

Article XI. Appeals

1. Cases which result in sanctions of restricted access, housing eviction, suspension, expulsion and/or banned from campus are eligible for appeal.
2. A request for appeal must be made within ten business days of the dated, written notification (hard copy or electronic) of the decision rendered during the student conduct proceeding. Any decision that does not receive a request for appeal within the designated timeline will be considered final and binding upon all involved.
3. Request for appeals must be in writing, addressed and delivered to the Office of the Associate Dean of Students. Students must follow the appeal procedures including completion of necessary forms found online at <http://studentconduct.tamucc.edu/studentresources.html>.
4. Except as required to explain the basis of new information, an appeal shall be limited to a review of the verbatim record of the hearing and supporting documents for one or more of the following purposes:
 - a. **Procedure:** To determine whether the hearing was conducted in conformity with the prescribed process. Deviations from the designated procedure will not be a basis for sustaining an appeal unless substantial prejudice to the alleged violator or victim can be shown.
 - b. **New Information:** To consider new information sufficient to alter a decision, not brought out in the original hearing because such information could not have been known to the alleged violator and/or victim at the time of the original hearing.
5. Once a request for appeal is received, appropriate parties will be notified of receipt of the appeal and provided a description of the next steps in the process. The Appellate Board will review all appeal requests along with all relevant materials regarding the case. Appeals will be heard within 20 business days from notification of the hearing outcome.
6. If an appeal is upheld by the Appellate Board, the matter shall be returned to the original Hearing Body for re-opening of the hearing to allow reconsideration of the original determination. Upon rehearing, the outcome of the case may be overturned and/or if applicable a lesser, or a greater sanction may be assigned. If an appeal is not upheld, the matter shall be considered final and binding upon all involved.