



Policy Type: **Operating Practice**

Policy Title: **Emergency Student Food Bank**

### **The Student Administrative Council Emergency Food Bank**

The Student Administrative Council operates an on-campus emergency food bank for students. This service is non-judgemental and confidential. The food bank is not meant to supplement OSAP or personal budget but to assist students in the rare times when resources for food are unavailable.

No appointment is needed to access this service; however, students must fill out Food Bank form.

The food bank is supported by donations from Kawartha Food Share and Kawartha community Church as well as food drives through the College.

### **Who Can Access the Food Bank?**

Any current student can access this emergency service.

### **Guidelines for Use**

1. Access to the food bank is on an emergency basis only and is limited to three times per semester.

Students attempting to access the food bank more than three times will be connected with better resources in the community. Any student with greater need can also inquire about additional support and options.

2. All students will be asked to provide a current student card.
3. Records of Access will be kept at the point of access. The staff will note the student's name, card number, number of adults and children being fed, date and signature for tracking purposes. This is only to provide us with statistical data. Names and numbers are not shared and will remain confidential.
4. Each student will provide a grocery bag which will be filled. Items in the bag will be determined by inventory in the Emergency Food Bank.
5. Referrals to other college and community support services are available through the food bank. Students showing greater need than the emergency capacity of the student food bank may be referred to outside agencies that provide food and support.