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<b>Policy Title:</b>	<b>Smoking</b>
<b>Applicability:</b>	<b>College-wide</b>
<b>Oversight Department:</b>	<b>Office of Public Safety and Office of Residence Life</b>
<b>Purpose:</b>	<b>The purpose of this policy is to maintain a safe and healthy environment for the College community, its visitors, and guests.</b>
<b>Effective Adoption Date:</b>	<b>September 1, 2002</b>
<b>Revision Date:</b>	<b>May 11, 2023</b>

## **I. Purpose & Scope**

This Policy sets forth Providence College's (the "College") rules, guidelines and requirements for smoking on the College's property. This Policy applies equally to students, employees, visitors, contractors, and any third-party on the College's property.

The College reserves the right to further restrict the smoking (as defined in Section II below) in any outdoor area on the College campus in its discretion, which may include restricting smoking to designated areas on the College campus.

## **II. Definition**

**Smoking** is defined as inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigarette, cigar, pipe, marijuana, plant, electronic cigarette, electronic nicotine delivery system product (vape and vape pens) or other similar products that rely on vaporization or aerosolization, electronic cigars, and electronic pipes.<sup>1</sup>

## **III. Requirements**

Smoking (including vaping and the use of other electronic devices as defined in Section II) is prohibited inside all College-owned or operated buildings and vehicles, including but not limited to residence facilities, suites and apartments, workspaces and offices, auditoriums, classrooms, laboratories, conference and meeting rooms, elevators, hallways and stairwells, cafeterias, gymnasiums and exercise facilities, lounges and restrooms.

The sale and marketing of cigarettes, marijuana, electronic nicotine delivery system products and other tobacco products is prohibited on the College campus.

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<sup>1</sup> Nothing in this Policy permits the use of drugs, including but not limited to, marijuana and any marijuana products, and any illegal substances anywhere on Campus. For more information on prohibited substances, please see the College's Alcohol and Drug-Free School and Workplace Policy [here](#).

Smoking (including vaping and the use of other electronic devices as defined in Section II)<sup>2</sup> is permitted outdoors on College property so long as it is done at least fifty (50) feet from any building or air intake vent. Employees, students, visitors, contractors, and third-parties are expected to use the appropriate receptacles and to not litter on the College campus.

#### **IV. Enforcement**

Successful implementation of this Policy relies on the observation and cooperation of the entire College community. The Office of Public Safety and the Office of Residence Life will be responsible for enforcing this Policy among students, employees, visitors, contractors, and any third-parties on the College's Property. Violations of this policy, including but not limited to indoor smoking and/or evidence of indoor smoking (including vaping and the use of other electronic devices as defined in Section II) will result in disciplinary action, fines, and in the case of students, the referral to the appropriate authority for sanctions.

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