

VII Drug Free Policy-EACC

EACC Student Handbook

The East Arkansas Community college institutional Drug Free Policy (updated April 1, 1994) is as follows:

Illicit drug and alcohol and their use and their use in the school or at the workplace are subjects of immediate concern in society. From a safety perspective, the users of drugs may impair the well-being of students, employees, and the public at large. Such substance use may also result in damage to College property. Therefore, to comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989(P.L.101-226) the Drug Free Workforce Act of 1988, and the State of Arkansas *EO-89-2, it is the policy of East Arkansas Community College the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance at its facilities is prohibited. Any student found in violation of this policy will be subject to discipline up to and including termination- expulsion. This College is committed to the maintenance of a drug/alcohol free workplace. The standard code of conduct for employees and students prohibits illegal drug/alcohol involvement on its property or as part of any of its sponsored activities.

B. Implementation

All students of East Arkansas Community College will be provided a copy of this policy as a part of their registration. This policy will be posted on the campus Intranet and published in the Student handbook to be utilized for employee and student information. Revisions /review of this policy and the drug prevention program will be made biennially or as required to determine its effectiveness and ensure that sanctions are consistently enforced. The Coordinator of Student Activities is charged with this action.

C. Specifics

1. Health-Risks —Different drugs have a variety of distant, negative effects on the human body. These are broken down into the following major areas:

Physical:

- Suppression or acceleration of the heart rate.

- Suppression or acceleration of breathing.

- Fainting/Unconsciousness

- Impaired vision

- Drug dependency passed to an unborn child. Decreased

oxygen circulation in the blood

Psychological:

Depressed State of mind

Impaired judgment and
decision making

Memory lapses

Distortion of time, space, and
perception

Severe anxiety, panic and
paranoia

These are but a few. The ultimate negative effect is DEATH Drug overdoses, depression, suicide, automobile accidents and a host of other drug related deaths are in the thousands annually.

2. Public intoxication: A person commits the offense of "Public Intoxication" if (1) he/she appears in a public place manifestly under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance to the degree that he/she is likely to endanger themselves or other persons or property, or that he/she unreasonably annoys persons in his/her vicinity or (2) he /she consumes an alcoholic beverage in a public place.

3. Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor: A person who commits the offense "Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor" if, being an adult, he/she knowingly purchases or provides an alcoholic beverage for a minor.

4. Driving while intoxicated: A person who drives a motorized vehicle while influenced or affected by the ingestion of alcohol, a controlled substance, or any intoxicant commits the offense of driving while intoxicated.

5. Possession, manufacture or Delivery of Controlled Substance: It is unlawful for any person to manufacture, deliver, or possess a controlled substance.

6. Legal Penalties and Sanctions: Local, State and Federal laws provide for a variety of penalties and sanctions that are based on the type and number of drugs involved. Prior convictions are also considered. Local statute provides for a minimum of six (6) hours jail detention for the offense of DUI/DWI, even for passengers in the automobile. The range of penalties/sanctions is drastic in nature and inevitably result in prison, fines up to \$250,000.00 and even forfeiture of personal and real property.

East Arkansas Community College
Practical Nursing
Program

SUBSTANCE/DRUG ABUSE COMPLIANCE CONTRACT

I have read and agree to adhere to the Substance/ Drug abuse policy of East Arkansas Community College Practical Nursing Program.

In addition to the EACC policy, I know that if I am found to be under the influence of illegal drugs in abuse amounts, and the clinical agencies will not allow me to come, I will be terminated from the PN program. This will occur if I am arrested for any kind of drug charge on or off campus.

I understand that I could be asked to submit to a drug or alcohol screen if I exhibit behavior indicative of drug or alcohol use or have been arrested for such. Two persons must agree that the behavior is suspicious or have seen the arrest notice which is public record. This screen would be paid for by the student. Refusal to submit to the screen would result in termination.

Admission drug testing or Nursing students that test positive for marijuana will not be eligible for admission or will be terminated from the nursing program. This includes students with written certification for use of medical marijuana. According to Act 593 (Medical Marijuana), there are "Safety Sensitive Positions". Nursing students are included in the "Safety Sensitive Positions".

See Act 593 <http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/assembly/2017/2017R/Acts/Act593.pdf> for more information

Student Signature

Date

Alcohol, Drug and Smoking Policy

Students who possess, sell, or are under the influence of alcoholic beverages, controlled substances (illegal drugs), marijuana, or other materials expressly prohibited by federal, state, or local laws on school property or at school functions will be immediately dismissed from the

program. This includes to and from school in school vehicles, on field trips, or student organization trips in/out of town or graduation exercises.

No smoking will be allowed in restrooms, hallways, classrooms, shops, or school buses. People who wish to smoke are to smoke off campus. No smoking is allowed on clinical grounds at ANY facility. Signs indicating no smoking in individual offices or meeting rooms should be respected.