

# DRUG FREE CAMPUS GUIDELINES

In compliance the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA), the school has set forth in this guide the legal penalties under Federal law for the illegal possession or distribution of drugs and alcohol, as well as the range of school sanctions that can be imposed for violation of the school's policies regarding substance abuse. Each state has its own guidelines. Both student and employees should read this carefully.

#### **Policy**

The United States' Department of Education has issued regulations for the implementation of the provisions of the "Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of I989" (Public law 1014226). The school will distribute annually to reach student and employee information regarding the unlawful possession, use, or distributions of illicit drugs and alcohol by student and "employees" on school property.

The school is committed to a campus free of illegal drug use, misuse and abuse of prescription drugs, underage drinking and alcohol abuse. The `school has no tolerance for illegal activity or any other harmful conduct influenced by drugs of alcohol. Unlawful possession as well as the distribution of illegal drugs or alcohol is prohibited on school property or as part of its activities. The school will cooperate fully with law enforcement agencies and will apply appropriate internal disciplinary process should a student or an employee violate criminal statutes with regard to illegal drugs or possession or sale of alcohol.

The following shows the Federal penalties:

FEDERAL TRAFFICKING PENALTIES



DRUG/SCHEDULE	QUANTITY	PENALTIES	QUANTITY	PENALTIES
Cocaine (Schedule II)	500 - 4999 gms mixture	First Offense: Not less than 5 yrs, and not more than 40 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 or more than life. Fine of not more than \$2 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual Second Offense: Not less than 10 yrs, and not more than life. If death or serious injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$4 million if an individual, \$10 million if not an individual	5 kgs or more mixture	and not more than life. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 or more than life. Fine of not more than \$4 million if an individual, \$10 million if not an individual. Second Offense: Not less than 20 yrs, and not more than life. If death or serious injury, life imprisonment. Fine of not more than \$8
Cocaine Base (Schedule II)	5-49 gms mixture		50 gms or more mixture	
Fentanyl (Schedule II)	40 - 399 gms mixture		400 gms or more mixture	
Fentanyl Analogue (Schedule I)	10 - 99 gms mixture		100 gms or more mixture	
Heroin (Schedule I)	100 - 999 gms mixture		1 kg or more mixture	
LSD (Schedule I)	1 - 9 gms mixture		10 gms or more mixture	
Methamphetamine (Schedule II)	5 - 49 gms pure or 50 - 499 gms mixture		50 gms or more pure or 500 gms or more mixture	
PCP (Schedule II)	10 - 99 gms pure or 100 - 999 gms mixture		100 gm or more pure or 1 kg or more mixture	

# **PENALTIES**

Other Schedule I & II drugs (and any drug product containing Gamma Hydroxybutyric Acid)	Any amount	First Offense: Not more that 20 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than 20 yrs, or more than Life. Fine \$1 million if an individual, \$5 million if not an individual. Second Offense: Not more than 30 yrs. If death or serious injury, not less than life. Fine \$2 million if an individual, \$10 million if not an individual	
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV)	1 gm or more		
Other Schedule III drugs	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 5 years. Fine not more than \$250,000 if an individual, \$1 million if not an individual. Second Offense: Not more 10 yrs. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if not an individual	
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV)	30 to 999 mgs		
All other Schedule IV drugs	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 3 years. Fine not more than \$250,000 if an individual, \$1 million if not an individual. Second Offense: Not more than 6 yrs. Fine not more than \$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if no an individual.	
Flunitrazepam (Schedule IV)	Less than 30 mgs		
All Schedule V drugs	Any amount	First Offense: Not more than 1 yr. Fine not more than \$100,000 if an individual, \$250,000 if not an individual.	



		<b>Second Offense</b> : Not more than 2 yrs. Fine not more than \$200,000 if an individual, \$500,000 if not an individual.			
DRUG	QUANTITY		1st OFFENSE	2nd OFFENSE	
Marijuana	1,000 kg or more mixture; 1,000 or more plants	or more serious inj years, not not more	ss than 10 years, not than life • If death or ury, not less than 20 more than life • Fine than \$4 million if an I, \$10 million if other than an individual	Not less than 20 years, not more than life If death or serious injury, mandatory life Fine not more than \$8 million if an individual, \$20 million if other than an individual	
Marijuana	100 kg to 999 kg mixture; or 100 to 999 plants	• If death less thar than life • Fi million if an	ess than 5 years, not more than 40 years or serious injury, not n 20 years, not more ne not more than \$2 individual, \$5 million er than an individual	Not less than 10 years, not more than life  If death or serious injury, mandatory life • Fine not more than \$4 million if an individual, \$10 million if other than an individual	
Marijuana	more than 10 kgs hashish; 5 to 99 kg mixtur more than 1 kg of hashish oil; 50 to 99 plants	o death or se than 20 year Fine \$1 m \$5 m	ore than 20 years • If prious injury, not less rs, not more than life illion if an individual, illion if other than an individual	<ul> <li>Not more than 30 years • If death or serious injury, mandatory life • Fine \$2 million if an individual, \$10 million if other than individual</li> </ul>	
Marijuana	1 to 49 plants; less than 50 kg mixture	g not mor	e than 5 years • Fine re than \$250,000, \$1 other than individual	<ul> <li>Not more than 10 years</li> <li>\$500,000 if an individual, \$2 million if other than individual</li> </ul>	
Hashish 10 kg or less Hashish Oil 1 kg or less					

# **Health Risks**

The following briefly summarizes health risks and symptoms associated with the use of alcohol and other drugs. It is important to note that individuals experience alcohol and drugs in-different



Ways based on physical tolerance, body size and gender, and on a variety of other physical and psychological factors.

#### **Alcohol**

Alcohol consumptions cause a number of changes in behavior. Even low doses significantly impair the judgment and coordination required to drive a car safely, increasingly -likelihood that the driver will be involved in an accident. Low to moderate doses of alcohol also increase the incident of a variety of aggressive acts. Moderate to high doses of alcohol cause marked impairment in higher mental functions severely altering a person's ability to learn and remember information. Very high doses cause respiratory depression and death. If combined with other depressants of the central nervous system, much lower doses of alcohol will produce the effects just described. Repeated use of alcohol can lead to dependence. Sudden cessation of alcohol intake is likely to produce Withdrawal symptoms, including severe anxiety, tremors, hallucinations and convulsions. Long- term consumption of large quantities of alcohol can also lead to permanent damage to vital organs such as the brain and the liver. Mothers who drink during pregnancy may give birth to infants with fetal alcohol syndrome. These infants have irreversible physical abnormalities and mental retardation. In addition, research indicates that children of alcoholic parents are at a greater risk others of developing alcohol related problems.

### **Cigarettes and other Nicotine Products**

In 1989, the U.S. Surgeon General issued a report that concluded the cigarettes and other forms of tobacco such as cigars, pipe tobacco and chewing tobacco, are addictive and that nicotine is the drug in tobacco that causes addiction. In addition, the report determined that smoking was a major cause of stroke and the third leading cause of death in the United States. Nicotine is both a stimulant and a sedative to the central nervous system. Nicotine is absorbed readily from tobacco smoke in the lungs, and it does not matter whether the tobacco smoke is from cigarettes, cigars, or pipes, Nicotine also is absorbed readily when tobacco is chewed.

In addition to nicotine, cigarette smoke is primarily composed of a dozen gases (mainly carbon monoxide) and tar. The tar in cigarettes, which varies from about 15 mg for a regular cigarette to 7 mg in a low-tar cigarette, exposes the user to a high expectancy rate of lung cancer, emphysema, and bronchial disorder. The carbon monoxide in the smoke increases the chance of cardiovascular diseases. The Environmental Protection Agency has concluded that secondhand smoke causes lung cancer in adults and greatly increases the risk of respiratory illnesses in children and sudden infant death.

#### **Prescription Medications**

Prescription drugs that are abused or used for non-medical reason can alter brain activity and lead the dependence. Commonly abused 'classes of prescriptions drugs include opioids (often



prescribed in the treatment of pain), central nervous depressants (often prescribed to treat anxiety and sleep disorders), and stimulants (prescribed to treat narcolepsy, ADHD, and obesity). Longterm use of opioids or central nervous system depressants can lead to physical dependence and addiction. Taken in doses stimulants can lead to compulsive use, paranoia, dangerously high body temperatures and irregular heartbeat.

#### Marijuana

Marijuana leads to a number of long term and short term physical and psychological effects: Marijuana use leads to a substantial increase in the heart rate, short term memory and comprehension and motivation can be altered. It can produce paranoia and psychosis. Smoking marijuana damages the lungs and pulmonary system, Marijuana contains more cancer causing 'agents than tobacco. It also lowers male sex hormones, suppresses ovulation, -and -causes changes in the menstrual cycle. Short-term effects include memory and learning problems, distorted perception and difficulty thinking and' solving problems.

#### **Cocaine and Crack**

Health risks may include changes in body temperature and blood pressure as Well as heart and breathing rates. Even small amounts may cause the body no exceed its own limits, sometimes resulting in death. Snorting cocaine may severely damage nasal tissue and the septum. Smoking cocaine may damage the lungs. Someone using cocaine may experience muscle twitching, panic reactions, anxiety, numbness, in hands and feet, loss of weight, a period of hyperactivity followed by a crash a runny or bleeding nose, and depression. Other symptoms of cocaine use may include nausea, vomiting, insomnia, tremors, and convulsions. Chronic users may become paranoid and/or \_ experience hallucinations.

#### **Barbiturates**

In small doses, barbiturates produce calmness, relaxed muscles, and lower anxiety. Larger doses cause slurred speech staggering gait, and altered perception. Very large doses or doses taken in combination with other central nervous system depressants (e.g., alcohol) may cause respirator depression, comma and even death. A person who uses barbiturates may have poor muscle control, appear drowsy or drunk, become confused, irritable, or inattentive, or slowed reactions.

#### **Amphetamines**

Amphetamines, methamphetamines, or other stimulants can cause increased heart rate and respiratory rates, elevated blood pressure, and dilated pupils. Larger doses cause- rapid or irregular heartbeat, tremors, and physical collapse. An amphetamine injection creates a sudden increase in blood pressure that can result in stroke, high fever, heart failure and death. An



individual amphetamine might begin to loose weight, have the sweats, and appears restless, anxious, moody and unable to focus. Extended use may produce psychosis, including hallucinations, delusion and paranoia.

#### **Hallucinations**

PCP or angel dust interrupts the part of the brain that controls the intellect and keeps instincts in check. PCP blocks pain receptors, violent episodes, including self-inflicted injuries, are not uncommon. Chronic users report memory loss and speech difficulty. Vary large doses produce convulsions, comma, heart and lung failure, or ruptured blood vessels in the brain. LSD, mescaline, peyote, etc. Cause dilated pupils, elevated body temperature, increase heart rate and blood pressure, and tremors. Someone under the influence of PCP might appear moody, aggressive, or violent. Sleeplessness, confusion, anxiety, and panic, and may report perceptual, distortions. Flashbacks may occur.

#### Steroids (anabolic)

Anabolic steroids are human-made substances related to male sex hormones. Some athletes abuse anabolic steroids\_ to enhance performance. Abuse of anabolic steroids can lead to serious health problems, some of which are irreversible, short term side effects include depression, hallucinations, paranoia, severe mood swings and aggressive behavior. Major side effects also can include liver tumors and cancer, jaundice, high blood pressure, 'kidney tumors, severe acne and trembling. In males side effects may include shrinking of the testicles and breast development. In females, side effects may include growth of facial hair, menstrual changes and deepened voice. In teenagers, growth may be halted prematurely and permanently.

#### **Narcotics**

Because narcotics are generally injected, the use of contaminated needles may result the contraction of many different diseases, including AIDS and hepatitis. Symptoms of overdose include; shallow breathing, clamming convulsions, and coma and may result in death. Some signs of narcotic use A are euphoria, drowsiness, constricted pupils, and nausea. Other symptoms include itchy skin, needle or "track" marks on the arms and legs, nodding, lack of sex drive and appetite, sweating, cramps and nausea when withdrawing from the drug.

#### **Treatment**

Medication and behavioral therapy, alone or in combination, are aspects of an overall therapeutic process that often begins with detoxification, followed by treatment and relapse prevention. Easing Withdrawal symptoms can be important- in-the initiation of treatment; preventing relapse is necessary for maintaining its effects. And sometimes, as with other chronic conditions,



episodes of relapse may require a return to prior treatment components. A continuum of care that includes a customized treatment regimen, addressing all aspects of an individual's life including medical and mental health services, and follow-up options (e.g. community of family based recovery support systems) can be crucial to a person's success in achieving and maintaining a drug nee lifestyle.

#### **Hotline Numbers**

National Drug and Alcohol Treatment referral Services: 800-662-4357 W Alcoholism Council of Greater New York: 800-56-SOBER New York Center of Addiction: 212-966-9537 School

# **Disciplinary Sanctions**

It is the school policy to discourage all violations of Federal, State or local laws by any member of the school community. In addition to possible prosecution and punishment by civil authorities, a student or employee violating any law may be subjected to sanctions imposed by the alcohol.

#### **Students**

Sanctions against students include, but are not limited to, disciplinary expulsion, suspension and/or probation. When appropriate school sanctions may be entered into permanent records. Parents of dependent students will be notified or pending charges or subsequent decisions. Each year the handbook will be updated and provided to students in the consumer information website and through SU Learning.

#### **Faculty & Staff**

Faculty who violate the school standards of conduct is subject to disciplinary action including reprimand, suspension, or dismissal. All faculty and staff are required to sign a drug abuse handbook each year. A copy will be kept in their file.

#### Other employees

The school may impose, sanctions against any employees who violate Federal, State or local laws, or the-standards of school conduct; depending on the nature and severity of the violation, these sanctions can range from warnings and/or mandatory referral for drug or alcohol rehabilitation to outright termination of employment.

Signature	Date