

'No Pressure On Grades'

In a statement released to all faculty members, Dr. James Merry, Chairman, Academic Proficiency Committee, said that he wished "to make clear that neither the Academic Proficiency Committee nor the Dean of Students' Office has recommended that any student request an instructor to change a grade so that the student may be re-enrolled or for any other reason."

"We wish to emphasize that grade changes—except from incompletes," he said, "should be made only for

reasons such as clerical errors not because of the status of the student relative to suspension."

Merry said he released the statement because it has come to the committee's attention "that many students who were subject to academic suspension are pressuring instructors to change grades so that they will then be "reinstated."

The reported pressuring of

instructors for grade changes has been the result of a policy change in the reviewing of academic suspensions by the Academic Proficiency Committee.

Students receiving a letter of suspension or dismissal for academic reasons at the conclusion of last semester will have to wait until April to have their appeals reviewed by the Committee.

Volunteer Group Gets