

Sierra College

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

AP 3570

Smoking, Use of Tobacco, Non-regulated Nicotine and Other Vapor Producing Products

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References: California Penal Code 626.4; Education Code Sections 76030, 87660 et seq., 88001 e) h), 88013, 88016; California Government Code Sections 7596, 7597, 7597.1, and 7598; Labor Code 6404.5; Health and Safety Code Section 104495; Title 8, Section 5148

Sierra Joint Community College District is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for its students, employees, and visitors. In light of evidence that the use of tobacco and exposure to secondhand-smoke pose significant health hazards, the District has established a smoke, vapor and tobacco-free environment. This includes but is not limited to: cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, hookahs, electronic devices that delivers nicotine or other vaporized liquids or substances to a person inhaling from the device (e.g., e-cigarettes and vaporizers). The use of such products is prohibited at all times in the following areas:

- On all grounds and in all buildings of the District
- In or on any space, building, or classroom exclusively owned, leased or controlled by the District
- In all vehicles owned or leased by the District
- In all vehicles on District property

This policy and these regulations apply to employees, students, visitors, and other persons who enter any District property as described above.

The District shall provide appropriate literature and referrals to tobacco cessation programs. Those who are interested in smoking cessation are encouraged to explore the free services offered by the California Smokers Helpline at 1-800-NOBUTTS and www.nobutts.org.

Signs prohibiting use shall be displayed prominently.

Such products will not be sold or distributed on District property.

Individuals who violate this policy will be subject to citation and fines as follows:

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| First Offense: | \$25 fine |
| Second Offense: | \$50 fine |
| Third Offense: | \$100 fine |
| Each additional offense thereafter: | \$100 fine |

Funds collected from citations will be used as prescribed in section 7597.1 of the California Government Code.

See Board Policy 3570.