

# METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS



## Children in the Classroom

### **University Policy #1130**

#### **Section 1. Purpose**

The university is intended to be devoted to the efficient and effective delivery of education and related services to students. The presence of children not devoted to accomplishing these objectives may be disruptive and potentially unsafe. Students are advised that young children are at risk in an educational environment designed to accommodate and serve registered university students. While it is recognized that classroom environments may have fewer potential hazards, there exists no area on campus where normal routines can be modified to provide the attention and care necessary for young children.

#### **Section 2. Authority**

This policy is pursuant to the operating authority granted to the President by the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System Board of Trustees.

#### **Section 3. Effective Date**

This procedure is effective when signed, and remains in effect until modified or revoked.

#### **Section 4. Authority**

The responsibility for implementation of this policy is assigned to the university personnel.

#### **Section 5. Policy**

Children should **never** be left unsupervised in the common areas of the university.

Due to disruption and possible risk of harm, students cannot bring children to classrooms or labs when the student is attending class. Exceptions should only be made in response to special circumstances for short periods of time and must be approved in advance by the instructor of the course.

#### **Section 6. Review**

This policy will be reviewed as needed.

#### **Section 7. Approval**

Issued on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2003.

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Wilson G. Bradshaw, President