

ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY

Effective

TITLE: Tobacco-Free Policy

POLICY NO:

TYPE: Establishment Of A Tobacco-Free Institution For Students,

Faculty, Staff and Visitors

RATIONALE: Ashland Community & Technical College is committed to

providing its students, employees, and visitors with a safe and healthy environment. In view of this commitment, the college is a tobacco-free institution. No consumption of tobacco or e-tobacco products will be allowed on any college property or in any college facility. The institution displays notices of the tobacco-free policy at all college

locations.

Ashland Community & Technical College tobacco-free policy will be implemented August 1, 2011. Some of the reasons we chose to adopt this policy are as follows:

Presence of underage students

- Tobacco litter desecrating the campus
- Exposure to second-hand smoke (SHS) at building entrances/exits
- Desire to ensure clean air for all who come to the college
- Provide healthy environment in which to work and learn

POLICY: Ashland Community & Technical College recognizes its

leadership role in promoting and maintaining a tobaccofree environment. A majority of faculty, staff, and students do not smoke or use tobacco products; tobacco use is objectionable to many non-tobacco users. A recent report issued by the United States Surgeon General concluded that there is no acceptable level of exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke. Therefore, in conjunction with its efforts to educate

students, faculty, staff and the community about the importance of health and safety, Ashland Community &

Technical College is a tobacco-free institution.



Enforcing a tobacco-free policy is possible because the College places value on individual responsibility and leadership. As such, every member of the Ashland Community & Technical College community shares equally in the responsibility for adhering to and respectfully enforcing the tobacco-free policy.

Specifically:

- A. Tobacco use is prohibited on all College-owned property and within leased College office and classroom space. The use of all tobacco products, is prohibited on College-owned facilities and facilities leased and controlled by the College.
- B. Tobacco use is prohibited in all indoor and outdoor facilities, including entrance steps and ramps, restrooms, pedestrian walkways, entryways, terraces, and campus bus stops.
 *At this time the policy will not be enforced in the enclosed passenger compartments of private automobiles
- C. Tobacco use is prohibited in College-owned or leased vehicles.
- D. Tobacco products will not be sold in College facilities.

The President is authorized to develop and implement procedures to implement this policy.

MONITORING: Dean of Student Affairs