Proposed Smoke and Tobacco Free Campus Policy

Colorado College is committed to providing an environment for students, faculty, staff, contractors, and guests that is conducive to learning and working, and that promotes the health and wellbeing of all members of the community. While the use of tobacco is a personal choice, the health hazards related to smoking and exposure to second-hand smoke are well-documented. In the interests of reducing harm from tobacco use and second-hand smoke, providing an environment that encourages persons to be tobacco-free, reducing long-term health-care costs, and promoting a campus culture of wellness, Colorado College has established a smoke and tobacco-free policy.

Responsible office: Student Life
Responsible party: Vice president for student life/Dean of students; Senior vice president for finance and administration

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Scope
All financial and administrative policies involving community members across campus are within the scope of this policy. If there is variance between departmental expectations and the common approach described through college policy, the college will look to the campus community to support the spirit and the objectives of college policy.

Policy
For the purposes of this policy, smoking is defined as the use of smoke-producing tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, mini-cigars, bidis, hookah, pipes, kretex (also called clove cigarettes), as well as marijuana cigarettes, and bongs. Tobacco use is defined as the use of any tobacco product including any lighted tobacco product, or the use of any type of smokeless tobacco including electronic cigarettes and chewing tobacco, such as spit tobacco, snus and other smokeless products. E-Cigarette use or Vaping is defined by the use of electronic smoking devices or electronic nicotine delivery systems. FDA-approved cessation aids, such as nicotine patches and gum, are not included in this category.

The use of any such products by students, faculty, staff, guests, and contractors is prohibited on all properties owned or leased by campus, including (but not limited to):

- All interior spaces on campus and property leased by the college, including classrooms, auditoriums, athletic facilities, work areas, private offices, conference and meeting rooms, lounges and cafeterias, hallways, medical facilities, restrooms, elevators, stairs and stairwells, residence halls and student rooms, including:
  - The Cabin
  - The Baca Campus
o All vehicles leased or owned by the college
• All outside property or grounds on campus, including outdoor athletic facilities, and areas such as walkways, breezeways, parking lots, and patios.

Preserving the integrity of this policy
The success of the policy depends upon the thoughtfulness, consideration, and cooperation of everyone. Compliance with this policy is grounded in informing and educating members of the college community and visitors about the policy and encouraging those who use tobacco products to seek treatment for tobacco dependence. If an infraction occurs: students will be referred to the appropriate student conduct office as non-compliance with this policy is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct; faculty, staff and contractors failing to abide by the expectations of this policy will be referred to their immediate supervisors or managers for appropriate action; guests will be required to leave campus if they refuse to comply with the expectations of this policy once advised.
Colorado College recognizes that quitting smoking can be a significant personal challenge. In an ongoing effort to enhance awareness and foster compliance, promotional materials and cessation resources are available.

There are certain permissible exceptions to this policy:
  1. The use of tobacco products in laboratory and classroom instruction/experiments. All research and educational purposes that involve the use of tobacco on campus must be approved in advance by the Dean of the College or designee. Such use must be preceded by reasonable advance notice to the public.
  2. The use of smoke or tobacco in connection with the practice of cultural, spiritual, or religious ceremony. All ceremonial use exceptions must be approved in advance by the Chaplain's Office; in the case of use within residential facilities students should follow Residential Life processes which partner with the Chaplain's Office.

Current Smoking Policy
Colorado College is committed to providing an environment for students, faculty, staff, contractors, and guests that is conducive to learning, healthy, and comfortable. Therefore, the college will maintain balance between affording non-smokers with protection from involuntary exposure to environmental smoking and expectations that may be perceived as attempts to manage the conduct and the choice of smokers. Given that philosophy and the college’s compliance with the Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act, the college prohibits smoking in all college-owned, -leased or -operated buildings, and building entrances. For the purposes of this policy, references to smoking include the use of marijuana and all tobacco products (including but not limited to cigarettes, bidis, or kretteks, also called clove cigarettes). Although the Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act does not address smokeless tobacco, the college encourages all members of its community to consider the potential health risks of using such products.

Responsible office  Student Life
Responsible party  Vice president for student life/Dean of students; Vice president for finance and administration
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Smoking Policy

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Scope

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Policy

Authorities delegated and retained/administrative responsibility

The president of the college delegates administration of the college’s smoke-free environment policy to the dean for student life and the vice president for finance and administration.

Limiting exposure to tobacco smoke

Smoking is prohibited in entryways and all enclosed areas:

- Classrooms, auditoriums, work areas, private offices, conference and meeting rooms, lounges and cafeterias, hallways, medical facilities, restrooms, elevators, stairs and stairwells
- Vehicles owned, leased or provided by the college

Smoking products of all types is prohibited in the following outdoor areas:

- The seating and parking areas of outdoor sports centers or fields and other venues where members of the general public assemble to witness entertainment events
- The Cabin
- The Baca

Preserving the integrity of this policy

Members of our campus community, as well as our guests, are expected to observe the provisions of this policy; organizers of events held on campus must advise participants of the college’s policy while community member are encouraged to report concerns to Campus Safety.

Campus Safety ensures that persons smoking on campus are advised or reminded of the college’s smoking policy.

If an infraction occurs: students will be referred to the appropriate student conduct office as non-compliance with this policy is a violation of the Student Code of Conduct; faculty, staff and contractors failing to abide by the expectations of this policy will be referred to their immediate supervisors or managers for appropriate action; guests will be required to leave campus if they refuse to comply with the expectations of this policy once advised.
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**Procedures**
None

**Definitions**

**Indoor areas:**
the Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act defines but does not limit indoor areas to the following:

- Public places and buildings such as elevators, restrooms, theaters, museums, libraries, schools, educational institutions, retirement facilities, and nursing homes
- Lobbies, reception areas, hallways, and any other common-use areas
- Any place of employment not exempted
- Restaurants, bars, limited gaming facilities, billiard or pool halls, bowling alleys, grocery stores, and any food-service establishment
- Indoor sports arena, gymnasiums, and auditoriums
- Health-care facilities, hospitals, health-care clinics, doctor’s offices, and child day-care facilities
- No less than 75 percent of hotel or motel sleeping quarters rented to guests
- Jury waiting and deliberation rooms, courtrooms, and public meetings
- Government-owned mass transportation of any kind

**Entryway:**
The outside of the front or main doorway leading into a building. Entryways also include the area of a public or private property within a specified radius outside the doorway. The specified radius shall be determined by the local authority or, if the local authority has not acted, the specified radius shall be 15 feet.