

**Policy Title:** ~~Free Expression~~ *Free Expression Policy* for Radford University (University) provides a framework for a supportive environment to promote free expression. The purpose of this policy is to facilitate free expression, provide a secure environment for such expression, preserve and protect University property within the University community, and protect and preserve University

property.

## 2. **APPLICABILITY**

The *Free Expression Policy* applies to any person, group, entity, or organization desiring to invoke their rights to freedom of expression on University property.

## 3. **DEFINITIONS**

**Affiliated Entities:** University colleges, departments, and offices; University registered student clubs and organizations; and University employees and students.

**Commercial Activity:** Communicative conduct or activity on behalf of a company or person for the intent of making a profit. Such activity is economic in nature and usually has the intent of convincing a person or group to partake in a particular economic action such as purchasing a product or service.

**Free Expression Activity:** For the purposes of this policy, communicative conduct or activity protected by the First Amendment including, but not limited to, public speeches, demonstrations, marches, protests, and picketing. Free expression activity does not include commercial activity.

**Spontaneous**



2. For all other free expression activity, affiliated entities and sponsored unaffiliated entities (see section 5.B.) are required to provide advance notification to the University Scheduling Office (540 831 7000) a minimum of forty eight (48) hours prior to any free expression activity on University property. Any University facilities that are required to be scheduled must comply with the [\*Use of University Facilities Policy\*](#).
3. In deciding whether a free expression activity is spontaneous or planned, the University may consider any relevant evidence including, but not limited to, whether:
  - a. signs or placards used are commercially produced;
  - b. amplification equipment is used;
  - c. timing of any contact with security or the media; or
  - d. other circumstances demonstrate advance planning by one or more organizations.
4. Advance notification is intended solely to



