

Using Records Retention Schedules: How Long Do Community College Club Records Need to Be Kept?

Purpose: Provide guidance to community colleges on the retention of club records.

Community college club records are covered in the *State Government General* and *Community and Technical Colleges Records Retention Schedules*.

Here is the retention for some of the most common types of club records:

Type of Club Records	Covered By
Charter/Constitution	Policies and Procedures – Agency Core Mission (DAN GS 10002) Retain for 6 years after end of calendar year then Transfer to Washington State Archives for appraisal and selective retention
Club Council/Congress Meeting Records (for bodies other than student government, college administration, or similar entities who have budgeting authority).	Governing/Executive/Policy-Setting Body Records (DAN GS 10004) Retain for 6 years after end of calendar year then Transfer to Washington State Archives for permanent retention
Club Initiation Forms (activation, petition to charter, sanctioning, etc.)	Contracts and Agreements (DAN GS 01050) Retain for 6 years after termination or expiration of instrument then Destroy
Events (Routine)	Celebrations/Ceremonies/Events – Routine (DAN GS 05008) Retain until no longer needed for agency business then Destroy
Expenditures/Financial Records	Financial Transactions – General (DAN GS 01001) Retain for 6 years after end of fiscal year then Destroy
Fundraising Records	Fundraising Efforts (DAN 20-02-69450) Retain for 6 years after end of fiscal year then Destroy

For the full description of these types of records and other guidance, please see the *State Government General Records Retention Schedule* and the *Community and Technical Colleges Records Retention Schedule*.

Additional advice regarding the management of public records is available from Washington State Archives: