



SUBJECT: Use of Alcoholic Beverages On Campus

REFERENCE: West Virginia Code §18B-1-3

1. PURPOSE

Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College has a genuine interest in providing an environment that strives to protect the health and welfare of its students, employees, alumni and visitors. The College recognizes that inappropriate and irresponsible marketing and promotion of alcoholic beverages on campus can contribute to the problems of alcohol abuse. Therefore, the College, in its concern for the campus community, has adopted this policy prohibiting the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus.

2. SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

The scope of this policy shall extend to every student currently enrolled for course work at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College, to currently employed faculty and staff and to visitors. It shall also extend to properties owned by the College or leased by the College for the College's use. Faculty, staff and student participation in off-campus activities or events, conducted under the auspices of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College, may be subject to restrictions upon the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages. Such restrictions shall be separately published along with other rules of conduct pertinent to such off-campus activities or events.

3. DEFINITIONS

Alcoholic Beverage: Any beverage that includes ethyl alcohol, whatever its origin, and shall include synthetic ethyl alcohol but not denatured alcohol.

4. POLICY

Students, faculty and staff will be encouraged to participate in all activities which promote alcohol and drug-free experiences. Abstinence will be encouraged and seen as a legitimate and socially acceptable choice for any member of the College community. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages on campus is prohibited. The consumption or use of alcoholic beverages during off-campus activities or events held under the auspices of the College is prohibited when expressly proscribed by event or activity rules of conduct.

5. BACKGROUND OR EXCLUSIONS

None

6. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. Restrictions: Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages are prohibited for all



persons while on campus.

- B. Off-Campus Activities: Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages during off-campus activities or events held under the auspices of the College shall be prohibited when proscribed by the rules of conduct published for such activities or events.
- C. Violations of Policy: Any student or staff member who violates the terms of this policy by possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages shall be subject to disciplinary action. Visitors who violate terms of this policy by possessing or consuming alcoholic beverages on campus shall be requested to vacate the premises by the responsible staff member and may be reported to appropriate law enforcement agencies if circumstances warrant.

7. RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROCEDURES

The President or the President’s designee shall cause the terms of this policy to be observed.

8. CANCELLATION

SCP-1010, *Alcoholic Beverages at College Sponsored Activities*, August 20, 2000.

This policy shall be reviewed on a three-year cycle by the President or the President’s designee. Upon such review, the President or President’s designee may recommend to the Board that the policy be amended.

9. SIGNATURES

Board Chair

Date

President

Date

Attachments: None

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