



## **Senior Expectations and Conduct During Senior Year and Graduation Season**

### **Virginia State University – Office of Student Conduct & Restorative Practices**

As you prepare to celebrate your achievements, please be reminded that all seniors, regardless of age, are expected to uphold the policies outlined in the Student Code of Conduct. The following guidelines are in place to preserve campus safety, maintain the integrity of our traditions, and ensure compliance with university regulations throughout your senior year:

#### **1. Virginia State University is a Dry Campus**

Possession or display of alcoholic beverages, including bottles used as props in photos, is strictly prohibited on campus, regardless of age or legal drinking status.

#### **2. Prohibited Use of Fire or Pyrotechnics**

Lighting fireworks, firecrackers, smoke bombs, or setting fire to any object (e.g., grass, rocks, clothing, props) is strictly forbidden without prior written approval from the VSU Police Department or Campus Safety Officer.

Violations may result in disciplinary sanctions and criminal charges.

#### **3. Restricted and Unauthorized Areas**

Do not enter or climb on unauthorized areas, including:

- The bus depot (especially the rooftops of buses or any other moving equipment)
- Construction, buildings, rooftops, or maintenance zones
- Any area marked restricted or secured by the University
- Classrooms and labs without the permission of the faculty, building manager, etc.

**Entry into these areas is considered trespassing and a serious safety violation.**

#### **4. Weapons and Dangerous Props**

Weapons are strictly prohibited in any senior or graduation-related photos or events. This includes:

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- Real or replica firearms
- Splat guns, BB guns
- Knives or blades

**Any object intended to intimidate or resemble a weapon.....Possession of these items on campus will result in immediate disciplinary action.**

### **5. Misconduct and Senior Privileges**

Any behavior that violates the Student Code of Conduct—including but not limited to:

- Fighting or physical altercations
- Smoking, alcohol (dry campus), and any prohibited substances on campus (on or off campus)
- Arrest or criminal charges
- Greek Life or other National organizations will be notified
- Verbal threats, harassment, bullying, or aggressive confrontations (on or off campus)

**May result in loss of leadership positions, removal from honor societies, and disqualification from participating in senior activities and graduation ceremonies, if the incident rises to a serious level.**

**Violation of any of these expectations may result in a hold on your student account which means you will not receive your degree, loss of campus privileges, or additional disciplinary actions.**

We want you to finish your senior year with honor, not regret.

Celebrate responsibly, represent VSU proudly, and leave your legacy the right way.

For questions or concerns, please contact:

studentconduct@vsu.edu or visit us in Foster Hall 301, 302, or 304. You may also contact your Senior Class President or Advisor, Mr. Giles.