

STUDENT APPEALS

Students who are unable to resolve their complaint, grievance, or appeal through the chain of command described above may appeal in writing to the Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs, or their designee, who must hear the appeal and render a final decision as outlined in LSSC Administrative Procedure 4.14 (https://www.lssc.edu/wp-content/uploads/PRO_4-14.pdf).

Student or student organizations have the right to appeal the final decision of the hearing officer in cases involving violations of the **LSSC Student Code of Conduct** directly to the Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs, or their designee, who must hear the appeal and render a final decision. The Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs, or their designee, may not have directly participated in any other proceeding related to the charged violation. (F.S.1006.60)

Elected or appointed officers of the LSSC Student Government Association who have been **disciplined, suspended, or removed from office**, have the right to directly appeal such decision to the Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs, or their designee, who must hear the appeal and render a final decision. The Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs, or their designee, may not have directly participated in any other proceeding related to the charged violation. (F.S.1006.60)

The Vice President of Enrollment & Student Affairs will consider grievances against decisions or actions that were made by employees or agents of LSSC based on:

- **Procedural errors** - when published procedures were not followed and the error(s) egregiously violated the student's, club's or organization's rights.
- **Substantive errors** - when the evidence presented at the hearing was not sufficient to justify the decision reached or if the sanction(s) imposed is (are) unreasonably harsh based upon the circumstances of the case and the prior record of the student.
- **New evidence** - when information, existing at the time of the hearing, was not available or known to exist at the time of the hearing.