

1 2 **POLICY STATEMENT 66** 3 POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND OTHER DANGEROUS WEAPONS WITHIN LSU EUNICE FACILITIES AND PREMISES 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 **POLICY DIGEST** Primary Monitoring Unit: LSU Eunice Police and Security Secondary Monitoring Unit: Student Affairs Initially Issued: September 7, 1999 Last Revised: April 12, 2017 (format updated March 22, 2022) I. PURPOSE 15 16 To state the policy of LSU Eunice regarding the possession of firearms and dangerous weapons 17 within its facilities and premises and the requirements of Louisiana Revised Statutes 14:95.2 (Carrying a firearm by a student or non-student on school property or firearm-free zone) and 18 19 14:95.6 (Firearm-free zone; notice; signs; crime; penalties). II. DEFINITIONS 20 21 Firearms. Any rifle, shotgun, pistol or revolver or any other firearm from which a shot or shots 22 are discharged by an explosive. 23 24 Dangerous Weapons. Any gas, liquid or other substance or instrumentality, which, in the 25 manner used, is calculated or likely to produce death or great bodily harm. 26 Facilities and Premises. Real property and immovable property under the authority and control 27 28 of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University. 29 30 Firearm-free zone. An area inclusive of any university campus and within one thousand feet of 31 such university campus as defined by R. S. 14:95.6. 32 III. POLICY 33 LSU Eunice enforces all provisions of the state Criminal Code including those prohibiting 34 possession of firearms within a firearms free zone as provided at R. S. 14:95.2. 35 36 As it relates to universities, R. S. 14:95.2 prohibits the carrying of a firearm by a student or nonstudent on university property and is defined as the intentional possession of any firearm on 37 38 one's person, on a university campus, within one thousand feet of a university campus or on a 39 school bus. The penalty upon conviction is imprisonment at hard labor for not more than five 40 years. The statute does not apply to: 41 A. Federal, state or local law enforcement officer in performance of official duties.

- B. School official or employee acting during the normal course of his or her employment or a student acting under the direction of such school official or employee.
- C. If on private property or within a private residence within one thousand feet of university property; however, LSU Eunice prohibits the possession of firearms or other dangerous weapons within the campus residences of its employees living on the campus without prior written petition to and approval granted by LSU Police/LSUE Security.
- D. If in accordance with a concealed handgun permit issued pursuant to R. S. 40:1379.1.1.
- E. Constitutionally protected activities which cannot be regulated by the state such as a firearm contained entirely within a motor vehicle.
- In addition to such criminal penalties as may be imposed, the unlawful use, possession or carrying of a firearm or dangerous weapon within LSU Eunice facilities and premises by an employee shall be cause for termination of employment.
- Further, otherwise legal possession or use of a firearm by an employee or a student in a manner which reasonably endangers the safety of others shall be cause for disciplinary action by LSU Eunice.
- 57 LSU Police/LSUE Security is responsible for the review and administration of this policy.
- 58 IV. SOURCE
- 59 <u>LSU PS-96</u>, dated November 1, 1994