

General Institution

AP 3550 DRUG AND ALCOHOL-FREE ENVIRONMENT AND DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM (DAAPP)**References:**

Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendment of 1989 (20 U.S. Code Section 1145g);
41 U.S. Code Section 702;
34 Code of Federal Regulations Sections 86.1 et seq.;
Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988

The District is committed to providing its employees and students with a drug and alcohol-free workplace and campus environment. It emphasizes prevention and intervention through education.

- Employees will be referred to programs and services by the Human Resources Department.
- Students will be referred to programs and services by Student Health Services and/or Counseling.

Alcohol is a central nervous system depressant. Aside from the health risks of alcohol, drugs (legal or illegal) carry their own risks.

- Since everyone's brain and body chemistry is different and tolerance for drugs is different, it cannot be predicted how any individual may be affected, especially if it is a first-time use, and even if it is a small amount or dose.
- Using drugs or alcohol can lead to abuse, addiction, serious health problems and even death.
- Drugs that are legal - prescription and over-the-counter (OTC) medications, can be just as dangerous as illegal drugs.

The District maintains a website where more information on the health risks associated with alcohol, drugs and/or the mixing of alcohol and drugs, college resources and referral for those affected by alcohol or substance abuse may be found. The page may be found by searching DAAPP on the College's website.

The District provides educational activities and opportunities to learn more about the risks associated with drug and alcohol abuse. For more information, please contact Student Health Services or Student Activities and Advocacy.

The District provides a Med-Project kiosk and individuals may dispose of unused or expired prescription medication at the Kentfield Campus Police Department. Only scheduled II-V controlled and non-controlled substances that are lawfully possessed by the ultimate user are acceptable to be placed in the kiosk.

Prohibition of Drugs and Alcohol

State and federal law prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of alcohol or any controlled substance on District property, during District-sponsored field trips, activities or workshops, and in any facility or vehicle operated by the District. Passage of Proposition 64 in November 2016, legalizing the use of recreational marijuana among people over the age of 21, does not permit any person to possess or use recreational marijuana on a community college campus or while in operation of any District owned equipment, including vehicles. Using and possessing marijuana is still illegal under federal law. The federal Drug Free Schools and Communities Act and Drug Free Workplace Act require that the District, which receives federal funding, have policies and procedures that prohibit marijuana use, possession and distribution on campus and in the workplace.

Violation of this prohibition will result in appropriate action up to and including termination of employment, expulsion, and referral for prosecution, or, as permitted by law, may require satisfactory participation in an alcohol or drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program.

As a condition of employment, employees must notify the District within five calendar days of any conviction for violating a criminal drug statute while in the workplace. The District is required to inform any agencies that require this drug free policy within ten days after receiving notice of a workplace drug conviction.

Distribution of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program (DAAPP) Materials

All current students and employees shall receive information annually on College of Marin's DAAPP via the following methods, and others as warranted.

1. A web page has been created under Consumer Information on the College's website to establish relevant information and links.
2. A DAAPP oversight team will meet regularly to ensure progress on program objectives, including timely distribution of materials to students and employees.
3. Information dissemination by means of the content on the DAAPP link will be distributed in the following ways:
 - Provided to new employees
 - Semester by semester consumer information e-mail to students;
 - Enhanced content incorporated into new student orientation;
 - Revised admission letter sent to new and returning students;
 - Information/link via college catalog and semester class schedules;
 - Annual notice to students and employees on October 1, per college master calendar.

Offices of Primary Responsibility: Human Resources, Student Activities and Advocacy, Campus Police and Administrative Services

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