

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

Policy Section: **HEALTH & SAFETY**

Policy Title: **DRONES**

Mid-State Technical College recognizes that the operation of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), also referred to as "drones", is increasing in popularity and usage. This policy establishes requirements for the safe operation of unmanned aircraft systems at all Mid-State Facilities and shall be referenced to assist with compliance with Federal Aviation Administration, state laws and Mid-State Policies.

- All drone operation shall be in compliance with local, state, and federal laws, rules, and/or regulations.
- All drone operation shall be in conjunction with curriculum-related instruction or college related purposes.
- ONLY drones weighing 55 pounds or less (including payload) will be permitted for instructional
 use.
- During the handling/use of a drone personal protective equipment (PPE) shall be required –
 including eye protection and cut-resistant gloves.
- Hobby or recreational use of drones on Mid-State facilities is prohibited.

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