

El Camino College **Compton Center**

Student and Employee Drug and Alcohol Survey Fall 2009

A periodic survey of students and workforce is required by the U.S. Department of Education at all colleges and universities receiving financial aid support. Survey questions cover topics such as tobacco, alcohol and drug use, potential problems with drugs and alcohol, and awareness of, and interest in, support services.

Survey Result Highlights – Part 1

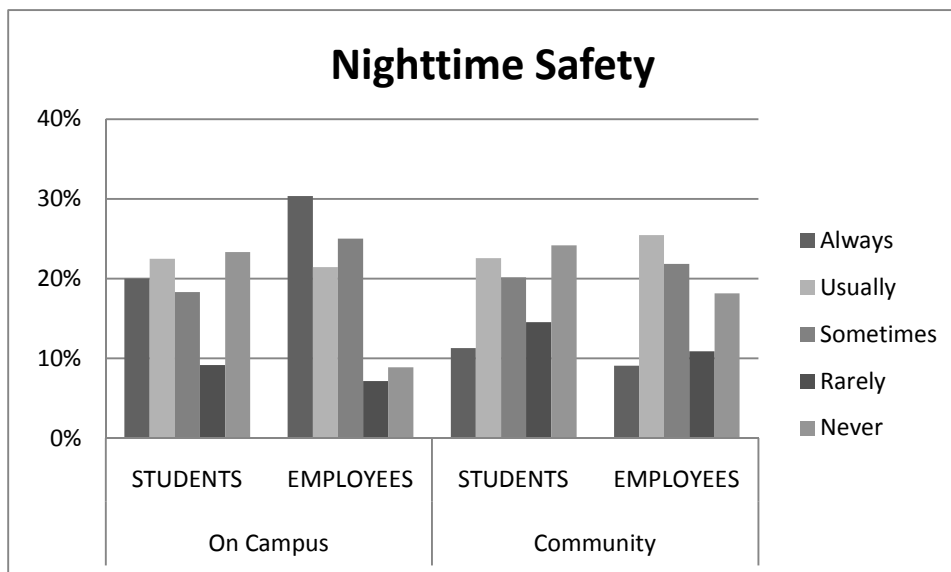
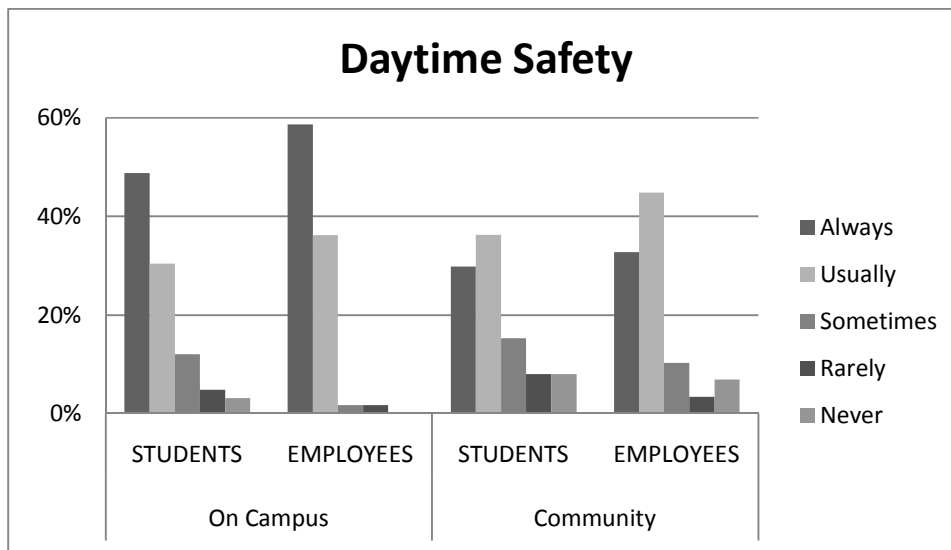
Written Code of Conduct

1. The vast majority of students (83%) surveyed were aware of a written standard of student conduct at El Camino College, although only about 43% of students own a copy of the college catalog in which the standards are written. [Beginning in Winter/Spring 2010, the *Standards of Student Conduct* are also published in the Schedule of Classes.]
2. Forty percent of employees stated that they had received a written copy of faculty/staff standards of conduct involving drugs and alcohol on campus; this document is distributed to all new employees.
3. Seventy percent of students or more knew standards cover alcohol, controlled substances and weapons/explosives (while about 78-83% of employees knew this). The lowest awareness involved use and sale of drugs or alcohol and being under the influence on campus.
4. Regarding smoking, 54% of students knew that the policy covered restrictions on smoking; 58% of employees reported being aware of this.
5. A small minority of employees indicated awareness of receiving information on the effects of drugs and alcohol (26% aware) and the Board Policy on Drug-Free Environment and Prevention Program (32%)—these documents are given to newly hired employees. And only 38% were aware of available services to help work through personal problems such as misuse of alcohol or drugs, for example the Employee Assistance Service for Education (EASE).

Written Code of Conduct includes:	Yes	
	Student	Employee
Smoking	54%	58%
Use of Alcohol on Campus	72%	78%
Possession Alcohol on Campus	71%	81%
Possession Controlled Substance	73%	83%
Being Under the Influence	69%	78%
Sale of Controlled Substance	72%	78%
Weapons or Explosives	72%	83%
I was aware of standards of conduct (students only)	83%	
I received standards of conduct (employees only)		40%

Personal Safety/Crime Prevention

1. With regard to safety, more students feel safe on campus than they do in the surrounding community. During the day time, about 49% of students said they always feel safe on campus compared to 32% who feel safe within the community at the same time of day. Those reporting feeling “always” or “usually” safe during the daytime are 79% and 66% on campus and in the community, respectively.
2. At night, perceptions of safety drop with 33% and 39% of students stating that they “rarely” or “never” feel safe on campus or in the community, respectively.
3. Employees feel much safer on campus than students reported; 59% of employees “always” feel safe on weekdays. Nearly all employees (95%) feel safe always or usually during the day on campus.
4. Just over half of employees feel safe at night (52%) on campus most or all of the time, compared to 43% of students. Only about a third (35%) feel safe in the community at night, similar to students.
5. The employee survey also asked about weekend safety (chart available in main report). Just over half (55%) reported feeling always or usually safe on campus during weekends.



A summary of drug and alcohol use and other perceptions are found in *Survey Highlights – Part 2*.