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SUBJECT: **Security of JSU Revenue**

APPROVED: **William A. Meehan, President**

**PURPOSE**

Jacksonville State University maintains control and security of all funds and assures the best possible protection and the lowest risk to responsible individuals.

**POLICY**

1. Deposits for monies collected during regular business hours should be made in the Office of Student Accounts no later than 3:00 P.M. on the day of collection, or placed in the university-approved bank night depository.

   A. A cashier will assist the depositor, who must be a full time JSU employee. Students and other customers in line will receive priority.

   B. The depositor must supply the receipts issued for funds deposited. Receipts will be presented with a Revenue Check-Up Sheet (Form #38) and a tape of cash and checks deposited.

   C. Checks should be endorsed with a one-line endorsement stamp that bears the name of the department account.

   D. All receipts must be deposited intact and as presented. Personal checks should not be cashed from department receipts.

   E. Credit card collections must be reported daily by departments. Individual credit card receipts with a tape balancing to the summary receipt should be provided.

2. Collections received after the daily deposit deadline are to be secured. A Revenue Check-Up Sheet (Form #38) should be included with the revenue account number, receipt numbers, and name of the depositor.

3. Money collected from ticket sales after the daily deposit is to be placed in the university-approved bank night depository. If the department leaves a key to the deposit bag with the Office of Student Accounts and includes a Revenue Check-Up Sheet (Form #38) with the funds in the bag, the deposit will be made the next work day and credited to the appropriate revenue account number. The change fund will
be maintained in a separate bag in the safe in the Office of Student Accounts until the end of the season. The Office of Student Accounts will not have a key to that bag.

4. The head cashier will maintain blank, pre-numbered, three-part JSU receipt books and issue them to the responsible person in each office to record cash and checks collected. The responsible person must be a full-time JSU employee. The distribution of receipt books to departments will be approved by the Bursar.

A. The JSU employee will sign and date a form that reports the type of receipts to be collected and the receipt numbers in the book. Receipts will be accounted for in numerical sequence on the Revenue Check-Up Sheet (Form #38). Voided receipts should be returned with the deposit to account for the numbers used. The head cashier will maintain a log of receipt books issued, as well as a log of receipts used. When a deposit is made to a revenue account, the cashier will issue one computer-generated receipt for the total amount deposited with the receipt numbers recorded on the computerized receipt. Deposits to a student's account will be recorded individually with a computer-generated receipt issued per student. Receipts deposited out of sequence will be reported to the Bursar, who will notify the Budget Manager. The Budget Manager or his supervisor will take immediate action to account for the missing receipts.

B. The department is responsible for maintaining records for funds received and retaining these records for audit purposes as required by the University Retention Policy. The original receipt will be given to the payee, the second part will be included with the deposit and the third part will be maintained in the department.

Prior written approval by the Vice President for Finance and Administration is required for retaining cash at the end of the day.

5. JSU-Gadsden, or other off-campus offices, that make deposits of collected tuition and fees should transmit by facsimile to the Office of Student Accounts a list of student names, student numbers, and amount collected for each; otherwise students may not be confirmed. The deposit will be deposited at the university-approved bank with the proper JSU Current Fund Deposit Form. The duplicate deposit slip must be turned in to the JSU head cashier no later than 2:00 P.M. the following work day.

6. Departments of Jacksonville State University and affiliated organizations may accept credit cards for payment. The opening of a new merchant account for the purpose of accepting and processing credit cards at the University is managed through the Office of Student Accounts. Any fees associated with the acceptance of the credit card in that unit may be charged to the unit.

A. Each department accepting credit cards must designate an individual within the department who will have primary authority and responsibility for credit card transactions to include the security of the customer's information.
B. Credit card payments accepted in departments by phone during regular business hours (or during computer/power outages) will deposit the money in the Office of the Bursar credited to the appropriate revenue or student account no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of collection.

C. Any handwritten credit card information should be sealed, marked “confidential,” and Hand Delivered by a JSU employee to the Office of Student Accounts daily.

D. Credit card information is not to be kept on spreadsheets, individual computers, and/or removable media.

E. All written credit card information must be shredded daily using a cross-cut shredder to protect the customer.

F. Only the last four (4) digits of a credit card number can be maintained for reference.

G. Annual reviews will be conducted with each department to discuss changes and security for credit card processing.

7. PETTY CASH FOR STUDENT TRAVEL

Petty Cash may be advanced for student travel expenses. To receive petty cash for student (individual or group) travel, an Encumbrance (PCSH) is submitted. Checks are issued for Petty Cash requests in excess of $1,000. The approved encumbrance must be received by the Accounts Payable Clerk a minimum of five (5) working days prior to the date the funds are needed. Petty Cash amounts of $1,000 or less will be distributed in cash. The funds (either check or cash) may be picked up by a full-time University employee at the Head Cashier’s window (245 Bibb Graves Hall) between the hours of 8:00 and 11:00 A.M. or 1:30 and 3:00 P.M. Upon completion of the trip/event, any funds not used, along with full documentation of funds expended (the Petty Cash Voucher - Form #48 - signed by the University employee, a list of the names of all students involved, a copy of the document authorizing participation in said trip/event, and all receipts) must be turned in to the Head Cashier by the full-time employee within two (2) working days after the completion of the trip/event during the specified hours outlined.

8. Requests for refunds for prepaid services should be submitted to Accounts Payable by the budget manager on a Request for Refund Form (Form #52).
RESPONSIBILITY

The Vice President for Finance & Administration is responsible for this policy.

EVALUATION

This policy will be reviewed every five years by the Office of the Controller.