



**State Board of Community Colleges Code
TITLE 1. COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

CHAPTER B. COLLEGE OPERATIONS

SUBCHAPTER 500. STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1B SBCCC 500.3 North Carolina Student Lifeline Information

(a) Effective the 2026-2027 academic year, each community college must provide students with the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer Warmline.

(b) Unless an updated number exists, each community college must have the phrases "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762" in the following places:

(1) On any new student identification (student ID) issued. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this section requires a school to issue a student ID;

(2) On the school website;

(3) On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students;

(4) On the school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed;

(5) On a document during any suicide awareness activity; and

(6) On a document when the student registers to attend the school.

(c) The System Office shall verify annually and report to the State Board that the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer Warmline are current and accurate. If the phone numbers are changed, each community college must use the updated phone number.

History Note: Authority G.S. 115D-9.45

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NORTH CAROLINA STUDENT LIFELINE INFORMATION FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

SECTION 6.10.(a) Part 2 of Article 1 of Chapter 115D of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 115D-9.45. Provide students the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline phone number and the NC Peer Warmline phone number.

The State Board of Community Colleges shall adopt a policy requiring all community colleges to provide students the phone numbers for the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline and the NC Peer Warmline. The State Board shall verify that the phone numbers for the Lifeline and the Warmline are current and accurate annually. If either phone number has changed, the community colleges shall use the updated phone number. Unless an updated phone number exists, the community colleges shall have the phrases "To reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, call 988 or text HOME to 741741" and "To reach the NC Peer Warmline, call 855-733-7762" in the following places:

- (1) On any new student identification (student ID) issued. The text shall be in a conspicuous location on the student ID. The text may be printed on the ID or affixed by sticker. Nothing in this subdivision requires a school to issue a student ID.
- (2) On the school website.
- (3) On the home screen of any electronic device issued to students.
- (4) On any school agenda or calendar, whether digital or printed.
- (5) On a document during any suicide awareness activity.
- (6) On a document when the student registers to attend the school."

SECTION 6.10.(b) This section is effective when it becomes law and applies beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year.