

Behavior Assessment and Recommendation Team

Summary

University Policy on the purpose and functions of a BART team.

Purpose

To provide guidance on the purpose and functions of a BART team.

Policy

BART(Behavioral Assessment & Recommendation Team)

Identifying, Assessing, and Reducing Threats in Order to Foster a Safe Campus Environment

In an environment where mass shootings have happened on many Universities, colleges and universities around the country are becoming more diligent and proactive in providing a safe environment for students, faculty, staff, and visitors to their campuses. The Behavioral Assessment and Recommendation Team is dedicated to a proactive, coordinated and planned approach to the identification, prevention, assessment, management, and reduction of interpersonal and behavioral threats to the safety and well being of Columbus State University students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

Campus Members Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of faculty, staff, and students to immediately report any situation that could possibly result in harm to anyone at the University. These reports may be directed to BART or the Counseling Center, depending on the nature of the concern.

When there is an active or immediate risk of violence or harm to others you should call Columbus State University Police Department 706-507-8911.

Report to BART Behaviors Such As:

- Violent fantasy content
- Anger problems
- Fascination with weapons and accoutrements
- Homicidal ideation
- Stalking
- Non-compliance or disciplinary matters
- *Academic misconduct and dishonesty
- Interest in previous shooting situations

- Victim/martyr self-concept
- Strangeness and aberrant behavior
- Paranoia
- Violence and cruelty
- Acting out
- Recent police contact
- Mental health history related to dangerousness
- Unusual interest in police, military, terrorist activities and materials

**All cases of academic misconduct and dishonesty, such as plagiarism and cheating, should be adjudicated as directed by the appropriate Department Chair or College Dean. Once the file is complete, all documents should be entered into the BART reporting system.*

Report to Counseling Center Student Behaviors Such As:

- Anxious, depressed or overwhelmed
- Prolonged and significant difficulty with the demands of college
- Test, math, or writing anxiety
- Pattern of relationship problems
- Speaking or writing that seems bizarre
- Loner
- Expressionless face / anhedonia
- Use of drugs and / or alcohol
- Suicidal ideation

*Note: If an employee of CSU exhibits these behaviors, a report should be submitted to BART.

Related USG Policy

University System of Georgia. (2008, September). Report of the student health and behavioral issues task force. Atlanta, GA.

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Responsible Authority

Dean of Students