b. **Smoking and Tobacco Use**  

The Shasta-Tehama-Trinity Joint Community College District has a responsibility to its employees and students to provide a safe and healthful environment. Research findings show that smoking and the breathing of secondhand smoke, as well as the use of smokeless (chew) tobacco and exposure to tobacco spit in any District owned or leased property constitute a significant health hazard. To enable Shasta College to fulfill its responsibility it is essential to restrict employee and student exposure to the toxic substances produced by use of tobacco products, including all smoked and/or chewed tobacco products.

**Restrictions:**

1. No use of tobacco products is permitted within any college owned and/or leased facility.
2. No use of tobacco products is permitted on the grounds of any college-operated athletic field or facility.
3. No use of tobacco products is permitted in college-owned vehicles.
4. The sale of tobacco products on all college-owned and/or leased property is prohibited.
5. Use of tobacco products on college-owned or leased property is permitted only in special designated areas which are set aside for smoking purposes and are removed from all buildings and major pathways.

In addition to instituting the above policy, the College District, on an ongoing basis, makes available to employees and students information about the health effects of tobacco products and about tobacco product cessation programs – primarily through the Wellness/Health Services Office, as well as related course content.

Effective implementation of the Shasta College Smoking and Tobacco Use Policy depends upon the courtesy, sensitivity, and cooperation of all members of the campus community. Students, faculty and staff, as well as visitors are expected to comply with the provisions of the policy. The policy is made known to members of the college community and visitors through the College Catalog, Class Schedule, posted signs, facility use contracts, orientations and notices in college publications. This policy shall remain in effect 24 hours a day, year-round.

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