1.0 PURPOSE

Shawnee State University is committed to assuring a healthy and safe environment for students, faculty and staff, and visitors where the presence of alcohol does not interfere with the learning experience or the peaceful environment of the campus and community. The purpose of this policy is to establish parameters for the purchase, possession, distribution, and consumption of alcohol on campus.

2.0 STUDENT EVENTS (UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED ON AND OFF CAMPUS)

Student purchase, possession, distribution, or consumption of alcoholic beverages in University buildings, on campus grounds (owned or managed), in University provided vehicles, at University-sponsored on-campus events, or at University-sponsored off-campus events is prohibited without prior authorization.

3.0 ON-CAMPUS EVENTS AND CONFERENCES

The prior-approved purchase and consumption of alcoholic beverages on University property for events and conferences must be in accordance with the exclusive food services agreement and alcohol operating license held and maintained by the University’s food services vendor.

4.0 INSURANCE

If the event in which alcohol is to be purchased and/or consumed is sponsored by a non-University group or individual, proof of an appropriate level of liability insurance may be required. This determination will be made by the Director of Event and Conference Services.

5.0 RESIDENCE HALLS

5.1 The sale of alcoholic beverages in residence halls (owned or managed by the University) is prohibited.
5.2 The possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages for legal-aged (age 21 or older) residents is permitted in residence halls contingent upon compliance with established residential hall rules, University policy and procedures, and subject to full compliance with state and local laws.

6.0 PERSONAL BEHAVIOR

Patrons, including students, attending events in which alcoholic beverages are served will be held responsible for their personal behavior, as well as the behavior of guests. Behavior that is judged to be irresponsible or inconsiderate by University officials or Department of Public Safety while possessing or consuming any alcoholic beverage may be treated as an abuse of this Policy.

7.0 GENERAL PROHIBITION

7.1 The use or sale of alcohol by any person (students, employees and visitors) on campus property (managed or owned by the University) or at University-sponsored off campus activities is prohibited in instances that are inconsistent with state or local laws and restrictions and as established by this policy.

7.2 Violations of University policy or engagement of illegal actions will result in the involved individual(s) being subject to sanctions and/or enforcement results as referenced and incorporated by University policy and/or applicable laws.

8.0 PROCEDURES

The President will ensure the establishment of procedures necessary to effectively implement this policy.

Ref: Residence Hall Guidelines;

Ref: Student Code of Conduct;

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