



## MEMORANDUM

VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

DATE: August 6, 2021

TO: Alabama Commission on Higher Education

FROM: Michael A. Mitchell, Ph.D.

SUBJECT: Speech Expression Activities and University Speech and  
Grounds Policy and Report, 2020-2021

Alabama Code § 16-68-1, *et seq.*, pertaining to speech and expression on public education institutions, requires the University of South Alabama Board of Trustees to prepare an annual report detailing the status of compliance by the university to ensure compliance with the law. The Board of Trustees of the University of South Alabama has authorized me to prepare this annual report for the Alabama Commission of Higher Education so that it can notify the Governor and the Legislature of the University's compliance with the law.

The following chart details the date and description of any policy violations during the period of August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021. The chart also details the date of resolution and disposition.

Date of Policy Violation	Description of Policy Violation	Action Taken
February 11, 2021	University Police received a complaint from a individual that they were dispatched that an individual was threatening them with the University was outside of the Student Center. The individual used abusive language towards the individual. Based on the complaint, University Police determined that the speech was not protected.	

The University of South Alabama had no substantial difficulty in maintaining a culture of compliance since making this report for the period addressed by this report.