

Standards: Chalking on WWU Main Campus

University Standards: STN-U8650.01B

Authority

POL-U8650.01 Posting on Main Campus

See Also

[Use of University Property – Freedom of Expression and Assembly](#) (WAC 516-35)

[Use of University Property – Scheduling and General Use](#) (WAC 516-36)

[Freedom of Expression and Prohibited Conduct](#) (WAC 516-24-130)

[Ensuring Equal Opportunity and Prohibiting Discrimination and Retaliation](#) (POL U1600.02)

[Student Conduct Code](#) (WAC 516-21)

Purpose

University groups or individuals may use chalk in designated areas of the campus and under these specific conditions as a means of expressing their views and exchanging information.

Definitions

Open Chalking Space- the bricked grounds of Red Square, not including building walkways and stairways. This area does not require a reservation.

Standards

Chalking may occur on campus as permitted herein:

1. Chalking in Open Chalking Space as described in definitions is allowed using non-toxic, water-soluble chalk.
2. Open Chalking area may be cleaned:
 - a) Prior to a scheduled event
 - b) In relation to required maintenance
 - c) As necessary if/when rain does not fully wash it away
3. Chalking is permitted only on the ground and is prohibited on areas including but not limited to: walls, columns, artwork, benches, tables, landscaping, or part of any facility or structure.
4. Chalking outside of the Open Chalking Space requires the following:
 - a) Exterior Space Reservation must be approved prior to chalking. Reservations can be made at <https://events.wwu.edu/VirtualEMS/> (Exception: Residence Hall- reserve through Resident Director).
 - b) Chalking must be cleaned up by the reserving entity no later than two (2) days after the scheduled event.
5. The University is not responsible for ensuring that the presence of any chalking will be maintained for any duration.

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6. Additional reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions may be placed on the use of campus space, including exterior space related to chalking.
7. Chalking that violates these standards, campus policies, codes of conduct, or laws may be removed, and may result in cleaning costs assessed to those responsible for the chalking. Violations may also be forwarded to Office of Student Life, University Police, etc.