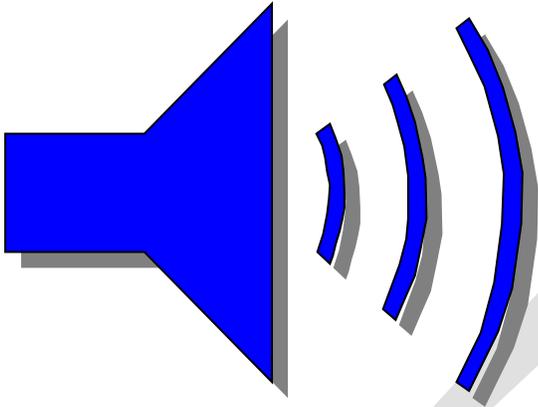


# Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

## Outdoor Event Sound Amplification Guidelines



Amplified sound as part of campus events has the potential to interfere with the University's primary mission to educate. The following regulations are designed in order to minimize the disruption of the educational process.

The use of any type of amplified sound system by student organizations, university departments, or other event/activities sponsors must be approved in advance through the University Center Scheduling Office. Approval will be granted if amplification will not disturb or disrupt class, reading days, finals, other

testing periods and other previously scheduled events. Specific locations have been established on campus for the use of amplified sound:

Advanced Approval	Restricted <sup>1</sup>
Center for Instruction Courtyard	Garcia Plaza
University Center Anchor Plaza	Lee Plaza
University Center East Lawn	
University Center Sea Breeze Patio	
Bay Hall Lawn	
Island Hall Plaza	

<sup>1</sup>Restricted Areas--Amplified sound may be used during the following hours: 11am-1:30pm and after 5pm Monday – Friday. The equipment must be more than 50 feet from, and directed away from, any classroom building, residence hall, library, or other locations in use.

The following regulations apply to all events involving amplified sound:

- ⊕ Amplified sound will not exceed 80 decibels within 50 feet of the speakers when sound is used outside, and 70 decibels when used indoors when classes are in session. Sound level guidelines may be relaxed when classes are not in session; however, the University Center staff will make this determination in advance.
- ⊕ If noise complaints are received, the UC staff will work with the event sponsor to lower the sound level (even if below the above stated guidelines) but may, if necessary, turn off the sound amplification.
- ⊕ Reservations for amplification will be on a first come, first serve basis. No more than one group will be allowed amplified sound in each area.
- ⊕ If there is a question regarding the boundaries of a location, University Center Director or designee will make the final determination. Exceptions to these policies will be handled on a case by case basis.

Failure to abide by these guidelines may result in disciplinary measures and/or sanctions to the organizations including, but not limited to, cancellation of the event in progress, cancellation of other reservations and/or loss of scheduling privileges.