Title: Amnesty Policy for Alcohol and/or Drug Use

Policy Owner: Office of Student Affairs

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Applies to: All Members of the Juilliard Community (including all College, Pre-College, MAP, and Evening Division faculty, staff, and students)

Effective Date: March 1, 2018

The health and safety of every student at The Juilliard School is of utmost importance. As such, in cases of significant intoxication as a result of alcohol or other substances, the School encourages students to seek medical or other assistance for themselves or others. An Amnesty Policy benefits our campus by encouraging students to make responsible decisions in seeking medical attention in serious or life-threatening situations that result from alcohol and/or other drug use or abuse and in any situation where medical treatment or other assistance is reasonably believed to be appropriate. This policy seeks to diminish fear of disciplinary and conduct sanctions in such situations and to encourage individuals to seek needed medical or other attention to ensure their health and safety, as well as the health and safety of others.

Juilliard also recognizes that students who have been drinking and/or using drugs (whether such use is voluntary or involuntary) at any time that violence occurs, including but not limited to domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault, may be hesitant to report such incidents due to fear of potential consequences for their own conduct. Juilliard strongly encourages students to report domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault to appropriate School officials. A bystander acting in good faith or a reporting individual acting in good faith that discloses any incident of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault to Juilliard officials or law enforcement will not be subject to the School’s Code of Conduct action for violations of alcohol and/or drug use policies occurring at or near the time of the commission of the domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault.

If medical or other assistance is sought, or a student otherwise needs to report an incident of violence, the Student Affairs Office will not pursue conduct charges against the following individuals for violations of the School’s Alcohol and Drug Policy:

• The intoxicated student
• Student(s) actively assisting the intoxicated student
Actively assisting requires that an individual:

• Call NYPD (911) or seek another individual qualified to assess the student’s condition, such as a Resident Assistant (RA) or other Residence Life professional
• Monitor the intoxicated student’s condition

The following are not covered by the Amnesty Policy:

• Students waiting until the police or other authority arrive before seeking assistance
• Violations of the Code of Conduct other than the alcohol/drugs policy
• Possession with the intent to distribute drugs

Actions by the Office of Student Affairs:

• The intoxicated student (and possibly those who were attending to/assisting the student) will be required to meet with a member of the Student Affairs staff who may issue educational requirements that may include, but are not limited to, alcohol and/or drug education, counseling, and/or a substance abuse assessment.

• Serious or repeated incidents will prompt a higher degree of concern/response.

• Failure to meet with a School staff member and/or failure to complete the educational assignments or treatment recommendations normally will result in disciplinary action.

• The student will be responsible for any costs associated with drug or alcohol education interventions.