

Freedom of Speech Annual Report

August 1, 2024

Section A: Institutional Policy

Has your institution amended its free speech policy (or policy framework) since the time of your 2023 report? If so, please explain the reason for the change and provide the link to its location on your institutional website.

St. Clair College has not changed its Free Speech Policy since the time of our last submitted report.

Where are members of the institutional community (or guests) directed when there is a free speech related question or complaint about an event on campus? Please provide contact information.

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What is your institution's policy on holding events where there are security concerns? To your knowledge, were there any instances where a non-curricular event did not proceed due to security concerns or their related costs?

When a request is made to the College, the event details are presented to the Events Committee and those necessary are referred to the Senior Operations Group for review and discussion. Any requirements regarding security needs would be discussed with the Associate Vice President, Human Resources Office administration and Facilities Services. A review of security needs and costs for the event would be forwarded to Senior Administration for approval.

There have not been any instances where a non-curricular event did not proceed due to security concerns or their related costs.

Section B: Complaints

You may append additional documentation or institution-specific information as you see fit.

Between **August 1, 2023**, and **July 31, 2024**, did any member of the institutional community (or guests) make an official complaint about free speech on campus? If yes, please describe a general description that protects the privacy of complainants.

The College did not receive any official complaints regarding free speech on campus between August 1, 2023, and July 31, 2024.

If there has been an official complaint (or more than one):

What were the issues under consideration? Please identify any points of contention (e.g., security costs, safety, student unions and/or groups, operational requirements, etc.).

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Section C: Summary Data

Please provide the following summary data for free-speech-related official complaints received by the institution:

Number of official complaints received under the free speech policy relating to curricular and non-curricular events.	None
Number of official complaints reviewed that were dismissed.	None
Number of official complaints where the institution determined that the free speech policy was not followed appropriately.	None
Number of official complaints under the free speech policy that resulted in the institution applying disciplinary or other institutional measures.	None
To your knowledge, were any free speech complaints forwarded to the Ontario Ombudsman?	None

To the best of your ability, please provide an estimate of the number of **non-curricular events** held at the institution between **August 1, 2023, and July 31, 2024**. Non-curricular events include, for example, invited speakers, sporting events, rallies, conferences, etc., as opposed to regular events held as part of an academic program or course.

There were approximately 350 non-curricular events hosted by the College groups between the campuses:

- Student Representative Council (SRC): (Windsor Campus) and Ace Acumen Academy (Toronto, Brampton, Mississauga Campuses).
- Thames Students Incorporated (TSI): Chatham Campus.
- Saints Student Athletic Association (SSAA): Varsity and Intramural Athletics.
- St. Clair College.

Institutional Comments (if any).				