

**Middle Tennessee State University
Office of Student Conduct
July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021**

Total Number of Disciplinary Cases: 240

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. 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>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Classification</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Male	129	54	Freshman	136	57
Female	109	45	Sophomore	38	16
			Junior	23	10
			Senior	9	4
			Graduate	3	1

<u>Referral Source</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Incident Location</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>%</u>
Residence Life	41	17	Off Campus/Online	68	28
MTPD	84	35	Housing	89	37
Faculty	4	2	On Campus (Not Housing)	74	31
Staff	71	30	Online	9	4
Student	32	13			
Community	3	1			
Title IX	5	2			

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	31	7
A2. Drugs	37	8
A3. Drug Paraphernalia	18	4
A4. Public Intoxication	6	1
A5. Explosives, Fireworks, and Flammable Materials	0	0
A6. Violation of General Policies	182	39
A7. Violation of State or Federal Laws	4	1
A8. Disorderly Conduct	8	2
A9. Misuse of or Damage to Property	8	2
A10. Obstruction of or Interference with University Activities or Facilities	1	0
A11. Unacceptable Conduct in Disciplinary Proceedings	0	0
A12. Unauthorized Access to University Facilities and/or Grounds	5	1
A13. Pornography or Obscenity	1	0
A14. Student Identification Cards	3	1
A15. Gambling	0	0
A16. Attempts, Aiding, and Abetting	47	10
A17. Litter	0	0
A18. Sirens and Loudspeakers	0	0
A19. Graffiti	0	0
B1. Theft, Misappropriation, or Unauthorized Sale of Property	5	1
B2. Failure to Cooperate with University Officials	62	13
B3. Providing False Information	8	2

B4. Misuse of Documents or Identification Cards	11	2
B5. Financial Irresponsibility	2	1
B6. Violation of Imposed Disciplinary Sanctions	3	1
B7. Unauthorized Surveillance	0	0
B8. Unauthorized Duplication or Possession of Keys	0	0
B9. Fire Drills	0	0
C1. Harassment or Retaliation	1	0
D1. Threatening or Dangerous Conduct	13	3
D2. Hazing	1	0
D3. Firearms and Other Dangerous Weapons	0	0
D4. Sexual Misconduct	5	1

Sanction Type:	Total Number:	Percentage:
Apology	1	.4
Counseling Referral	12	4.7
Educational Req. - Community Pathway	2	.8
Educational Req. – Integrity Pathway	2	.8
Educational Req. – Knowledge Pathway	0	0
Educational Req. – Well-Being Pathway	1	.4
Educational Requirement (Non-Pathway)	3	1.2
Expulsion	4	1.6
Fine	0	0
Follow-Up (Required Appointment)	42	16.3
Housing Probation	24	9.3
Housing Restriction/Removal	24	9.3
No Contact Order	10	3.7
Parental Notification	25	9.7
Restriction (Location)	8	3.1
Restriction (Privilege)	3	1.2

Organization Cease and Desist	1	.4
Disciplinary Probation	47	18.2
Written Reprimand	45	17.4
Restitution	1	.4
Suspension	1	.4
Tenure Probation	0	0
Additional Sanctions/Stipulations	12	4.7

*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

The university made serious adjustments to all operations beginning in March of 2020 due to the COVID pandemic. These adjustments had a direct impact on the Office of Student Conduct and the types of referrals the office received. Housing and Residential Life was at single occupancy for the duration of the time period covered by these statistics which meant less students physically living in housing and less activity, social or otherwise. On-site classes were also limited during this time period. The campus was under mask requirements and social distance protocols. The office handled more “non-conduct” referrals as a result (which are not reflected in these statistics). Staff assisted with outreach to students who were potentially in violation of expectations associated with COVID.

Educational Outreach

Staff members participated in far less educational outreach opportunities due to the limitations that were in place. Staff members still engaged in trainings for Housing and Residential Life, the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life, and Athletics.