



## Texas Christian University Policy

**Policy Title:** Tobacco-Free Campus

**Policy Subject:** Prohibition of smoking and tobacco products

**Division:** Student Affairs

**Policy Number:**

### **I. Applicability**

This policy applies to all students, employees, and guests and includes all programs and sporting events hosted on campus.

### **II. Policy Statement and Purpose**

As part of a student-led initiative, the Student Government Association with support from TCU's Faculty Senate, Staff Assembly, and Graduate Senate, and in conjunction with the University's ongoing commitment to health and wellness, prompted TCU to ban tobacco products on campus. TCU is committed to creating a culture of health and wellness and to linking individuals with resources to help break the nicotine/tobacco addiction.

### **III. Policy Definitions**

**Tobacco products** - Cigars, cigarettes, chewing tobacco, snuff, e-cigarettes/vapes, and hookhas are considered smoking and tobacco products.

### **IV. Policy**

TCU prohibits the use of all Tobacco products and smoking on property owned by TCU.

- A. The possession of all tobacco products and electronic delivery devices [e-cigs, vapes, JUULs, e-hookahs, vape pens, and electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS)], is prohibited in residence halls, regardless of the age of the owner.
- B. People wishing to use tobacco as part of an established religious ceremony, academic, or research activity may contact the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs to request an exemption for those activities.

**V. Enforcement**

Failure to comply with or violations of this policy are handled in accordance with applicable University policies and procedures; which may include disciplinary actions.

**VI. Administrative Responsibility**

The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for administering and interpreting this policy.

**VII. Policy History**

Issued: August 1, 2017

Reviewed: May 20, 2021

**VIII. Related Policies and Information**

[Benefits of Cessation](#)

**IX. Appendix**

There are no appendices.

**X. Approved By and Approval Date**

Approved by Chancellor's Cabinet, August 1, 2017