

**RULES
OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE
(ALL CAMPUSES)**

**CHAPTER 1720-1-8
ASSEMBLY POLICY**

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1720-1-8-.01 INTRODUCTION.

- (1) The right of peaceable assembly is a guaranteed constitutional right and one which this institution does not intend to abrogate.
- (2) The following regulations are intended to enumerate the essential provisions necessary to reconcile freedom of assembly with responsibility in any campus meeting conducted for the purpose of expressing opinions of the participants

Authority: *Public Acts of Tennessee, 1839-1840, Chapter 98, Section 5 and Public Acts of Tennessee, 1807, Chapter 64. Administrative History:* *Original rule filed July 29, 1983; effective October 14, 1983. Repeal and new rule filed May 27, 1986; effective August 12, 1986.*

1720-1-8-.02 PEACEABLE ASSEMBLY: DESCRIPTION. Student gatherings may be conducted in areas which are generally available to the public, provided such gatherings:

- (1) Are conducted in an orderly and peaceful manner;
- (2) Do not obstruct in any way vehicular or pedestrian traffic;
- (3) Do not interfere with classes, scheduled meetings, events, and ceremonies, or with other essential processes the University;
- (4) If inside a building, are held in an assigned meeting room.

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1720-1-8-.03 ADVANCED APPROVAL: PROCEDURES.

- (1) Only meetings which have been approved in advance through the proper office may be held:
 - (a) Within University buildings;
 - (b) Within University stadia;or
 - (c) Adjacent to residential or academic facilities of the campus.
- (2) Meetings which would impose an unusual demand upon staff or facilities must have approval regardless of where they are held on campus.

(Rule 1720-1-8-.03, continued)

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1720-1-8-.04 DISCIPLINARY ACTION. Violations of the above University policy will result in appropriate disciplinary action.

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