## 7.800 CAMPUS TOBACCO POLICY

In order to promote the health of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors, the College campus is designated as a smoke- and tobacco-free environment. A smoke- and tobacco-free WSCC campus supports a green and clean environment, prepares students for tobacco-free environments in their future, and supports the health and wellness of employees.

### A. Prohibitions, Definitions, and Scope

This policy applies to all members of the College community, including employees, students, visitors, volunteers, and customers. It applies at all facilities, property, and grounds of the College whether they are owned, rented, or leased by the College. This policy also applies in College-owned or -rented vehicles, wherever they are, and in personal vehicles while on College property.

Tobacco is defined as all tobacco-derived or containing products, including and not limited to, cigarettes (e.g., cloves bidis, kreteks), electronic cigarettes/vaping, cigars and cigarillos, hookah smoked products, pipes and oral tobacco (e.g., spit and spit-less, smokeless, chew, snuff) and nasal tobacco (e.g. snus).

The exceptions to this policy include the U.S. Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approved nicotine replacement therapy (e.g., patches, gum, inhalers, and lozenges). Tobacco use may be permitted for controlled research, educational, clinical, or clinical purposes, but only with prior approval of the VPFA.

### B. Visitors

Visitors and volunteers should be made aware and reminded that the College is a smoke- and tobacco-free campus. An effort should be made to educate these groups prior to their arrival on campus by the sponsoring office. During events on campus, the sponsoring office shall make efforts to ensure compliance with this policy.

No person shall discharge, refuse to hire, or in any manner retaliate against an individual for exercising any right, including reporting a violation, or performing any obligation under this policy. Lack of intent to violate this policy or Ohio's Smoking Ban (O.R.C. Chapter 3794), shall not be a defense to a violation.

### C. Penalties

Faculty, staff, and students violating this policy are subject to disciplinary action. Violators may also be subject to prosecution for violation of Ohio's Smoking Ban (O.R.C. Chapter 3794). Visitors who violate this policy may be denied access to the College campus and may ultimately be subject to arrest for criminal trespass.

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