## 1060 TOBACCO USE

Northland is committed to providing a smoke and tobacco-free environment for students, employees, and visitors. The College prohibits the use of smokeless tobacco, smoking, and the use of nicotine delivery devices within 50 feet of the building, except in designated outdoor areas. Use of tobacco products in college facilities is prohibited except in designated outdoor areas. Use of tobacco products and nicotine delivery devices in college- or state-owned vehicles is also prohibited.

The policy is applicable to all campus persons, including students, faculty, staff, administrators, outside contractors, and the general public.

This policy does not apply to specific activities used in connection with the practice of cultural activities including those of American Indians that are in accordance with the American Indian Religious Freedom Ace, 42 U.S.C. Sections 1996 and 1996a as permitted by Minnesota Statutes 2012, 144.4165. For the purpose of this section, a Native American is a person who is a member of a Native American Tribe as defined in section 160.755 subdivision 12. Arrangements for such ceremonies must confirm to local fire code requirements and be approved by the College President or their designee in advance.

## **Definitions**

**Smokeless Tobacco** – Chewing tobacco (leaves) or tobacco powder (snuff) allows nicotine to be absorbed through the mucous membrane of the oral cavity or digestive tract.

**Smoking** – Defined as inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other lighted or heated tobacco or other product intended for inhalation, in any manner or in any form. Smoking also includes the use of an e-cigarette which creates vapor, in any manner or any form, or the use of any oral device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking in this Policy.

**Nicotine Delivery Device** – Means any electronic oral device, such as one composed of a heating element, battery, and/or electronic circuit, which provides a vapor of nicotine or any other substances for inhalation. The term shall include any such device, whether manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as an e-cigarette, e-cigar, e-pipe, or under any other product name or descriptor, but does not include any product specifically approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in medical treatment, such as an asthma inhaler.

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