Shower Facilities for Homeless Students

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SIERRA COLLEGE ACTION PLAN - SHOWER FACILITIES FOR HOMELESS STUDENTS
This procedure represents Sierra College’s Action Plan to implement the requirements of Chapter 407, statutes of 2016 (AB 1995). This statute requires a community college campus with shower facilities to provide homeless students meeting certain criteria access to those facilities. Below is Sierra College’s plan for allowing access to shower facilities for homeless students.

WHO MAY USE SHOWER FACILITIES:
Homeless Students (As defined in the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act – see below): A homeless student taking at least one credit course during the semester and maintaining enrollment in that course throughout the semester.

HOURS OF OPERATION/LOCATION OF SHOWER FACILITIES:
- Showers are available from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday when classes are in session. Classes are in session during Fall, Spring and Summer semesters.
- Showers are not available on weekends, during district holidays and between semester terms.
- Shower locations: Men’s and Women’s Locker Rooms in the Gym/Building G
- Scheduling of collegiate athletic events may, from time-to-time, disrupt this schedule. Contact the Dean of Athletics at 916-660-8100 if the showers are closed during athletic events.

DEFINITION OF HOMELESS STUDENT:
McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. Sec. 11434a(2))
(1) The terms “enroll” and “enrollment” include attending classes and participating fully in school activities.
The term “homeless children and youths”—(A) means individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence (within the meaning of section 11302(a)(1) of this title); and (B) includes—

(i) children and youths who are sharing the housing of other persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional shelters; are abandoned in hospitals; or are awaiting foster care placement;

(ii) children and youths who have a primary nighttime residence that is a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings (within the meaning of section 11302(a)(2)(C) of this title);

(iii) children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, or similar settings; and

(iv) migratory children (as such term is defined in section 6399 of title 20) who qualify as homeless for the purposes of this part because the children are living in circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).