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FIRE FAQ for Student Protests on Campus

<https://www.thefire.org/research-learn/fires-faq-student-protests-campus>

- Protest on public university campuses is permissible.
- Protests cannot be disrupted solely based on speech content.
- Reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions are permitted.
- Indoor and outdoor protests see differential regulation due to safety considerations and impedance of operations.
- Civil disobedience is not protected conduct.
- Violence, vandalism, underage drinking, and other unlawful acts are not protected aspects of protest.

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Freedom of Expression Statement (Presidential Task Force on Freedom of Expression and Civil Discourse, 2023):

Radford University affirms freedom of expression and critical inquiry as foundations of higher education and democratic society. Intellectual freedom of our students, faculty, and staff is a core institutional value and ensures the free and open inquiry that fuels self-discovery and growth, understanding of other perspectives, knowledge of social and natural systems, creativity, technological advancement, and productive change.

The right to freedom of expression as protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution comes with responsibilities to other people and the processes which secure the privileges of a free society. Commonwealth and University policies, such as the [Student Code of](#)

