

**The Lutheran University Association, Inc.
d/b/a Valparaiso University**

Policy Regarding Prohibition of Pets on Campus

Due to safety, health and sanitation reasons, pets of any type are not allowed in any University owned or leased buildings, or any outdoor athletic events.

EXCEPTIONS:

- Service animals as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 or any other law or regulations that allow a person to utilize a service animal to reasonably accommodate a disability.
- Fish will be allowed in residence halls. Aquariums may be a maximum of 10 gallons.
- Employees may occasionally bring their pets to their workplace (excluding athletic events) with the following criteria:
 - a. The employee receives written approval from their supervisor and no such approval may exceed 1 year in duration;
 - b. No other employee, student, or visitor who will be within reasonable proximity of pet on campus, objects to the pet's presence;
 - c. The pet's presence does not violate any law or applicable health code; and
 - d. The employee is responsible for health, safety, control, and cleanup of the pet and any property damages it causes in the workplace.
- Pursuant to an event sponsored by an employee or university organization hosting a Pet Therapy team and/or pet therapy type event.
- On a case-by-case basis, upon the approval of the University's Vice President and General Counsel.

Any dogs or other domestic animals on University grounds must be in the control of their owners. An owner will be deemed to be in control of a domestic animal if it is on a leash held by the owner or caged.

Any infractions or complaints should be brought to the attention of Campus Police, 464-5430.

Any questions regarding this policy may be referred to the University's Vice President and General Counsel.

Approved by President's Cabinet August 30, 2021