

Tobacco Use (Smoke-free, not Tobacco Free)

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This Policy applies to all NCCC students, employees, Board of Trustees, and visitors with respect to use of Tobacco and Smoke Products.

“Tobacco and Smoke Products” include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, snuff, electronic or “E” cigarettes, nicotine or chemical vaporizing devices and other forms of chewing or smoking devices as defined by state and federal law.

The College supports a tobacco- and smoke-free learning and working environment. Tobacco use, including the use of e-cigarettes, is prohibited within any college vehicle or building, owned, leased, or rented by the college, including all distant campuses, sites, or locations. Use of Smoke Products is prohibited in any College building or property except in the outdoor designated areas.

Although not encouraged, use of Tobacco and Smoke Products is permitted in the individual’s vehicle. However, cigarette butts, smokeless tobacco, nicotine cartridges and/or any other types of Tobacco and Smoke Product waste must be disposed of inside the vehicle. Any individual who chooses to use Tobacco and Smoke Products in their vehicle must be parked at least one row away from buildings and sidewalks.

Any violation of this Policy may be handled by the appropriate student or employee handbook. The president is charged with developing any additional policies or procedures to carry out this policy. This policy will take effect July 1, 2017.