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Alcohol and Other Drugs in the Residence Halls

It is the intent of the District to encourage responsible behavior. The use of alcoholic beverages in District residence halls will be in accordance with the following procedures. Violations shall constitute misconduct which subjects the offenders to sanctions as described in *Procedure* 5075.2: Student Code of Conduct.

- A. The unlawful possession, use or distribution of alcohol and illegal drugs in Residence Halls is prohibited. While the District permits the lawful use of alcohol by students and guests on campus in accordance with *Procedure 3015.1: Alcoholic Beverages in District Facilities*, any abuse of this privilege will be subject to District disciplinary action and/or appropriate criminal sanctions.
 - 1) State and local laws prohibits the possession and use of alcoholic beverages by any person who is under 21 years of age. Such unlawful conduct is hereby prohibited.
 - 2) Residence halls at Gillette College are alcohol-free.
 - 3) Residence halls at Sheridan College allow for students who are 21 years of age or older and who are residing in residence halls may possess and consume alcoholic beverages only within the assigned living quarters of the resident in conformity with state and local laws and District regulations governing personal conduct.
 - a) Residence hall lobbies, hallways, porches, living rooms, and kitchens shall be considered public areas in which open alcoholic beverage containers are strictly prohibited.
 - b) Selling, either directly or indirectly (such as through donations or solicitations), of alcoholic beverages in the aforementioned living units is prohibited. This restriction shall include the exchange for alcoholic beverages of tickets used for the purpose of such exchange; or any other means by which alcoholic beverages are provided for a consideration of cash or otherwise.
 - c) Individual residents are charged with full responsibility for the conduct of their guests and must take actions to ensure that the relevant law and District procedures are observed by guests. Host responsibilities include:
 - i) Assuming responsibility to make certain that minors are not served or allowed to consume alcoholic beverages in the room of the host;
 - ii) Realizing that by providing alcoholic beverages he or she is responsible, and perhaps liable, for the safety and well-being of the guests; and
 - iii) Making certain that noise levels comply with published quiet hour standards.
 - d) Public advertisements relative to functions or parties in individual's rooms where alcoholic beverages are to be consumed are not permitted. Refer to *Procedure* 5060.5: Posting.

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- e) Public drunkenness is considered inappropriate and disruptive and violators will be subject to legal and/or disciplinary action. Students under 21 who display such behavior may be charged with possession by consumption.
- f) Persons within living units shall promptly provide identification and proof of age upon request by any member of the residence hall staff, campus police or other District officer who identifies himself/herself
- g) Kegs of beer or multiple cases of beer or other large quantities of alcoholic beverages, e.g., "Garbage Can Punch," are not permitted on campus at any time.
- h) Residents who choose not to drink should not be encouraged or goaded into drinking by others. This would be construed as hazing.
- i) Drinking contests and games, or drinking to excess under any circumstances will not be tolerated.
- B. Drugs: The campuses of NWCCD are drug-free (*Procedure 3019: Drug-free Campus*). There are several Wyoming State and Federal laws prohibiting the use and/or sale of controlled substances (drugs such as marijuana, heroin, cocaine, PCP, LSD, methamphetamine and fentanyl). Misuse and sale of prescription medications is also prohibited. Prescriptions are meant to be used only by the person for whom the prescription is written and/or as prescribed.
- C. Smoking and Vaping: The campuses of NWCCD are smoke-free (*Procedure 3018: Smoke-free Campus*). The residence halls are both smoke-free and vape-free.

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