GENERAL STATEMENT
The Board of Trustees authorizes the President, or designee, to establish procedures for the approval of all budgeted expenditures from College funds for the general welfare of the College in accordance with College Procurement Manual, Florida Statutes, and Florida Department of Education Rules and Administrative Code.

The purpose of this of this policy is to provide an efficient, economic and equitable means of procuring needed commodities, equipment and services by promoting fair and open competition without favoritism; ensuring that public funds are spent wisely; establishing uniform procedures to ensure effective and ethical procurement of contractual services; ensuring that improprieties are curbed and public confidence is maintained; ensuring the fair and equitable treatment of all business and persons who deal with the procurement activities of the College; and ensuring small disadvantaged businesses are included in the College’s procurement activities and awarding of contracts.

THE POLICY and THE STUDENT
All goods and services that are procured for student use must be in compliance with this policy.

THE POLICY and THE FACULTY AND STAFF
The College shall follow all applicable public procurement statutes and the State Department of Education Procurement Rules for Colleges, as well as all Procurement Procedures.

IMPLEMENTATION and OVERSIGHT
The College President or designee shall have the authority to implement procedures to carry out this policy. The Senior Vice President of Administration shall have the responsibility to implement and oversee this Policy, including any investigations into any alleged violations of this policy.

VIOLATION OF POLICY
Any individual who violates these policies and the corresponding procurement procedures may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination. Additionally, any individual who procures goods or services, and violates these policies and procedures may be responsible for all charges pertaining to such action(s).

DEFINITIONS
Will be addressed in the Procedure.

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