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Administrative Procedure

Chapter 3 – General Institution

AP 3560 – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR INSTRUCTIONAL PURPOSES

In accordance with Board of Trustees Policy, BP 3560, *Alcoholic Beverages*, and Business and Professions Code Section 25608, the District may approve the acquisition, possession, use, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the college campus for instructional purposes as outlined in the educational curriculum. Alcoholic beverages for non-instructional purposes are prohibited on all district facilities, including but not limited to the college campuses, unless otherwise outlined in Administrative Procedure, AP 3561, *Alcoholic Beverages for Non-Instructional Purposes*.

1. General Guidelines:

- a. Unless otherwise outlined herein or in Administrative Procedure, AP 3561, *Alcoholic Beverages for Non-Instructional Purposes*, the possession, sale, and furnishing of alcohol on campus is prohibited and is governed by California state law and these procedures.
- b. The possession, sale, consumption, or furnishing of alcohol is controlled by the California Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control. College Police are primarily responsible for the enforcement of alcohol laws on campus. All District campuses have been designated "drug-free," and only under certain circumstances, for instructional purposes, is the consumption of alcohol permitted.
- c. The possession, sale, manufacture, and distribution of any controlled substance is illegal under both state and federal laws. Such laws are strictly enforced by the College Police. Violators are subject to disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine, and imprisonment.
- d. It is unlawful to sell, furnish, or provide alcohol to a person under the age of 21. The possession of alcohol by anyone under 21 years of age in a public place or a place open to the public is illegal.
- e. Under this procedure, it is a violation for anyone to consume or possess alcohol on any District property, including any public or private area of any campus, outside of instructional use as outlined herein. Organizations or groups violating alcohol or substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the District in addition to any legal or criminal proceeding. See Administrative Procedure, AP 3561, *Alcoholic Beverages for Non-Instructional Purposes*.

2. Alcoholic Beverages for Instructional Purposes

Alcoholic beverages are permitted for instructional purposes if all of the following requirements are satisfied:

a. The alcoholic beverage is used in connection with a course of instruction, sponsored

dinner, or meal demonstration given as part of an approved instructional program or event; and

- The instructor or individual providing the alcoholic beverage has been authorized to acquire, possess, use, sell, or consume it by the Chancellor, College President, or designee; and
- c. A student, at least 18 years of age tastes, but does not swallow or consume, an alcoholic beverage for educational purposes; and
- d. The curriculum provides alternative options for students who do not wish to use alcohol; and
- e. Alcohol is not included as a mandatory supply item (i.e. provided by the student) for any class; and
- f. Alcoholic beverages used for educational purposes remain in the control of the instructor and are stored and served in a manner appropriate to the curriculum.

Reference:Business and Professions Code Sections 24045.4, 24045.6, 25608,25658, and
25668;
34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 668.46 subdivision (b)

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