

POLICY NUMBER: AF-1101
POLICY AND PROCEDURES MEMORANDUM

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# **Tobacco-Free Campus**

### **Policy**

In accordance with Act 211 of the 2013 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, South Louisiana Community College seeks to provide a safe, healthy, pleasant environment for its faculty, staff, students, and visitors. To this end, the use of tobacco products, including smoke and smokeless tobacco, and the advertising, sale, free distribution, and discarding of tobacco products shall be prohibited in all indoor and outdoor facilities and in all state-owned vehicles.

The policy extends to faculty, staff, students, vendors, guests, and visitors. Communication will be provided to prospective and enrolling students and new employees along with signage and other communication sources. Faculty, staff, and students who are found to be non-compliant with this policy will be handled in the same manner as any other policy or code of conduct violation and are subject to disciplinary process. Courtesy and consideration will be exercised when informing violators of this policy. Visitors repeating non-compliance will be referred to security and asked to leave the campus.

- "Tobacco" includes all products containing tobacco, including and not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless tobacco, and oral and nasal tobacco products (e.g., chewing tobacco, snuff).
- "Use of tobacco products" shall include:
  - Possession of a lighted tobacco or other burning of any other combustible material
  - Use of smokeless/electronic tobacco or other materials
- "Indoor and outdoor facilities and state-owned vehicles" shall include:
  - All buildings and facilities owned or leased by South Louisiana Community College
  - All outdoor areas owned or leased by South Louisiana Community College, including the grounds of all campuses
  - o All state-owned or leased vehicles
- Exceptions:
  - Policy does not apply to public sidewalks that border the campus.
    - o Smokers are requested to maintain 25 feet from crosswalks.
  - o Use of smokeless/electronic style products outdoors is permitted.

Smoking in personally owned vehicles parked or driven on the campus is permitted.

#### Reference:

Louisiana Revised Statues 40:1300.251 to 40:1300.263 Louisiana Revised Statues 30:2522(4) and 30:2531(A) (3)

## Policy Reference:

Louisiana Community & Technical College System Policy 6.024

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