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TITLE: Use of Alcohol Beverages and Illegal Drugs

RELATED POLICY

AND PROCEDURES: 8-7-1050 Use of Alcohol Beverages and Illegal Drugs

DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY: Administrative

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Administrative Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the President of the College, with the assistance of the Campus Police and Security Director to review and revise this procedure.

Definitions

- **A.** Alcoholic beverages-Any beer, wine, liquor, or other beverage containing alcohol.
- **B. Illegal drugs**-Any of a variety of drugs, other than those prescribed by a physician and clearly identified as such, declared illegal under the laws of the State of South Carolina.
- C. Consumption-The personal consumption of any alcoholic beverage, taken alone or in a mixture with other beverages; also the introduction into the human body of any drug, whether orally, by injection, by inhaling, or by any other means.
- **D.** Possession-The maintenance on one's person or within the confines of one's property, including automobiles, of any alcoholic beverage or illegal drug while on any of the campuses of Piedmont Technical College or at an event sponsored by the College, except as permitted under this procedure.

Procedure

A. Procedural Responsibilities

1. The President is responsible for granting, within limits prescribed in this procedure, permission to consume alcoholic beverages on the premises of Piedmont Technical College (PTC).



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2. All College personnel advising student organizations are responsible for communicating and supporting this policy and procedure.

3. The Campus Police and Security Department is charged with exercising appropriate enforcement authority when the policy of the College is violated.

B. General Guidelines

- 1. Employees and students will be informed that the sale, consumption, or possession of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs on any campus is prohibited at all times.
 - a. Students are notified via an email that is sent to the students at the beginning of each academic year.
 - b. Employees are asked to read and sign a document during the employment process.
- 2. All local, state, and federal laws, with respect to alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs, will be enforced at off-campus functions sponsored by the College.
- 3. No Student Government Association revenue, whether generated from fees or auxiliary sources, are to be used to purchase alcoholic beverages.
- 4. In accordance with State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education Policy 1-1-102, Functions of a Technical College President, the President may approve, on a case by case basis, the consumption of drinks containing alcohol by groups using College facilities; such approval, however, will be restricted to adults of legal consumption age or groups leasing facilities. The President has determined that only beer and wine, as defined in Title 61 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, is to be allowed for consumption on College premises. The consumption of other alcoholic beverages as defined by state law is strictly forbidden.