



1                   **STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES CODE**  
2                               **TITLE 1 – COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

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4                               **CHAPTER B. COLLEGE OPERATIONS**

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6                               **CHAPTER 500. STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

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8   **1B SBCCC 500.1   ~~Excused School Absence for Military National Guard Service~~**

9   ~~Beginning with the Fall 2017 academic term, each community college shall allow a~~  
10 ~~student enrolled in a community college who is a National Guard service member placed~~  
11 ~~onto State active duty status during an academic term to be given an excused absence~~  
12 ~~for the period of time the student is on active duty. Each community college shall adopt a~~  
13 ~~policy to give an excused absence to any student who is in the United States Armed~~  
14 ~~Forces who has received temporary or permanent re-assignment as a result of military~~  
15 ~~operations and to any student who is a National Guard service member placed onto State~~  
16 ~~active duty status during an academic term for the period of time the student is on active~~  
17 ~~duty. The policy shall further provide the following:~~

- 18 (a) Colleges shall provide the student the opportunity to make up any test or other work  
19       missed during the excused absence.
- 20 (b) Colleges shall give the student the option, when feasible, to continue classes and  
21       coursework during the academic term through online participation for the period of  
22       time the student is placed on active duty.
- 23 (c) Colleges shall give the student the option of receiving a temporary grade of  
24       "incomplete (IN)" or "absent from the final exam (AB)" for any course that the student  
25       was unable to complete as a result of being placed on State active duty status;  
26       however, the student must complete the course requirements within the period of time  
27       specified by the college to avoid receiving a failing grade for the course.
- 28 (d) Colleges shall permit the student to drop, with no penalty, any course that the student  
29       was unable to complete as a result of being placed on State active duty status.

1 (e) Colleges shall permit the student to drop, with no financial penalty, any course that  
2 the student was unable to complete as a result of the excused absence as set forth  
3 in 1E SBCCC 900.4.  
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