

FINANCE PROCEDURE MANUAL	TITLE: Write-Offs	
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➤ **Purpose:**

In accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) and Board Policy 6Hx-18 4.50 Delinquent Accounts, the College reviews account balances or receivables of amounts owed that are over one year and above certain dollar threshold. If a reasonable attempt has been made for collection and it is deemed to be uncollectible, a compilation and analysis will be reviewed by Executive Management and determined to be presented to the District Board of Trustees as Board Agenda Item.

➤ **Definitions:**

Workday: The online Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system used to track and maintain operations at the College including financial, student, and payroll/personnel records.

Receivable: Generally refers to money owed to the College for goods/services provided.

Write-offs: Any receivable balance that is deemed to be uncollected after a reasonable attempt has been made to collect. The receivable is reduced to zero and removed from the College's balance sheet.

➤ **Responsibility:**

Student Account Services Director: Prepares detailed list of potential write-offs.

Controller and Vice President of Finance: Review accounts and analysis of potential write-offs to prepare and Board Agenda that will be submitted to the District Board of Trustees.

District Board of Trustees: Approves write-offs.

➤ **Procedure Details:**

1. Student Account Services Director and Accountant reviews a detailed subsidiary listing of any uncollected accounts to be presented for write-off:
 - a. Amounts equal to or above \$50.00 and over 2 years old from the original date of the receivable to the write-off date.
 - b. Amounts above \$10 and less than \$50.00 and over 1 year old from the original date of the receivable to the write-off date.
 - c. Amounts \$10 and under may be written off as a "Small Balance Forgiveness" throughout the year.
2. Write-off date is determined based on presentation to the Board of Trustees.
3. Student Account Services Director submits a detailed list of uncollected accounts to the Board of Trustees for approval.
4. Upon approval, the receivable is written-off in the College's Workday system, and the appropriate accounting entries are made.
5. The amount written-off is maintained as part of the educational debt owed by the student or payee in the form of a student registration hold.
 - a. The student or customer accounts are placed on hold until paid or cleared by legal requirements such as bankruptcies.
 - b. Student accounts on hold will not allow future registrations.

➤ **References:**

Florida Statutes: 1010.03

<http://www.flsenate.gov/statutes/>

Florida Statutes: 1001.64

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College Board Policy: 6Hx-18-4.50

<http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/boardoftrustees/documents/BoardPolicies/Section4/4.50.pdf>