Terms and Conditions

Purpose of My Tri-C Card

The My Tri-C Card (Card) is the official form of identification for Cuyahoga Community College students, faculty, staff and community members (Cardholder). The Card is the property of Cuyahoga Community College (College), issued by the College to the Cardholder, and is nontransferable.

The Cardholder receives a unique College identification number (S-Number) printed on the card along with their name and photograph. These identification fields assist in verifying a Cardholder’s information, records or status with the College via enrollment, employment or membership.

Other features of the Card include access to College recreation facilities and student life programs (e.g., student food bank). The Card also provides stored value account (Account) features that allow the Cardholder to add funds directly to the Card for use anywhere the Card is accepted.

The Card is not a credit or debit card, and it will not function as such outside of the College. It cannot be used to withdraw funds or receive a cash advance from any financial institution, including the College.

College Responsibilities

The College agrees to accept and to hold for Cardholder benefit — exclusively for the purposes described herein — funds distributed to or deposited by the Cardholder into accounts directly associated with the Card. Accounts associated with the Card are maintained and monitored by the College Card Office, with support from the College Enrollment Centers, Student Financial Aid and Student Accounting.

Use of the Card may be revoked at the College’s sole discretion for violation of Card Terms and Conditions or College Policies and Procedures. Faculty and staff must relinquish their Card upon separation from the College. Secured access privileges associated with the Card will be immediately deactivated when any Cardholder’s status with the College is terminated.

Cardholder Responsibilities

Cardholder agrees and will be held to all Card Terms and Conditions as well as College rules, regulations, policies and procedures upon receipt of the Card. Funds and authorized transactions associated with Card Accounts are the direct responsibility of the Cardholder. Attempted transfer or use of the Card outside of the College is prohibited and may result in the revocation of Cardholder privileges.
Cardholder is responsible for requesting that any outstanding Card funds be applied toward payment or refunded to the benefit of the Cardholder.

**Managing Funds on My Tri-C Card**

Cardholders can deposit funds onto their My Tri-C Card at College Enrollment Centers, at Account Management Center locations or through the Online Card Office. Locations have certain restrictions as to what forms of payment can be accepted for deposit onto the Card.

Visit the My Tri-C Card website (www.tri-c.edu/card) for more information.

**Balance Requirements**: No minimum balance is required for any account on the Card. In the event that an account does not have enough funds to pay for a transaction, the individual will be required to either add more funds to their account or provide another form of payment. Cards are prohibited from having a negative Account balance.

**Account Balance and Statements**: Account funds are available immediately upon successful deposit. Individuals can view Card account balances and activity at the Online Card Office. The Online Card Office is accessible from the My Tri-C Card website, my Tri-C space or via the My Tri-C Card mobile app. Account activity for a specific period may also be requested at any Enrollment Center location.

**Fees**: There is no fee associated with the initial issuance of a Card to a new Cardholder. In the event the Card is lost, damaged or stolen, there may be a replacement fee of up to $15. There are no fees charged to use the Card. Any fees charged to an individual, based on the method of how funds are deposited or charged to the Card, are the Cardholder’s responsibility to understand prior to authorizing the transaction. The College Card Office is not responsible for reimbursements charged by other parties, even those affiliated with the College.

**Refund Policies**: Refunds of goods and services are at the discretion of the merchant from which a purchase with the Card was made. It is the Cardholder’s responsibility to know and understand a merchant’s policies before authorizing any purchase with the Card. Unless otherwise noted, all authorized Card purchases at the College are deemed nonrefundable.

**Misuse**: Cards are nontransferable. If a Card is presented by any individual other than the proper Cardholder, the Card may be confiscated and returned to a Campus Enrollment Center or the College Card Office. Any incident considered to be inappropriate, fraudulent or illegal use of the Card or its features may result in reporting the actions to the College Student Affairs Office and Campus Police. The College may take disciplinary actions — per the College’s rules, regulations, policies, and procedures — up to and including prosecution for misuse of the Card or its features.

**Gift Cards**: Cards not associated or directly linked to an individual’s unique College identification number (S-Number) are considered gift cards. This includes cards specifically designed for College departments to use as a form of payment for clients when the department provides a service (e.g., Massage Therapy Clinic). Gift cards are not eligible for transfer, reimbursement or refund of any kind.
**College Access and Security**

Campus Police and Security Services provides approved access to secured locations to designated Cardholders throughout the College. This approved access can be programmed directly to a Cardholder’s Card via a remote chip embedded within the Card. Cardholder is responsible for adhering to all College rules, regulations, policies, procedures and security protocol associated with the approved access to which they are assigned. Cardholder will be held liable for any issue directly related to the misuse of approved secured access. Misuse of Cardholder secured access may result in disciplinary action, termination, arrest or prosecution.

**Lost or Stolen Cards**

Cardholder is responsible for reporting a lost or stolen Card. Cardholder can report a Card lost or stolen through one of the following methods:

- Visiting a College Enrollment Center
- Calling a College Enrollment Center at 216-987-6000, Option #3
- Visiting the Online Card Office or mobile app and selecting the “Deactivate Card” option

Cardholder may be held responsible for all unauthorized transactions associated with the Card prior to it being reported lost or stolen. Once reported, an account “hold,” or “freeze,” will be placed on the Card until it is verified that it is found. If the Card cannot be found, a replacement can be issued to the Cardholder. Cardholder is responsible for applicable charges associated with receiving a replacement Card. Cardholder may be required to provide an additional form of identification to reactivate a lost Card or receive a replacement.

**Error Resolution Procedures**

Cardholders may dispute transactions that appear on their Card Accounts in the event of a billing error, unauthorized transaction or a transaction that is not recognized. Cardholder must file a dispute at a College Enrollment Center location, in person or over the phone, to allow for identification verification prior to any dispute being investigated. Cardholder may be required to submit the dispute in writing following the verbal request to file. A written dispute will be accepted in person at a College Enrollment Center or via email to an Enrollment Center associate director or the College Card Office manager.

Transaction disputes associated with the Cardholder’s Accounts must be received within 60 days of the transaction date. All disputes must include:

- Cardholder name
- Cardholder S-Number
- Date of disputed transaction
- Stored Value Account name disputed transaction incurred against
- Dollar amount being disputed
- Merchant name that performed transaction
- All correspondence between Cardholder and merchant regarding transaction dispute
- Any additional relevant documentation related to the dispute

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If a transaction dispute is not submitted within 60 days of the transaction in question, the transaction cannot be disputed and the College Card Office may decline to investigate the issue.

Any dispute received within the appropriate timeframe will be reviewed within five business days from receipt of the dispute by the College Card Office. The College Card Office will then inform the Cardholder of the results of its investigation within 10 business days from receipt of the dispute. Any corrections will be processed and completed prior to the Cardholder being informed of the dispute investigation results.

**Transfers and Refunds**

Transfers between designated Card Accounts are permitted. All transfer requests must be made in person at a College Enrollment Center location. Transfer requests are subject to approval by Enrollment Center or College Card Office management. The College may deny any transfer request due to a balance issue, Account history or potential Card misuse.

Cardholders may request a refund from approved Accounts in which the Cardholder has personally deposited funds, with the exception of Cards that are considered gift cards. Accounts associated with Financial Aid award funds are nonrefundable until designated by the Student Financial Aid and Student Accounting Offices. Refund requests must be made in writing on the College’s official refund request form and submitted in person at a College Enrollment Center. All refunds are subject to approval by Enrollment Center or College Card Office management.

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- Refunds are only eligible to be issued from the *Tri-C Cash, Dining Dollars and Vending* stored value accounts. The *Book Account* and *Emergency* stored value accounts are not eligible for reimbursement or transfer to other stored value accounts.
- By signing the [My Tri-C Card Refund Request] form, the Cardholder understands and agrees that the approved amount refunded will be received no sooner than 35 business days following the start of the applicable term. Per College Procedural Guidelines, all outstanding balances must be settled prior to refund distribution. Cardholder understands that these guidelines may cause any refund to be less than that originally requested.
- Cardholder understands that this request may be denied based on current or past Account activity that includes fraudulent charges or misuse of the College’s products or services offered, whether on campus or through a remote environment. Any misuse found may result in investigation and possible prosecution.
- All approved refunds are processed and paid to the Cardholder directly, based on the Cardholder’s disbursement election associated with their College account.
- All changes to the way Financial Aid is applied to a College account or My Tri-C Card stored value accounts must be made at a campus Financial Aid office.
- Completed forms, along with College photo identification, must be presented to a campus Enrollment Center to begin the refund request process.
**Card Inactivity and Closing**

Cards are to be considered inactive and closed following a 24-month period without any type of activity. Card activity is defined as using the Card as a form of payment or accessing a service on campus (e.g., a recreation facility). It is the Cardholder’s responsibility to maintain activity on the Card to prevent the potential loss of approved access to facilities or funds in the Card’s Accounts. Once a Card is considered inactive, any remaining Account balances are forfeited to the College. Card inactivity is monitored annually in the 12th month of the College’s fiscal year. Once a Card has been qualified as inactive, funds have been forfeited and Card has been closed, the Cardholder will be denied reimbursement.

The College reserves the right to close a Card at any time. Cardholder has the right to close their Card at any time and to request a reimbursement. The College maintains the right to refuse a subsequent request to open or activate a new Card from any current or previous Cardholder.

**Third-Party Disclosure**

The College will not disclose information related to the Card and Cardholder without written consent from Cardholder, unless otherwise required by law. Contracted service partners who support the College’s normal operations are not considered third parties. Information may be shared to contracted service partners at the discretion of the College, when requested and appropriate. Common information shared to contracted service partners may include, but are not limited to:

- Cardholder name
- Cardholder photograph
- Account activity
- Card number

**Rights of Cuyahoga Community College**

The Card and all associated records are the property of the College. The College Card Office reserves the right to close a Cardholder’s Card and associated Accounts at any time, for any reason. The College may refuse any request to establish or re-establish a Card and associated Accounts.

**Effective Date of Terms and Conditions**

Terms and conditions are effective immediately upon issuance of the Card to the Cardholder. Terms and conditions will remain in effect until the Cardholder or College closes the Card and its Accounts. The terms and conditions of this agreement are subject to change without notice. The College will comply with all applicable laws regarding the use of information associated with the Card.