SCCC Student Housing Guidelines (for students on scholarship)

SCCC is committed to ensuring the academic and personal success of its students. In working to fulfill this commitment we have learned that living in on-campus housing can make a very positive influence in what our students take away from their college experience and in their success rates. The benefits of living on campus are especially significant for students who have just graduated from high school and are attending their first year of college. Research shows that students who live on campus during their first year:

- 1. Have higher grade point averages
- 2. Make a smoother transition from high school to college
- 3. Have higher retention and graduation rates
- 4. Report greater satisfaction with their college experience
- 5. Make better use of educational and support services provided by the college than commuter students do.

Because of some of the reasons listed above, all students enrolled in 15 or more credit hours who receive a scholarship from the SCCC Foundation in the amount of \$400 or above are required to reside in SCCC Student Housing.

While on-campus housing is mandatory, there are a limited number of circumstances under which the college will consider approving an exemption from this requirement.

Students may request an exemption by completing a "Student Housing Waiver Form" with an explanation of the circumstances that are present. Please provide appropriate documentation for the requested exemption.

Automatic exemptions are granted in the following situations:

- 1. Legal residents of Seward County (non-rollover).
- 2. Students who commute from their permanent home of a relative (over 21) or legal guardian
- 3. Students who are married and/or have children
- 4. Students over the age of 23

In the case that the residence halls are at full capacity, students on a college scholarship may also apply for an exemption. Those exemptions will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Preference will be given to college sophomores in good academic standing.

Waiver and documentation need to be submitted to the Vice President of Student Services. Waivers need to be received at least 10 days prior to the 1st day of classes. A decision will be made by the Scholarship Committee to approve or disapprove within 5 days upon the receipt of the waiver.

SCCC Student Housing Waiver

Return this form to: The Vice President of Student Services Office, SCCC, 1801 Kansas Avenue, Liberal, KS, 67901. Waiver must be received at least 10 days prior to the first day of classes for consideration. Name: _____ Student ID #: _____ Permanent Address: Proposed Off-Campus Address: ______ College Status: (Please check one) New freshman: _____ HS GPA: ____ Sophomore: _____ College GPA: _____ State completely, your reasons for requesting a housing waiver. Please attach documents, if needed. (Example: documented medical condition) Student Signature: _____ Date: _____ For office Use Only: Date Waiver was received: _____ Date Scholarship committee reviewed: _____ Approved: Denied: Comments: Vice President of Student Services Signature:

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