

# North Carolina School of the Arts Policy on Animals on Campus

**Authority:** Chancellor

**Sources of Authority:** Americans with Disabilities Act

**History:** Adopted March 2002; revision approved by BOT May 2006

**Related Policies:** High School and College Handbooks; Student Residential Agreements

**Responsible Offices:** Human Resources, Campus Police

## 1. POLICY

1.1 In consideration of personal safety as well as sanitation, privately owned animals are permitted in the buildings of NCSA only in cases of

1.1.1 A “service animal” for the disabled. A “service animal” for the purposes of this policy is any guide dog, signal dog, or other animal individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability;

1.1.2 Animals which are brought on campus for a specifically authorized and approved purpose such as:

- an animal show, contest, or other event involving the display or demonstration of skilled or trained animals, or
- a NCSA class, demonstration, performance or production.

1.2 Animals are permitted on the grounds of campus when in compliance with the Forsyth County Animal Control Ordinance, Chapter 6 of the Forsyth County Code.

- animal must have current registration as outlined in the Forsyth County Code
- owners must follow The City of Winston-Salem leash laws by keeping their animals under restraint by a competent person at all times.

1.3 Cats are permitted on campus that are a part of the Feral Cat Management Program run by committee “NCSA’s Campus Cats”

## 2. PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS

With the exception of feral cats, any animal on campus under provision 1 above must be under the control of a competent person, restrained by leash or other adequate physical control, and attended at all times.

Any animal on campus under provision 1.1.2 above must also comply with the conditions required by the Chancellor, or a designee when authorizing and approving the event. The owner of the animal must also sign the Animal Consent and Release Form.

Persons violating this policy will be requested to leave campus with their animals immediately. Animals found unattended, that are not a part of the Feral Cat Management Program, may be turned over to the Forsyth County Animal Control.

Persons violating this policy will also be required to pay NCSA for all charges assessed under residential policies or agreements and all expenses incurred in cleaning or fumigating NCSA facilities. Such persons will be responsible for all fees and penalties associated with Forsyth County Animal Control.

To report the presence of an unauthorized animal, call NCSA police at 336-770-3321.