
Student Behavior Decision Tree:

Getting the Right Help

1. Does the person show evidence of *immediate* harm to self or others? E.g., weapon in hand, direct statement of clear intention.

If **YES**, call 911 and then call Security at 253-589-5682.

2. Does the person show evidence of suicidal thoughts or other distressed behaviors that do not appear to create an immediate danger but need prompt attention?

If **YES**, call Advising and Counseling at 253-589-5583 and tell the front desk person that you would like to speak to a mental health counselor. If after normal business hours, call the Pierce County Crisis Line to consult at 1-800-576-7764. Alternately, you can call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 any day or time to consult.

3. Does the person show signs of emotional distress/mental health related issues but not necessitating immediate attention? E.g., suspicious, anxious, demanding, passive and/or dependent behavior, depressed, possibly suicidal.

If **YES**, refer to Advising and Counseling Services at 253-589-5583 for Personal Counseling and Crisis Intervention.

4. Does the person display inappropriate classroom behavior? E.g., disruptions to learning process, cell phone infractions, behaviors prohibited by the syllabus.

If **YES**, refer to your course syllabus and implement standard classroom management strategies.

5. Does the person's behavior make you or others feel unsafe?

If **YES**, call Security at 253-589-5682

6. Does the student's behavior fall outside the established rules as stated in the CPTC Code of Student Conduct?

If **YES**, complete a Student Conduct Referral Form which can be found at www.cptc.edu/code-conduct or call the student conduct officer at 253-589-5766.

7. When in doubt, if you believe that any of the above behaviors could escalate to violence or threat, contact a member of the BIT team. To view the BIT webpage go to www.cptc.edu/bit

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