



STATE OF OHIO FRAUD HOTLINE

In 2003, then Auditor of State Betty Montgomery created the Auditor of State's fraud hotline. The hotline was established as a way for all Ohioans to report potential fraud throughout government.

House Bill 66, effective May 4, 2012, made several changes to the Auditor of State's fraud hotline. The bill requires the Auditor of State to maintain a system for the reporting of fraud. The system allows all Ohio citizens the opportunity to make anonymous complaints through a toll-free telephone number, the Auditor of State's website, or through the United States' mail.

The legislation also extends the current whistle-blower protections contained in Section 124.341 of the Revised Code to employees who file a complaint with the new fraud-reporting system. If an employee becomes aware of a situation and reports it to the Auditor of State's fraud-reporting system, the employee is protected against certain retaliatory or disciplinary actions. If retaliatory or disciplinary action is taken against the employee, the employee has the right to appeal with the State Personnel Board of Review.

Section 117.103 requires the Auditor of State to confirm that public offices have notified new employees of the fraud reporting phone number, address, and website (below). Please scroll down to the accompanying acknowledgement form which you should print out, complete, and turn in with the other required new employee forms.

Phone: 1-866-FRAUD OH (1-866-372-8364)

US Mail: Ohio Auditor of State's Office
Special Investigations Unit
88 East Broad Street
P.O. Box 1140
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Website: <http://ohioauditor.gov/fraud.html>

STATE OF OHIO ETHICS LAW

Ohio public employers are required to provide new employees with a copy of the Ohio Ethics Law and related statutes within 15 days of their start date. The new public employee must acknowledge receipt of the law in writing. The full law, and an overview of the law, can be found here: <https://www.ethics.ohio.gov/education/overview.html>. For future reference, the "Overview of the Ohio Ethics Law" can be found on the college's online employee portal, myLakeland.

At a minimum, please read the "Overview of the Ohio Ethics Law". Once you've reviewed the ethics law, please scroll down to the accompanying acknowledgement form which you should print out, complete, and turn in with the other required new employee forms.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – RECEIPT OF AUDITOR OF STATE FRAUD-REPORTING SYSTEM

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 117.103(B)(1), a public office shall provide information about the Ohio fraud-reporting system and the means of reporting fraud to each new employee upon employment with the public office.

By signing below, I am acknowledging that I have received from Lakeland Community College information about the fraud-reporting system as described by Section 117.103(A) of the Revised Code, and that I have read and understand the information provided. I further acknowledge that I have received and read the information regarding 124.341 of the Revised Code and the protections provided me an employee if I use the before-mentioned fraud-reporting system.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – RECEIPT OF STATE OF OHIO ETHICS LAW

Public officials and public employees at Lakeland Community College are subject to the requirements and restrictions of the Ohio Ethics Law. Lakeland Community College must provide each new employee or appointed or elected official with a copy of the Ohio Ethics Law and obtain written acknowledgement of receipt.

By signing below, I am acknowledging that I have received from Lakeland Community College access to the most current version of the Ohio Ethics Law and related statutes, Chapter 102., and Section 2921.42, of the Ohio Revised Code, in accordance with Section 102.09(D) of the Ohio Revised Code and that I have read and understand the information provided.

Print Name

Signature

Date