2535 – Children in the Classroom

It is the position of the College to provide an atmosphere in the classroom that is conducive to the learning of all students, as such the college does not allow students, who are responsible for the care of children, to bring those children to class unless they can provide continuous and direct supervision of those children, outside of the classroom, while class is in session.

Instructor Options

Instructors may make the following information available to students:

- If you are responsible for the care of a child, be advised that while you are in class your child should not be left unattended in Barton Buildings or any other instructional site.
- You should not bring the child to class with you as the child’s presence can be disruptive to other students and the instructor. In addition, if you work in college labs (including Science Labs, Art Labs, or Computer Labs) at times, when they are open for student use, you will not be allowed to bring your child into those labs.
- If your child cannot attend school due to a school vacation or if he or she becomes ill and cannot go to school or a child care center, do not bring the child with you to class as you will be advised to find a more appropriate location to provide proper care for the child. When you miss a class because of your child’s illness, you may make up your work for classes missed if prior arrangements were made with the instructor.
- If your child is between the ages of 2 weeks to 12 years, the Barton Child Development Center on campus may be able to provide care for your child periodically if you have completed the necessary application in advance. Applications are available from the staff at the Child Development Center located to the north of the student housing high rise.

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