a state institution of higher education to employ and commission peace officers to carry out the provisions of the Education Code.

Police officers from Texas Department of Public Safety, McAllen Police Department, Weslaco Police Department and the Rio Grande City Police Department are contracted to provide part time security for South Texas College.

Part time police officers will be supervised by South Texas College police Sergeants. The supervising Sergeant does not have to be physically present, but must be available by radio or have some other means of direct contact with the part-time police officer. The part time police officer will perform the duties outlined by the South Texas College Sergeant.

Since the part time officers are off duty, they will contact the dispatch office for assistance concerning non-violent and other matters requiring an active duty police officer response. Pursuant to Texas state law, a part time police officer who is off duty will respond to crimes committed in their presence and request assistance as needed.