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Your Degree is the Difference

Winter semester is underway and I hope you are enjoying your experience at GRCC. Please take time to review this information regarding resources, rights, and responsibilities of GRCC students.

<u>Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)</u> GRCC protects student information in accordance with students' FERPA rights. Details about your rights under FERPA are available <u>here</u>. If you have FERPA questions, contact the <u>Student Records Office</u> or call 616-234-4121.

Be sure to visit the GRCC student conduct page to familiarize yourself with the <u>Student Code of Conduct</u>. In particular, be aware of two important student conduct code sections:

<u>Drugs and Alcohol</u> GRCC prohibits the possession, use, and sale of alcohol and illegal drugs on campus. A copy of the College's Alcohol and Drug Policy can be found <u>here</u>. If you or someone you know is struggling with drug and alcohol abuse, please contact <u>Counseling and Career Development</u> for an appointment 616-234-3900; we can provide assistance and help you locate resources specific to your concerns.

<u>Sexual Misconduct</u> GRCC prohibits all forms of sexual harassment and sexual violence in accordance with our Sexual Misconduct policy. For a copy of the policy, as well as more information about what activity is prohibited, how to report a violation, or how to access resources if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual harassment or sexual violence, click <u>here</u>.

Additional resources designed to support students include:

<u>Emergency Alert/Campus Police</u> GRCC has an emergency alert system that will notify you by text and e-mail about closures or other emergencies. For a full list of services provided by Campus Police, click <u>here</u>.

<u>Disability Support</u> Students who need accommodations related to physical, mental, visual, or hearing impairments that may affect their academic experience, should call

616-234-4140 for information on how to register with Disability Support Services and what resources are available to assist you in the academic setting. More information can be found here.

Ethics Monitoring The College has a confidential system to bring forward concerns about possible ethics violations. If you feel you have witnessed or are the victim of an ethics concern (such as harassment, discrimination, intimidation, etc.), please contact the ethics hotline at 616-234-3169, or if the issue is with another student, contact the **Student Life and Conduct Office** at 616-234-4161. More information about our ethics policy is available <u>here</u>.

Any further questions about any of the policies discussed above can be directed to the Dean of Student Affairs Office at 616-234-3925, the Student Life and Conduct Office at 616-234-4161, or Campus Police at 616-234-4010. GRCC aims to provide each student a safe, secure, and successful college experience!

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