

## Student Handbook 2025-2026

## Policy Regarding Use and Possession of Tobacco Products and E-Cigarettes/Vapors

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor is dedicated to supporting the health and well-being of its students and employees and strongly encourages them to abstain from the use of cigarettes and other tobacco products, in accordance with the Surgeon General's health warnings. Therefore, students who smoke or use other tobacco products or electronic cigarettes (E-Cigarettes and Vapors) are strongly encouraged to seek education, support, and assistance in smoking/tobacco use cessation from healthcare providers and community resources (i.e. American Cancer Society).

**USE:** The use of cigarettes and other tobacco products, the use of electronic cigarettes (E-Cigarettes), and the use of vapors ('vaping') is strictly prohibited:

- inside or within 50 feet of any university-owned or controlled building or residences
- while operating or riding in university-owned or leased vehicles (including carts and mowers)
- in any other area designated by the university as tobacco or smoke-free
- by any person younger than age 21, as provided by Texas law.

Students are required to use appropriate receptacles (or to furnish their own, such as spittoon cups) when disposing of cigarettes and other tobacco products.

**POSSESSION:** The possession of cigarettes and other tobacco products, electronic cigarettes (E-Cigarettes), and smoking paraphernalia (including but not limited to pipes and vaping paraphernalia) paraphernalia) are strictly prohibited by any person younger than age 21.

When students are off-campus representing the university at meetings and other events and/or wearing apparel with the university logo in public venues, they must also abide by the venue's smoking/tobacco use rules.

Failure to adhere to this policy may result in disciplinary action, up to expulsion from the university.

## **Policy Regarding Solicitation on University Premises**

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor is private property and as such has the right to control access to university facilities and grounds. It is the policy of the university to restrict solicitation of services and/or products on university property. Solicitation should be reported immediately to the UMHB Police Department or other campus officials.

Students should not allow solicitors into a residence or other building on campus. Students who are approached by or observe a solicitor on campus should immediately contact the UMHB Police Department at (254) 295-5555.

All campus organizations/entities that solicit involvement and/or sales to members of the university community must have prior approval from the Dean of Student Leadership and Engagement. Any member of the university who distributes fliers, samples, or posts signs must have in his/her possession authorization from the Student Activities office while engaged in these activities. No form of solicitation that defaces university property or grounds will be permitted.