

Sam Houston State University
A Member of The Texas State University System

President's Office Policy PRE-22

POLICY FOR THE USE OF THE BEARKAT PLAZA AND LSC MALL

The purpose of this policy is to govern the reservation and use of the Bearkat Plaza and the Lowman Student Center (LSC) Mall area.

The Bearkat Plaza is the open, outdoor space situated between the Lowman Student Center Mall area and the Lee Drain Academic Building. It extends to the east in the direction of the College of Business Administration and to the west in the direction of the clock tower. The Bearkat Plaza is designed to provide an open, peaceful, and aesthetically appealing environment to enhance the college experience at Sam Houston State University (SHSU). Therefore, it may be reserved only for special University programs.

Use of each facility is governed by the rules set forth in Chapter VII, "General Provisions for Campus Activities," of the Rules and Regulations of The Texas State University System, which shall be adhered to in every instance. The Code of Student Conduct and the SHSU Student Guidelines are also applicable to the Bearkat Plaza.

All requests to utilize the Bearkat Plaza for special University events must be submitted at least three weeks in advance of the requested event date to the Director of the Lowman Student Center. The LSC Director will forward appropriate program requests to the Vice President for Student Services. The Vice President for Student Services will forward appropriate program requests to the President's Office for final consideration and approval. Programs will not be permitted in the Bearkat Plaza unless approved in advance by the President's designee.

Signs are not allowed in Bearkat Plaza except in conjunction with an approved plaza event. All signs will be removed from Bearkat Plaza at the end of the event. Chalking is not allowed at any time in Bearkat Plaza or at any other location on campus.

The LSC Mall is the area situated on the south side of the Lowman Student Center between the LSC and the Bearkat Plaza. It extends in length from the east end of the Lowman Student Center to the Alumni Garden area. It is available for use by all student and University organizations for programs and activities. Reservations for use of the LSC Mall area may be made through the Lowman Student Center Office.

This policy shall be reviewed annually by the Vice President for Student Services.

Reviewed by: Frank Parker, Vice President for Student Services
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