



**NORTHEASTERN**  
**STATE UNIVERSITY**

## Expressive Speech Annual Report

December 31, 2022

## Purpose of Report

Pursuant to 70 O.S. §2120, Northeastern State University submits the following to demonstrate its course of action for compliance with the requirements of this statute.

## Campus Expression Policy

The Northeastern State University's freedom of speech policy can be found here: [Northeastern State University Freedom of Speech Policy](#)

## Professional Development for Students and Employees

Northeastern State University communicates policy and expectations to students and employees through educational programming provided to the faculty, staff, and students, as well as publication of policies in their respective handbooks and on the university's website. The university may also choose to communicate new policy and/or updates through electronic communication. Professional development materials include a summary sheet of general education points and an information postcard for the campus community and the public.

## Copy of Professional Development Training Information Sheet

The following professional development information was provided to the campus community via meetings with faculty, staff, and students. The information is also located in the University Center, Office of Auxiliary Services.

## Copy of Visitor Information Card



### *The fine print...*

NSU encourages the free exchange of ideas. The university will protect the rights of freedom of speech, expression, petition and peaceful assembly as set forth in the U.S. Constitution. NSU maintains its right to regulate reasonable time, place and manner restrictions concerning acts of expression and dissent.

NSU does not have "free speech zones"; all outdoor areas are open for use as public forums, when reserved by students or non-students and as long as the said area is not reserved by another member of the campus community for an event or activity.

Any acts that are disruptive to the normal operations of the university, including classes and university business, or that invade the rights of others will not be tolerated.



### **OUR MISSION**

We empower students, faculty, staff and the community to reach their full intellectual and human potential by creating and expanding a culture of learning, discovery and diversity.

### **OUR VISION**

Northeastern State University shapes the future of its region as the educational partner of choice, setting a standard of excellence by serving the intellectual, cultural, social and economic needs of the University's diverse communities.

### **OUR VALUES**

*Integrity*

*Collaboration*

*Creativity*

*Leadership*

*Excellence*

*Communication*

*Diversity*



**To review our campus expression policy visit:**

[nsuok.edu/campusexpression](https://nsuok.edu/campusexpression)

**To reserve space on campus:**

Contact the **Office of Auxiliary Services** at 918.444.2500 or [auxiliaryservices@nsuok.edu](mailto:auxiliaryservices@nsuok.edu)

**For emergencies:**

Contact the **University Police Department** at 918.444.2468



### Barriers or Disruptions of Free Expression

Northeastern State University experienced one (1) barrier or disruption of free speech during the calendar year ending December 31, 2022. An NSU student attempted to disrupt an anti-abortion protestor while on the Tahlequah campus. The student represented themselves as an NSU faculty member in the course of their discussions with the protestor. The incident was reported to the institution. The student was referred to the Office of Student Conduct and provided due process in accordance with the student handbook. The student was notified of their right to counter protest, but not as a representative of NSU.

This report can be found at

<https://offices.nsuok.edu/studentaffairs/compliance/expressiveactivities.aspx>