

**Procedure Title:** Prohibited Use of Tobacco Products or Inhalant Delivery Systems  
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**Purpose/Principle/Definitions:**

Provide a smoke-free and tobacco free environment while reasonably accommodating those who do smoke, use smokeless tobacco, or inhalant delivery systems.

In accordance with ORS 167.400, as of January 1, 2018, possession of tobacco products and inhalant delivery systems by persons under the age of 21 is prohibited on all BMCC grounds and property. This includes, but is not limited to: in facility buildings, at facility-sponsored activities, in vehicles on facility grounds on the main campus and at all centers, including satellite properties.

This policy applies to all BMCC employees, volunteers, clients, students, visitors, vendors and contractors.

Exceptions to this policy are made for a person for whom a tobacco or nicotine product or a substance to be used with an inhalant delivery system has been lawfully prescribed.

Employees are expected to adhere to this administrative procedure as a condition of employment. Disciplinary protocols and/or sanctions are in accordance with established bargaining unit contracts or employment handbook under the purview of the President or her/his designee.

Students are expected to adhere to this administrative procedure as a condition of enrollment. Students who violate the terms of this policy shall be subject to disciplinary protocols and/or sanctions are in accordance with student code of conduct as published in Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct under the purview of the Vice President of Student Affairs or her/his designee.

**Guidelines**

This procedure relies on the consideration and cooperation of smokers and nonsmokers. It is the responsibility of all College employees to observe and follow the guidelines.

The college recognizes that the use of tobacco products or inhalant delivery systems may create a health hazard for nonusers as well as users. In order to protect the health of students, staff and the general public, provide a healthy working environment and promote good health for staff and students, the use of tobacco products or inhalant delivery systems shall be prohibited in all enclosed facilities owned by, leased by, and/or under the control of the Blue Mountain Community College District and in College-owned vehicles.

Tobacco is permitted in outdoor areas (unless posted otherwise), except in eating areas and during organized events. Outdoor smoking areas are located 20 feet away from doorways, windows, and ventilation systems to prevent smoke from entering buildings and facilities. All cigarette butts shall be disposed of in appropriate receptacles that shall be located in designated smoking areas.

Blue Mountain Community College, as a recipient of federal funds, prohibits the possession or use of a controlled substance.

### **Implementation**

Signage stating “no possession of tobacco products or inhalant delivery systems by person under 21 years of age” will be posted in all facilities. This signage will include the following regarding cessation:

Oregon Quit Line: [quitnow.net/Oregon](http://quitnow.net/Oregon) 1-800-QUIT-NOW;  
Spanish: [quitnow.net/oregonsp](http://quitnow.net/oregonsp), 1-800-DEJELO-YA

Electronic communication of the procedure will be sent to all employees and students each term.

### **Definitions**

A “tobacco product” is defined to include, but not limited to, any lighted or unlit Cigarette, cigar, pipe, bidi, clove cigarette, and any other smoking tobacco; and smokeless or spit tobacco, also known as dip, chew, snuff or snus, or any other forms of tobacco products. This does not include products that are USFDA approved for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

An “inhalant delivery system” means a device that can be used to deliver nicotine or cannabinoids in the form of a vapor or aerosol to a person inhaling from a device; or a component of a device or a substance in any form sold for the purpose of being vaporized or aerosolized by a device, whether the component or substance is sold or not sold separately. This does not include products USFDA-approved for sale as a tobacco cessation product or for any other therapeutic purpose, if marketed and sold solely for the approved purpose.

A “facility” includes a public or private school, college, community college, university, career school, technical education school, your correction facility or juvenile detention facility.

### Legal References:

ORS 341.290(2)  
ORS 431.840  
ORS 433.835 to -433.990  
ORS 167.400