## Middle Tennessee State University Office of Student Conduct July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

## Total Number of Disciplinary Cases: 170 Approximate Number of Consultations: 69

A **disciplinary case** is defined as a student or organization that has been charged with a disciplinary offense. The case number does not reflect the total number of disciplinary referrals made to the office. It also does not account for consultations. One student may have multiple cases and one case may have multiple violations.

The following data presents a synopsis of the breakdown by gender and classification of the students who had discipline cases with the Office of Student Conduct during the specified time period.

<u>Gender</u> Male	<u>Total</u> 100	<u>%</u> 59	<u>Classification</u> Freshman	<u>Total</u> 188	<u>%</u> 52
Female	67	39	Sophomore	39	23
			Junior	23	14
			Senior	10	6
			Graduate	5	3

Referral Source	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	Incident Location	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Residence Life	19	11	Off Campus	14	8
MTPD	97	57	Housing	65	38
Faculty	10	6	On Campus (Not Housing)	85	50
Staff	29	17	Online	4	2
Student	5	3			
Community	9	5			
Title IX	0	0			

The following chart presents the number of violation types the office adjudicated. The violation type total number reflects the total number of times this violation was assigned to a student. The total number does not reflect how many times the student was found in violation of that specific rule. *The total number* 

of violation types will exceed the total number of disciplinary cases handled by the office. One student may have multiple violation types within one disciplinary case. The percentage reflects the percentage of the total number of all violations.

Violation Type:	Total Number:	Percentage:
A1. Alcoholic Beverages	30	9
A2. Drugs	61	18
A3. Drug Paraphernalia	18	5
A4. Public Intoxication	9	3
A5. Explosives, Fireworks, and Flammable Materials	0	0
A6. Violation of General Policies	73	21
A7. Violation of State or Federal Laws	3	1
A8. Disorderly Conduct	21	6
A9. Misuse of or Damage to Property	24	7
A10. Obstruction of or Interference with University	2	
Activities or Facilities		1
A11. Unacceptable Conduct in Disciplinary Proceedings	0	0
A12. Unauthorized Access to University Facilities and/or	15	
Grounds		4
A13. Pornography or Obscenity	1	0
A14. Student Identification Cards	1	0
A15. Gambling	0	0
A16. Attempts, Aiding, and Abetting	19	6
A17. Litter	0	0
A18. Sirens and Loudspeakers	0	0
A19. Graffiti	1	0
B1. Theft, Misappropriation, or Unauthorized Sale of	11	
Property		3
B2. Failure to Cooperate with University Officials	9	3
B3. Providing False Information	4	1

B4. Misuse of Documents or Identification Cards	2	1
B5. Financial Irresponsibility	0	0
B6. Violation of Imposed Disciplinary Sanctions	0	0
B7. Unauthorized Surveillance	0	0
B8. Unauthorized Duplication or Possession of Keys	0	0
B9. Fire Drills	0	0
C1. Harassment or Retaliation	0	0
D1. Threatening or Dangerous Conduct	21	6
D2. Hazing	7	2
D3. Firearms and Other Dangerous Weapons	5	1
D4. Sexual Misconduct	0	0

Sanction Type:	Total Number:	Percentage:
Apology	0	0
Counseling Referral	0	0
Educational Req Community Pathway	2	0
Educational Req. – Integrity Pathway	0	0
Educational Req. – Knowledge Pathway	0	0
Educational Req. – Well-Being Pathway	0	0
Educational Requirement (Non-Pathway)	5	2.8
Expulsion	0	.6
Fine	0	0
Follow-Up (Required Appointment)	26	14.8
Housing Probation	1	.6
Housing Restriction/Removal	17	9.7
No Contact Order	2	1.1
Parental Notification	32	18.2
Restriction (Location)	5	2.8
Restriction (Privilege)	2	1.1

Organization Cease and Desist	1	.6
Disciplinary Probation	39	22.2
Written Reprimand	39	22.2
Restitution	5	2.8
Suspension	0	0
Tenure Probation	0	0
Additional Sanctions/Stipulations	0	0

\*Additional Sanctions include follow up meetings, requirements to report, and other non-specified sanctions.

The statistics contained in this report represent disciplinary cases adjudicated by the Office of Student Conduct for the time period indicated. Formal charges may have also been filed with the MTSU police department and/or the Department of Housing and Residential Life. It is possible that a single violation may appear in reports from all three departments. Disciplinary matters that were adjudicated solely by the Department of Housing and Residential Life are not reflected in these statistics.

## **Noteworthy Observations**

There was a significant drop in total number of conduct cases charged during this review period, specifically a reduction of 70 cases from the previous year. Part of this decline is attributed to a substantial drop in cases reported by the Department of Housing and Residential Life. Housing and Residential Life referrals dropped by half. This was partly due to a higher number of single rooms meaning there were less residential students living on campus. The office is partnering with the Department of Housing and Residential Life to assess the decline in cases in relation to the upcoming year.

The office re-evaluated the delivery of the Educational Pathway sanctions and decided to return to a general category of educational sanctioning, thus the educational pathways will not be included in future statistics.

Drug cases continue to be the most common issue handled by the office.

## **Educational Outreach**

Staff members provide trainings for Housing and Residential Life, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, Athletics, University 1010 classes, and in other areas as requested.