

Purpose

The College District is committed to creating a safe and healthy learning and work place for students, employees, and community members. The procedures that follow support and implement Board policies DH, FLBD, and GDA in providing a tobacco- and smoke-free environment.

Definitions

For the purpose of this regulation, the following definitions shall apply. [See FLBD(LEGAL)]

Cigarette

"Cigarette" means a roll for smoking that is made of tobacco or tobacco mixed with another ingredient and wrapped or covered with a material other than tobacco and that is not a cigar. *Health and Safety Code 161.081(1); Tax Code 154.001*

E-cigarette

"E-cigarette" means an electronic cigarette or any other device that simulates smoking by using a mechanical heating element, battery, or electronic circuit to deliver nicotine or other substances to the individual inhaling from the device. The term does not include a prescription medical device unrelated to the cessation of smoking. The term includes:

1. A device described by this definition regardless of whether the device is manufactured, distributed, or sold as an e-cigarette, e-cigar, or e-pipe or under another product name or description; and
2. A component, part, or accessory for the device, regardless of whether the component, part, or accessory is sold separately from the device.

Health and Safety Code 161.081(1-a)

This definition shall include nicotine vaping and nicotine-free vaping.

Tobacco Product

"Tobacco product" means:

1. A cigar;
2. Smoking tobacco, including granulated, plug-cut, crimp-cut, ready-rubbed, and any form of tobacco suitable for smoking in a pipe or as a cigarette;
3. Chewing tobacco, including Cavendish, Twist, plug, scrap, and any kind of tobacco suitable for chewing;
4. Snuff or other preparations of pulverized tobacco; or
5. An article or product that is made of tobacco or a tobacco substitute and that is not a cigarette.

Health and Safety Code 161.081(5); Tax Code 155.001

STUDENT CONDUCT
TOBACCO USE

FLBD
(REGULATION)

**Tobacco and
E-cigarettes**

All students shall comply with the College District's tobacco and e-cigarette use policy. A student shall not use tobacco products or e-cigarettes on College District property, in College District vehicles, or at College District-related activities, unless authorized by the Chancellor or designee. [See FLB and FLBD]

Exceptions

While Board policy states that the Chancellor or designee may authorize the use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, or tobacco products, this regulation establishes that no area has been deemed a tobacco or smoke area. Specifically, the Chancellor or designee does not authorize and prohibits the use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes, or tobacco products on College grounds, without exceptions.

Violations

Students shall comply with policy FLB(LOCAL), FLBD(LOCAL), the Code of Student Conduct, and the provisions of this regulation in regard to tobacco and e-cigarette use. Violation of any policies or regulations may result in disciplinary action.

**Office of
Responsibility**

Student Services

Effective Date

This regulation shall be effective as of the adoption date, May 10, 2021.