



NEBRASKA COLLEGE OF
TECHNICAL AGRICULTURE

Policy:

The following policy concerns student safety while engaged in college activities, with particular attention to the needs of pregnant students. It is NCTA's goal to help pregnant students have a healthy, comfortable and supportive living environment throughout the pregnancy. Pregnant students may, at their discretion, continue taking classes and engage in all college activities. If a student prefers to take a medical leave-of-absence with the intention of returning to campus after delivery of the baby, such leaves may be requested through student services. For students who would prefer to remain enrolled in classes for the duration of the pregnancy, the student is eligible for an automatic exemption from on-campus housing. NCTA's facilities are limited to single-student housing and are unable to accommodate infants or children in residence.

Procedure:

All students are required to read and sign the Health and Safety Agreement below before engaging in laboratory activities.

NCTA college activities commonly require students to interact with livestock, agricultural equipment, power tools, and animal medications which can present physical and biological hazards if handled incorrectly. Facilities and equipment at the college are designed to provide protection but must be operated properly. Some of the risks include handling animals, slick floors or corrals, use of toxic and corrosive substances, possible exposure to zoonotic diseases, radiation, pharmaceutical drugs, and the operation of potentially dangerous equipment. Women who are pregnant are encouraged to consult with their health care provider regarding the risks of involvement in classes, labs, and clubs and team activities. Reasonable accommodations will be made for students requiring alternate academic activities for safety reasons. Students are encouraged to discuss their needs with faculty and staff. Students should wear appropriate attire for all activities. In addition to the immunizations required by the college, rabies immunization is recommended. It is highly recommended that students obtain health insurance and liability protection.

The student, by voluntary participation in classes, laboratories, clinical activities, clubs and team activities acknowledges and agrees to assume the risks involved and agrees to not hold University of Nebraska, NCTA or college faculty and staff liable.

Students signing this form acknowledge they have read all above information carefully and agree to all terms involved.

(Student Signature)

(Printed Full Name)

(Date)

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