

# **Munson-Williams-Proctor Arts Institute (MWPAI)**

## **Students' Bill of Rights In Cases Involving Sexual Assault, Domestic/Dating Violence, and Stalking**

### **All Students have the right to:**

1. Make a report to local law enforcement and/or State Police;
2. Have disclosures of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Stalking and Sexual Assault Treated Seriously;
3. Make a decision about whether or not to disclose a crime or violation and participate in the judicial or conduct process and/or criminal justice process free from pressure by MWPAI;
4. Participate in a process that is fair impartial, and provides adequate notice and meaningful opportunity to be heard;
5. Be treated with dignity and to receive from the institution courteous, fair and respectful health care and counseling services where available;
6. Be free from any suggestion that the reporting individual is at fault when these crimes and violations are committed, or should have acted in a different manner to avoid such crimes or violations;
7. Describe the incident to as few institution representatives as practicable and not be required to unnecessarily repeat a description of the incident;
8. Be protected from retaliation by MWPAI, any student, the accused and/or the respondent, and/or their friends, family and acquaintances within the jurisdiction of MWPAI.
9. Access to at least one level of appeal of a determination;
10. Be accompanied by an advisor of choice who may assist and advise a reporting individual, accused, or respondent throughout the judicial or conduct process including during all meetings and hearings related to such process; and
11. Exercise civil rights and practice of religion without interference by the investigative, criminal justice, or judicial or conduct process of MWPAI.