What is Campus Carry?

Texas Senate Bill 11 (84R Texas Legislature), also known as the "Campus Carry" law, allows concealed handgun license holders to carry concealed handguns on the campus of Texas Higher Education institutions. The effective date for Texas community colleges is August 1, 2017.

To review S.B. 11, click on this link:

http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/tlodocs/84R/billtext/pdf/SB00011F.pdf#navpanes=0

To learn about Texas Department of Public Safety handgun procedures, click on this link:

https://www.dps.texas.gov/rsd/chl/

In accordance with state law, the licensed carry of concealed handguns will be allowed at all Frank Phillips College locations/facilities beginning on August 1, 2017. A license holder may carry a concealed handgun on the campus of Frank Phillips College or in a college vehicle, unless prohibited by state or federal law. A license holder is responsible for complying with the applicable state law prohibitions.

The college president established this policy after consulting with Frank Phillips College students, staff and faculty about the nature of the student population, specific safety considerations, and the uniqueness of the campus environment. The policy was reviewed and approved by the Frank Phillips College Board of Regents as required by law. This policy can be changed and amended as deemed necessary by the college president. All changes and amendments will have Board of Regent approval and proper notice will be provided.

By law, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all campus premises. Licensed peace officers are authorized by law to carry firearms at all time.

Employees who are license holders are permitted to store a handgun in their office space so long as the gun is secured in a locked drawer or compartment. All licensed holders must secure their handgun when it is not on or about their person.

Any resident of campus housing who is a license holder and wants to store a handgun in his/her room must securely store it in a safe approved by the Director of Student Central.

Approved by the Frank Phillips College Board of Regents on March 20, 2017.