

BOMET UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

(A Constituent College of Moi University)

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON 7TH STUDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION (2025)

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ASPIRANTS FOR ELECTIVE POSITIONS IN BUCSO ELECTIONS

Preamble:

This Code of Conduct aims to foster discipline, integrity, and fairness during the nomination and electioneering period for candidates seeking elective positions in the BUCSO. All candidates are expected to adhere to these guidelines to ensure a transparent and respectful electoral process.

1. Eligibility and Compliance

- All candidates must meet the eligibility criteria outlined in the BUCSO Constitution and electoral guidelines.
- Candidates must register officially through the recognized nomination process and submit all required documentation within the specified timelines.
- Compliance with this Code of Conduct is mandatory from the time of nomination until the conclusion of the electoral process.

2. Campaign Conduct

- Campaigns must promote respect, unity and understanding among students.
- Personal attacks, defamatory statements, hate speech and inflammatory language are strictly prohibited.
- Candidates must refrain from any form of harassment, intimidation or coercion of voters.
- Campaign materials and activities must not disrupt academic activities or deface University property.
- Use of university resources (except those officially sanctioned for campaign purposes) is prohibited.

3. Ethical Behavior

- Candidates must exhibit honesty, integrity and professionalism throughout the electoral process.
- Offering, promising or accepting bribes or incentives to influence voter behavior is strictly prohibited.
- Candidates should not engage in any form of malpractice, including but not limited to voter manipulation, falsification of documents or spreading false information.

4. Fair Play and Respect for Opponents

- All candidates should treat their opponents with respect and refrain from actions that undermine their opponents' dignity or campaigns.
- Destruction or defacement of opponents' campaign materials is strictly forbidden.
- Candidates should address grievances through the appropriate channels rather than resorting to disruptive tactics.

5. Public Engagements

- All public debates, rallies and engagements must be conducted peacefully and in accordance with University regulations.
- Candidates are encouraged to present their manifestos and engage in constructive discussions about their vision and policies.

6. Social Media Conduct

- Candidates must ensure responsible and respectful use of social media platforms.
- Cyberbullying, spreading misinformation or engaging in inappropriate online behavior will not be tolerated.

7. Grievance Resolution

- Candidates must raise any complaints or disputes regarding the election process through the Student Electoral Commission (SEC).
- The decisions of the electoral committee, made in accordance with the University's regulations, will be final and binding.

8. Post-Election Conduct

- All candidates must accept election results with dignity and respect the decision of the electorate.
- Victorious candidates should embrace inclusivity and ensure representation of all student interests.
- Non-elected candidates are encouraged to continue contributing positively to the university community.

9. Disciplinary Measures

 Violations of this Code of Conduct will result in appropriate disciplinary action, including disqualification, suspension of campaigning rights, or other penalties as deemed necessary by the Student Electoral Commission.

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Concl	lusion:

This Code of Conduct is established to promote a fair, peaceful, and inclusive electoral environment. All candidates are urged to uphold the highest standards of behavior and contribute positively to the democratic values of the university.

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