



## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 20, 2016  
**TO:** Faculty, Staff, and Students  
**FROM:** Jim Yeonopolus, Chancellor  
**SUBJECT:** Senate Bill 11 "Campus Carry" Central Texas Campus District

Texas law (S.B.11, 84th) allows Concealed Handguns License holders to carry concealed handguns on campus excluding designated "Gun Free Zones," established by CTCD. Campus carry takes effect for CTCD on August 1, 2017. It is important for CTCD students and personnel to be aware of the distinction made by S.B.11 between community colleges and universities relating to timelines and rules set by the institutions.

Each institution will implement rules and policies based upon S.B.11. It is the License Holder's responsibility to know campus policies and Texas laws. Therefore, while it may be permissible to carry a concealed handgun on university campuses beginning August 1, 2016, it will remain illegal on community colleges/CTCD campuses until August 1, 2017. Likewise, under Texas law the open carry of any gun is always prohibited on universities and community colleges campuses.

CTCD will implement S.B.11 by following procedures set forth by the law and CTCD administration to ensure the August 1, 2017 deadline is met. CTCD will establish appropriate gun free zones as needed, conduct open forums for faculty, staff, and students, and widely publish relevant policies and procedures.

CTCD administration is working to ensure that S.B.11 is implemented on our campuses in a safe and effective manner.

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