



Monroe Community College

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Interacting with Service Animals on Campus

Service animals are individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities. Service animals are working animals, not pets. Therefore, interacting with the animal may distract him or her from doing a very important job.

If you see a service animal on campus, please remember the following:

- Do not bark, make noises at, or talk to the service animal.
- Never pet or touch a service animal.
- Never feed a service animal.
- Never separate or attempt to separate a service animal from his/her handler.

When interacting with the handler:

- Do not ask personal questions about the handler's disability or medical condition.
- Do not draw unnecessary attention to the service animal and his/her handler.
- Do not be offended if the handler does not wish to talk about the service animal.

Please be courteous and give the handler and service animal space to allow them to go about their business on campus.

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