


PROCEDURE

Subject	Tobacco Free Campus	Number: 1.25.02
Source	Human Resources	Reference (Rule #) 6HX14-1.25
President's Approval/Date:	 12/21/2017	

I. PURPOSE:

The State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota (“SCF”) has a longstanding commitment to the health and well-being of our students, employees and visitors. SCF does not support the position that the use of tobacco is a protected right and prohibits the use of all tobacco products. Tobacco dependence has been well documented as our nation’s most preventable cause of death and disease, including heart disease, emphysema, and cancer. In recognition of the harmful effects of second-hand smoke, SCF asserts itself as a community leader to assure clean air and a healthy environment for all students, employees, and visitors.

II. PROCEDURE:

SCF prohibits the use of all tobacco products on all campuses, including in vehicles on campus, at all institution-sponsored off-campus events, and in all college-owned or leased vehicles.

For purposes of this policy, “tobacco use” means the personal use of any tobacco product, whether smoked or smokeless, which shall include but not be limited to cigarettes, cigars, and pipe tobacco; chewing tobacco, snuff, smokeless pouches, any other form of loose-leaf tobacco, and electronic cigarettes.

Organizers and attendees at public events, such as conferences, meetings, public lectures, social and cultural events, and athletic events and housing using SCF facilities are required to abide by the Tobacco-Free Campus Policy. Organizers of such events are responsible for communicating this policy to attendees and for enforcing this policy. The policy applies to students, employees and visitors, including contractors and any and all non-college parties that rent or use the SCF facilities.

Violations of the policy will be addressed through existing procedures already in place for students and employees. Student violators will be referred to the Dean of Students for possible disciplinary action through its normal judiciary process, and College employees will be referred to their supervisor. Continued employee violations shall be reported to Human Resources and managed through the normal disciplinary process.