# ALCOHOL AND DRUG AWARENESS



2023-24 INFORMATION GUIDE

for Furman families



There is probably nothing that presents a greater risk to the successful completion of a college career than the high-risk use of alcohol. Drinking is directly related to lower academic performance, dropping out of college, legal problems, high-risk sexual activity, sexual assault, rape, vandalism, violent behavior, injury, and even death.

Talking about alcohol and drugs may not be easy. However, it is important for everyone to be aware of the consequences associated with high-risk drinking and using illegal drugs. It can help students get off on the right foot by making safer and healthier choices from day one.

Impaired judgment due to drinking can lead to risky behavior. It can cause physical harm to those who drink and result in physical harm or sexual assault. Additional consequences often include academic, legal, personal, and financial problems.

It is important for students to understand that not all college student's drink. The majority of Furman students prefer not having alcohol or other drugs present at their parties, and many students are making low-risk choices. They don't want to put themselves or others at risk.

# NON-ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES: ALCOHOL (2022–23)

#### I. INTRODUCTION

Furman University is committed to the health, safety, and well-being of members of the Furman community. The University recognizes that the use of alcoholic beverages by those of legal age is a matter of personal choice. The University requires that those who choose to consume alcohol on university property abide by applicable law and university policy and expects that such individuals will conduct themselves responsibly, mindful of the rights of others. Individuals are responsible for behaving in a manner that is not disruptive or endangering to themselves or others, and all members of the University community share responsibility for creating an environment that limits dangerous drinking behaviors.

#### II. APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to the consumption, possession, service, and sale of alcoholic beverages on university property (regardless of the sponsor or the source of funds), to all events sponsored by the University or for which alcohol is purchased using university funds (regardless of the location of the event), and to all student events (regardless of the location of the event). It applies to all members of the University community and visitors to the campus (including but not limited to faculty, staff, students, guests, and alumni).

#### III. DEFINITIONS

As used in this policy, the following terms have the meanings given to them below.

- The "Appropriate Vice President" means:
  - for event organizers who are faculty members, the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost or an authorized designee;

- b. for event organizers who are staff, the Vice President overseeing the division in which the event organizer works or an authorized designee;
- c. for student event organizers, the Vice President for Student Life or an authorized designee;
- d. for event organizers who are members of the President's senior administrative team (including the President), the event organizer;
- e. for event organizers who report to the President and are not members of the President's senior administrative team, the President;
- f. and for third-party event organizers (i.e., organizations or individuals who are neither employed by nor enrolled at the University), the Vice President for Finance and Administration (or an authorized designee) or the appropriate facility operator (as that term is defined in the Use of University Space Policy).
- "Event" has the definition given to it in the Use of University Space Policy, without giving consideration to the exclusions to such definition provided therein, and with the exception that the following gatherings do not constitute "events" for purposes of this policy: (A) religious ceremonies, when they are held in the Charles Ezra Daniel Memorial Chapel using wine pursuant to the approval and supervision of the Associate Vice President for Spiritual Life or their designee, (B) academic courses using alcohol as required for classroom instruction
- "On Campus" means any property owned or leased by the University. "Off Campus" means any property that is not on campus.
- "Student Event" means any event that is primarily planned, funded, and/or executed by one or more students or that a reasonable person would conclude is primarily planned, funded, and/or executed by one or more students, regardless of whether the students are operating as a recognized student organization pursuant to the Student Organization Policies and Procedures.
- "Third-party Vendor" means a vendor or bartender holding a valid license to serve or sell alcohol issued by the South
  Carolina Department of Revenue. Third-party vendors serving and selling alcohol at events on campus must be approved
  by the Vice President for Finance and Administration in order to operate on campus and must provide a copy of their
  current license and proof of insurance naming the University as an additional insured/loss payee under their general
  commercial liability policy.

#### **IV. POLICY DETAILS**

#### A. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

All possession, consumption, service, and sale of alcohol must be in accordance with applicable South Carolina state laws. All individuals are expected to understand such laws and ensure that they do not violate them. It is also the responsibility of each individual to ensure that the University does not, through such person's actions, violate the law.

The following is a brief synopsis of certain laws in effect at the time of the adoption of this policy. For detailed and updated information on the laws of the State of South Carolina, please consult the South Carolina Code of Laws.

- Underage Consumption: It is unlawful for a person under the age of 21 to purchase, attempt to purchase, consume, or knowingly possess alcoholic liquors, beer, ale, porter, wine, or other similar malt or fermented beverage.
- 2. Driving Under the Influence (DUI): It is unlawful for a person to drive a motor vehicle within the state of South Carolina while under the influence of alcohol.
- Open Containers in Motor Vehicles: It is unlawful for a person to have in his possession, except in the trunk or luggage compartment, beer or wine in an open container in a motor vehicle of any kind while located upon the public highways or highway rights of way of the state of South Carolina.
- 4. Purchase of Beer or Wine for a Person to Whom It Cannot Lawfully Be Sold: It is unlawful for a person who

purchases beer or wine while on licensed premises to give the beer or wine to a person to whom beer or wine cannot lawfully be sold on the premises.

- 5. Transfer to Person Under the Age of 21 Years: It is unlawful for a person to transfer or give to a person under the age of 21 years for the purpose of consumption of alcoholic liquors in the state of South Carolina.
- 6. False Information About Age: It is unlawful for a person to whom beer or wine cannot be lawfully sold to knowingly give false information concerning his age for the purpose of purchasing beer or wine.

As sworn officers of the State of South Carolina, the Furman University Police Department may enforce these and other state laws.

Campus Security Authorities ("CSAs") are reminded that they are required by the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (the "Clery Act") to report to University Police allegations of Clery Act crimes that they receive or observe, which include liquor law violations. For more information regarding CSA reporting requirements, contact University Police.

#### B. COMPLIANCE WITH UNIVERSITY REQUIREMENTS

All possession, consumption, service, and sale of alcohol must be in accordance with applicable university requirements, including those set forth in this policy.

- Possession of Alcohol on Campus
  - Individuals may only be in possession of alcohol on campus as follows:
  - At an event, pursuant to the provisions of this policy and the Use of University Space Policy,
  - While tailgating at a major athletic event, pursuant to the provisions of this policy and the Tailgating at Major Athletic Events Policy and Student Tailgates Policy,
  - At a restaurant or venue on campus, such as the Paddock, when the individual has purchased alcohol from the restaurant or venue and pursuant to the provisions of this policy, or
  - For students, pursuant to the provisions of this policy and as provided in the Student Handbook, including but
    not limited to the Student Organization Policies and Procedures, the Student Alcohol Policy, and the Student
    Tailgates Policy.

#### 2. Event Rules

a. Security. Furman University Police (or security personnel approved by Furman University Police) must be present, at the expense of the event organizer, at all times during (i) any student event on campus, including those contemplated by the Student Organization Policies and Procedures, but excluding the consumption of alcohol within the living units of the North Village and Vinings Apartments pursuant to the provisions of the Student Alcohol Policy (ii) any event on campus at which attendance is expected to exceed 75 guests and at which alcohol will be served or sold, and (iii) as otherwise required by the Use of University Space Policy. It is also recommended that Furman University Police be notified of any event on campus at which alcohol will be served, sold, or consumed, whether or not their presence is required at the event.

#### b. Required Approvals.

- i. Event Approval. All events, whether on or off campus, at which alcohol will be served, sold, or consumed must be approved by the appropriate Vice President, with the exception of events held at the following locations on campus, which do not require approval of an appropriate Vice President, provided that alcohol is served or sold by an approved third-party vendor:
  - The Amphitheatre
  - Cherrydale Alumni House
  - The David E. Shi Institute for Sustainability

- The Football Stadium
- Furman University Golf Course
- The Garden Room of the Chapel
- Hartness Pavilion
- Herring Center for Continuing Education
- North Village G Pavilion
- Timmons Arena
- Trone Student Center
- The Trustee and Faculty Dining Rooms
- Vinings Clubhouse
- Younts Conference Center

In addition, except as provided in the Student Handbook, all student events and all events that it would be reasonable to expect that students would attend, in either case at which alcohol will be served, sold or consumed, must also be approved by the Vice President for Student Life at least fourteen days in advance of the event (even, for the avoidance of doubt, those held at the above-listed locations).

ii. Approval for the Service, Sale, or Consumption of Liquor or Spirits. When approved 14 days in advance by the appropriate Vice President and Furman University Police, liquor and spirits may be sold, served, and consumed at events at Younts Conference Center at which students will not be present. When approved 14 days in advance by the appropriate Vice President (and the Vice President for Student Life, for events that it would be reasonable to expect that students would attend), liquor and spirits may be sold and served at events off campus.

#### c. Event Requirements and Recommendations.

- i. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is permitted only by, and alcoholic beverages may be served or sold only by and to, persons of legal drinking age.
- ii. Individuals selling or serving alcohol may not consume alcohol.
- iii. Except as otherwise permitted by applicable university policy, alcohol must be purchased from a third-party vendor (i.e., it may not be purchased by the sponsor of the event and provided to the third-party vendor to be served), with the exception of alcohol donated to the University pursuant to its Gift Acceptance Policy, which may be delivered to the third-party vendor to be served.
- iv. Except as otherwise permitted by applicable university policy, any service or sale of alcohol must be by a third-party vendor. This is true regardless of whether the vendor is supplying the alcohol or simply serving the alcohol. For events that are off campus, event organizers are responsible for ensuring that off-campus vendors hold the requisite license. (For convenience, a list of off-campus third-party vendors whose licenses have already been provided to the University is available from the Office of Student Involvement and Inclusion.) All event organizers and attendees must abide by the rules of the third-party vendor with respect to the service or sale of alcohol to the extent that those rules are more restrictive than those set forth in this policy.
- v. Except as otherwise permitted by applicable university policy, events may not be BYOB (i.e., alcohol must be served or sold at the event and cannot be brought to the event, even by an individual of legal drinking age), and no outside beverages may be brought into an event.
- vi. Individuals who are intoxicated or disorderly may not be served or sold alcohol, and such persons may not be allowed to remain on the premises where alcohol is sold, served, or consumed after such condition is

known to the person selling or serving the alcohol.

- vii. It is recommended that non-alcoholic beverages and food be made available at all events where alcohol is served or sold.
- viii. On-campus events with alcohol are limited to beer and wine only, with the exception of events that have been approved by the appropriate Vice President pursuant to Section IV(B)(2)(c)(ii) above. Off-campus events with alcohol are recommended to be beer and wine only; however, liquor and spirits may be sold and served at off-campus events with the approval of the appropriate Vice President(s) as set forth in Section IV(B)(2)(c)(ii) above.
- ix. At all student events with alcohol and all events with alcohol that it would be reasonable to expect that students would attend; event organizers must ensure that there is a method for identifying attendees as of legal drinking age or not.
- x. Student events that serve or sell alcohol or at which alcohol is consumed must follow the Student Organization Policies and Procedures regardless of whether the event organizers are operating as a recognized student organization (as defined in such policies and procedures).
- d. Storage Management. Unconsumed alcohol purchased from a third-party vendor must be returned to the third-party vendor for storage or disposal following an event. Unopened, donated alcohol must be stored in Farmer Hall, Cherrydale Alumni House, or the President's Suite at Paladin Stadium, as appropriate, before and after an event. Opened, donated alcohol must be disposed of following an event. Employees and other event attendees may not take unconsumed alcohol home with them (whether the alcohol is opened or unopened).

#### C. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH POLICY

Violations of this policy can result in both criminal prosecution and university action pursuant to applicable policy, including dismissal from the University.

#### D. OTHER POLICIES

This policy applies in addition to, and not in lieu of, other applicable university policies, including but not limited to the following:

- The Use of University Space Policy.
- The Student Handbook, including but not limited to the Student Alcohol Policy and Student Tailgates Policy.
- The Tailgating at Major Athletic Events Policy.
- University employees are bound by all other applicable university policies, including the University's Drug-Free Workplace Policy (850.1).

#### E. LIABILITY

Organizations that and individuals who host an event at which alcohol is present may be held responsible for the actions and well-being of their members and guests.

#### V. STUDENT HOUSING

The consumption of alcohol beverages in the North Village and Vinings Apartment complexes is permitted inside the individual apartment units by persons of legal drinking age; however, the consumption of alcohol at these complexes is

not allowed outside the apartment units. Individual students and student organizations' use of alcohol, including at these housing complexes, are otherwise under the governance set forth in the Student Handbook.

# STUDENT CONDUCT CODE (2022–23)

# Alcohol

# Philosophical statement on alcohol

Furman University's Vision, Mission, and Values statement guides our pursuit of inspiring purposeful living through transformative experiences that nurture the growth of each individual on an intellectual, spiritual, emotional, and physical level. The University is committed to providing a campus environment free of the abuse of alcohol and the illegal use of alcohol and drugs. The University affirms the abuse and illegal use of alcohol are at odds with the mission of the institution.

As such, the University provides alcohol education programs throughout a student's matriculation at the University via online resources, workshops, written matrials and special programs, events and speakers focused on assisting students in enhancing their personal decision-making skills and assessing their values and actions related to the use of alcohol.

The University recognizes that too many college students, both legally and underage, drink to excess. Such abuse can lead to serious health risks and behavioral problems, i.e., violence, sexual assault, accidents, vandalism and other dangerous acts. Furman's Alcohol Policy grows out of the commitment to maintain a campus environment that supports the educational program and promotes the general welfare of the University community.

The University affirms the following ideals related to alcohol use:

- 1. The University supports the decision of students not to use alcohol.
- 2. Alcohol education is an important and on-going process that will be provided throughout the undergraduate experience.
- 3. Students that drink alcohol and infringe on the rights of others or disrupt the University community will be subject to student conduct action.
- 4. The University upholds and supports all federal and state laws related to the regulation and use of alcohol. Students who violate such laws may be held accountable by local and university authorities.
- 5. The University emphasizes prevention education and low-risk decision-making as cornerstones of the overall educational experience of students at the University. As such, the University provides medical and counseling assistance for individuals who experience alcohol-related concerns.
- 6. The University supports behavior and social interactions that are legal, low-risk, healthy and reflective of the University's values and character.

# Alcohol Policy

The purpose of the Alcohol Policy is to outline Furman's expectations of responsibility and accountability regarding the use of alcohol. Ultimately, decisions about the use of alcohol are the responsibility of the individual within the constraints of the law and university policy.

- 1. Furman embraces the ideals of a healthy and balanced social environment in which students commit to the institution's mission, model the institution's values, and aspire to the institution's vision.
- 2. The University upholds and supports all federal and state laws in regard to the regulation and use of alcohol.
- 3. The goal of the policy is to encourage students to either abstain from the use of alcohol or make low-risk choices regarding the use of alcohol.
- 4. The residence halls are unique living units on the campus intended for large groups of students to reside without undue peer pressure related to the use of alcohol. As such, alcohol is not allowed in any of the residence halls on campus.
- 5. North Village are living units in which those 21 years of age or older have the option to drink alcohol in the privacy of the apartments themselves. However, alcohol is not allowed outside the apartments (i.e., not allowed on balconies, porches, stairwells, etc.), nor may be provided to anyone under the age of 21. For alcohol use in the North Village Pavilion, please refer to the North Village Pavilion Use Alcohol Policy.

The regulations and practices governing the use of alcohol on the campus apply to all Furman students as well as their guests and visitors. As with all other student conduct policies, the responsibility for knowing and abiding by the policy rests with the student.

All local, state, and federal laws are in effect, and violations may result in student conduct action and/or local law enforcement action.

# General Regulations

Furman Police may administer breathalyzers to students who state that they have not been consuming alcohol. When a student is charged with underage consumption of alcohol, public intoxication, or driving while impaired, the conduct resolution process when determining responsibility will weigh heavily a student's refusal to take an offered breathalyzer.

Furman University prohibits the following:

- 1. Possession and/or consumption of alcohol by anyone under the age of 21.
- 2. Possession and/or consumption of alcohol in the residence halls regardless of age.
- 3. Abusive, excessive and/or harmful consumption of alcoholic beverages.
- 4. Public consumption and/or possession of alcohol in common areas of buildings and outdoor venues unless previously approved by the University as a special event.
- Alcohol in academic facilities.
- 6. Public intoxication.
- 7. Driving under the influence of alcohol.
- 8. Public display of alcohol and/or alcohol containers carried around campus.
- 9. Empty alcohol containers in the residence halls, including but not limited to, those used for decorative purposes.
- 10. Residents may be responsible for providing the environment for underage consumption/possession of alcohol by others in their assigned housing units whether or not the residents purchased and/or actually provided the alcohol.
- 11. Distribution and/or provision of alcohol to anyone under the age of 21.

- 12. Common containers of alcoholic beverages or excessive amounts of alcohol on university-owned property including but not limited to kegs, pony kegs, party balls, bulk containers, or bulk amounts of individual containers or other devices used for drinking games.
  - High-risk drinking, drinking games and drinking game paraphernalia (including but not limited to beer pong tables, funnels, etc.) are strictly forbidden because they encourage abuse of alcohol.
- 13. Sponsorship of activities involving the use of alcoholic beverages without prior written approval by the University. Specifically, parties are not allowed in any of the residential buildings or apartments.
  - Common characteristics of a party can include but are not limited to any or all of the following: presence of bulk volumes of alcohol, large volume of people, loud music or noise that disturbs neighbors or otherwise draws attention, and/or other behavior that draws attention to a student apartment/room.

# Disciplinary Sanctions

The University will impose conduct sanctions on students who violate the Alcohol Policy regulations. The following minimum sanctions will apply for violations of the Alcohol Policy. Repeated violations of the Alcohol Policy may result in suspension or expulsion. It should be noted that alcohol violations which are also in conjunction with other Student Conduct Code violations may result in more stringent sanctions.

- 1. Underage consumption and/or possession or alcohol:
  - a. 1st offense \$100 fine, online alcohol education, parental notification; reflective/research essay.
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$150 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> offense \$300 fine, PRIME for Life, alcohol abuse assessment at student's expense, disciplinary probation, parental notification.
- 2. Providing environment for underage consumption:
  - a. 1st offense \$150 fine, online alcohol education, parental notification
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$200 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification.
- 3. Distribution/provision of alcohol to underage individuals:
  - a. 1st offense \$300 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$500 fine, disciplinary probation, PRIME for Life, parental notification.
- 4. Public display: \$50 fine, written warning.
- 5. Of-age possession/consumption in unauthorized residence halls regardless of age: \$50 fine, written warning.
- 6. Public intoxication:
  - a. 1st offense \$75 fine, parental notification.
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense \$100 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification.
- 7. Driving while impaired:
  - a. 1st offense \$300 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification, disciplinary probation, parking privileges suspended for one semester.

- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> offense suspension for minimum one academic semester, \$500 fine, parental notification, parking privileges suspended for one academic year upon return from suspension.
- 8. Alcohol abuse or harmful use: \$200 fine, PRIME for Life, possible off-campus alcohol assessment at student's expense, parental notification; two or more abuse violations are grounds for possible suspension or expulsion.
- 9. Underage purchase or attempt to purchase alcohol: \$150 fine, online alcohol education, parental notification.
- 10. Possession of a common bulk container: \$150 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification.
- 11. Evidence of or participation in a drinking game: \$100 fine, online alcohol education, confiscation of the game paraphernalia, parental notification.
- 12. Sponsorship/hosting of an unauthorized party: \$300 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification.

# Amnesty Policy

In response to the abuse of alcohol and drugs, the University strives to maintain a balance between student support an accountability. While it believes strongly in addressing student health concerns directly and confronting dangerous behaviors, the University also encourages students to seek help in situations where a student's health is endangered. The University's first priority is to encourage student safety, and believes it is important for students to receive both immediate attention in dangerous situations as well as follow-up support to encourage healthier behaviors.

- Students who proactively seek medical attention as a result of dangerous behaviors, such as but not limited to alcohol and/or other drug abuse, will be granted amnesty from the University's student conduct process, required to meet with the Dean of Students and given an opportunity to comply with education-related recommendations. When seeking assistance, the student must contact a university official, such as Student Life, Housing and Residence Life, University Police, or Student Health Center, in order to be eligible for amnesty.
- 2. Students who proactively seek medical attention for their peer's dangerous behaviors will not be charged with an alcohol or drug consumption/possession violation(s). When seeking assistance, the student must contact a university official, such as Student Life, Housing and Residence Life, University Police, or Student Health Center, in order to be eligible for amnesty. Students may be required to meet with the Dean of Students Office and given an opportunity to comply with education-related recommendations. Seeking help for another student does not preclude a student from be granted amnesty for themselves at a future date.
- 3. At the follow-up amnesty meeting, the Dean of Students Office will have a conversation intended to support student development through educational means and will recommend a specific course of action for that student to avoid being charged with disorderly conduct.
- 4. The course of action may include notifying parents, attending an alcohol education program, or any other recommendation deemed appropriate by the Dean of Students Office. Should the student follow through appropriately, such a meeting will not be a part of their student conduct record, rather a "for information only" (FIO) record. Students who fail or refuse to follow through with these recommendations may be charged with failure to comply and be adjudicated through the University's student conduct process and the amnesty will be nullified.
- 5. Students who violate the Alcohol or Drug Policy as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct after previously being granted amnesty are not eligible for amnesty a second time. The prior incident for which amnesty was granted will become part of the conduct record.
- This amnesty policy only applies to university policies and will not negate any criminal or civil charges.

# DRUG-FREE CAMPUS (2022–23)

# General Regulations

- 1. Possession, consumption (without a legal prescription), sale and/or distribution of controlled and illegal substances (consistent with federal, state, or local laws), is strictly prohibited. The possession or use of prescription drugs without a valid medical prescription and use of substances for purposes or in manners not as directed is prohibited.
- 2. Possession, consumption, sale and/or distribution of any substances used to cause impairment including but not limited to intoxication or hallucinations (e.g. Spice and Kratom), is prohibited.
- 3. Possession of any substance, whether legal under state or federal law or not, that contains any measurable amount of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), such as hemp and CBD oil is prohibited (this also includes product such as Delta 8, 9 & 10).
- 4. Possession, consumption, sale and/or distribution of synthetic stimulants, such as "bath salts" (also known as Cloud 9, White Dove, Hurricane Charlie, White Lightning) is prohibited. Normal bathing salts are permitted.
- 5. Students may not use or possess drug paraphernalia, including but not limited to weights, scales, rolling papers, e-cigs, blunts, vapes, juuls, hookahs and other smoking devices used to consume illegal substances.
- 6. Students may not be in the presence of the possession, sale, or use of prohibited, controlled or illegal substances.
- 7. Students may not share prohibited, controlled, or illegal substances, including prescription medications.
- 8. Students may not sell prohibited, controlled or illegal substances, to include prescription medications.
- 9. Misbehaving or causing disruption as a result of drug use on or in university property, or at functions sponsored by the University or by a recognized university organization is prohibited.
- 10. Student-athletes may be randomly tested per athletic department and NCAA policies.
- 11. Students who violate Furman's Drug-Free Campus Policy may be sanctioned to random drug screenings. Testing positive for illegal substances will be considered consumption. Failure to complete a drug test within the given time frame will be treated as a positive result. Diluted samples will result in additional testing at the students' expense.
- 12. Students convicted of any offense involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance may also be deemed ineligible to receive financial aid.

# Disciplinary Sanctions

The University will impose conduct sanctions on students who violate the Drug-Free Campus Policy. The following minimum sanctions will apply for violations of the Drug-Free Campus Policy. Repeated violations of the Drug-Free Campus Policy may result in suspension or expulsion. It should be noted that drug violations which are also in conjunction with other Student Conduct Code violations may result in more stringent sanctions.

Simple possession and/or use of a controlled substance: examples include but are not limited to marijuana, products containing THC, synthetic marijuana (K2 and "Spice"), edibles, salvia and pyrovalerone derivatives (found in substance marketed as "bath salts"); prescription drugs without a valid/current medical prescription; use of prescribed medication not as directed (over-use, snorting prescribed medication, etc.); huffing, snorting, smoking, eating, or otherwise possessing or using legal substances not as intended.

- a. 1st offense—\$200 fine, random drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, parental notification, PRIME for Life, warning that a 2nd offense may result in a suspension for a minimum of one academic semester.
- b. 2nd offense—suspension for a minimum of one academic semester, verification of substance abuse assessment and completion of all recommended treatment at student's expense prior to application for re-enrollment, parental notification; PRIME for Life post re-enrollment, one semester disciplinary probation upon re-enrollment.
- 2. Possession and/or use of other drugs: examples include but are not limited to cocaine, heroin, LSD, and PCP.
  - a. 1st offense—suspension for a minimum of two academic semesters, \$300 fine, parental notification, verification of substance abuse assessment and completion of all recommended treatment at student's expense prior to application for re-enrollment, drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, possible loss of university housing privileges upon re-enrollment, PRIME for Life post re-enrollment, one-year disciplinary probation upon re-enrollment.
  - b. 2nd offense-expulsion, parental notification.
- 3. Possession of drug paraphernalia: including but not limited to pipes, roach clips, bongs, blunts, hookahs, blow tubes, papers, scales or any material or apparatus containing drug residue (which can include e-cigs, vapes, Juuls, etc.).
  - a. 1st offense—\$100 fine, online drug education, parental notification.
  - b. 2nd offense—\$150 fine, PRIME for Life, random drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, parental notification.
- 4. Present during the possession, use or sale of drugs: being in the presence of the possession, sale or use of prohibited, controlled or illegal substances, to include prescription medications.
  - a. 1st offense—\$100 fine, online drug education, parental notification.
  - b. 2nd offense—\$150 fine, PRIME for Life, random drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, parental notification.
- 5. Accessory to drug use or possession: sharing prohibited, controlled or illegal substances, to include prescription medication.
  - a. 1st offense—\$300 fine, PRIME for Life, random drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, possible one-year disciplinary probation, parental notification.
  - b. 2nd offense—suspension for a minimum of one academic semester, \$400 fine, PRIME for Life, parental notification, possible loss of university housing privileges.
- 6. Distribution, sale, or exchange (including but not limited to, without financial gain) of controlled, illegal or prohibited substances, to include prescription medications.
  - a. 1st offense—possible expulsion (depending on type/amount of prohibited substance); if not expulsion, suspension for a minimum of two academic semesters, \$400 fine, verification of substance abuse assessment and completion of all recommended treatment at student's expense prior to application for re-enrollment, parental notification, PRIME for Life post re-enrollment, possible loss of university housing privileges upon re-enrollment, random drug testing as determined on a case-by-case basis, one year disciplinary probation upon re-enrollment.
  - b. 2nd offense-expulsion, parental notification.



# **ALCOHOL (2022–23)**

# Risk Management Provisions for Organizational Social Events with Alcohol

The following policies set the minimum university expectations for social events / activities - with or without alcohol. Organizations may choose to impose additional requirements in order to achieve their desired experience for the event. If organizations affiliated with national groups have additional requirements, the organization is responsible for knowing those additional requirements. However, the University will only enforce its own policies.

# Scope

The following policies apply to all applicable social events even if the organization fails to register the event as required by university policy. Registration is an opportunity for an organization to consult an advisor on university policies related to the event. However, it is ultimately the responsibility of the organization to know and apply all relevant policies. The University is not responsible for enforcing or ensuring compliance with any external policies governing the organization.

#### **Definitions**

- BYOB. Alcohol brought to the event by an of-age individual. The alcohol may
  only be consumed by the person who brought it. The alcohol that each person
  may bring and consume to a BYOB event is only beer, beer- equivalent
  (Whiteclaw, Truly, Smirnoff, Ciders, etc.), and wine. Beer and beer-equivalent
  may be no more than six individually packaged, 12-ounce containers. Wine may
  be no more than four individually packaged, 187 ml containers. Liquor is never
  allowed at BYOB. Regardless of allowed amounts, each student is expected to
  engage in low-risk drinking.
- Facility Operator. A facility operator is a university employee who has primary
  decision-making responsibility for a university space and includes, but is not
  limited to, staff in Athletics, Spiritual Life, Conference & Event Services,
  McAlister Auditorium, OSII, and Registrar. The Use of University Space Policy
  supersedes any conflict in the definition a facility operator.
- 3. Food Service Provider. Furman's food service provider is the entity and its successors contracted by Furman to operate dining facilities on campus.
- 4. Third-Party Vendor. A licensed third-party vendor is a vendor or bartender licensed by the South Carolina Department of Revenue to serve alcohol. Third-party vendors must be approved by Furman's food service provider to operate on campus. All third-party vendors must provide a copy of their current license allowing them to serve alcohol at an event on university property and proof of insurance naming the University as an additional insured/loss payee under their policy. The preferred third-party vendor is Furman's food service provider.

5. Social Event. A social event is defined as an event or activity that the University determines is not primarily educational, professional development, competition, performance, or service in nature. If alcohol is provided at the event or activity, the University presumption is that the event is primarily social in nature.

# On-Campus Social Events/Activities with Alcohol

- 1. All events must comply with the University Alcohol Policy.
- 2. All event spaces should be reserved fourteen-days in advance in accordance with the Use of University Space Policy, with additional notice to University Police.
- 3. All events are limited to beer and wine only unless approved in advance by the facility operator and University Police.
- 4. Security must be provided by the Furman University Police or their designees at the expense of the event planner.
- 5. All events with alcohol that students would reasonably be expected to attend must identify attendees as of-age or underage and use Furman's food service provider or a third-party vendor. Limited exceptions allowing for BYOB must be approved by the Vice President for Student Life or their designee.
- Alcohol sales are limited to cash/credit purchase; open bars or other provision of drinks at no-cost or reduced-cost to the
  attendee are not allowed unless approved fourteen-days in advance by the Vice President for Student Life or their
  designee.
- 7. Cost of alcohol may not be included in any admission, meal, or entertainment charge.
- 8. Non-academic public spaces on campus may be used for events with alcohol, which includes, but is not limited to, the Amphitheatre, Cherrydale Alumni Center, The David E. Shi Center for Sustainability, Furman University Golf Course, Garden Room of the Chapel, Hartness Pavilion, Herring Center for Continuing Education, North Village G Pavilion, Paladin Tower at the Football Stadium, Timmons Arena, Trone Student Center, Trustee and Faculty Dining Rooms, The Vinings Clubhouse, Younts Conference Center, and outdoor spaces.
- 9. Academic spaces and classrooms may not be used for events with alcohol except when the event organizer in an academic department, academic affairs administrator, or a professor using alcohol as required for classroom instruction.
- 10. Religious ceremonies involving alcohol that are approved by the Office of Spiritual Life are exempt from this policy.

# Off-Campus Social Events with Alcohol

- 1. All events must comply with the University Alcohol Policy.
- 2. All events must be registered seven days in advance with all required documentation in order. Registration must include third-party vendor, acknowledgement the organization gave notice to the third-party vendor of university policies, expected number of attendees, transportation plan for guests, theme, and contact person within the organization for the vendor and university.
- 3. Off-campus events may only be held at or hosted by university-recognized third-party vendors. For a list of recognized venues, please contact the OSII. To request use of a vendor not on the recognized list, a student organization must contact OSII a minimum of 30 days prior to the event.
- 4. In order to be a recognized vendor, OSII must have a copy of the venue or vendor's liquor license. The University makes no representations regarding the quality of the vendor, and student organizations use the vendor at their own risk.
- 5. Off-campus events with alcohol are recommended to be beer and wine only.
- 6. Alcohol sales are limited to cash/credit purchase; open bars or other provision of drinks at no-cost or reduced-cost to the attendee are not allowed unless approved fourteen-days in advance by the Vice President for Student Life or their designee.
- 7. Cost of alcohol may not be included in any admission, meal, or entertainment charge.

# General Provisions for All Events/Activities

- 7 Day Requirement. All organization-sponsored events/activities must be registered with the Office of Student Involvement & Inclusion seven days in advance. The only exceptions are regularly occurring business meetings, at which members only are present.
- 2. Academic Restriction Periods. In order to prioritize academics, no off-campus events may be registered from the opening of campus housing for student move-in through the close of business on the first Friday of the academic semester. Similarly, no off-campus social events will be approved the last seven days of classes for the academic semester (ending on the last day of classes) through the closing of campus housing. Limited exceptions will be made by the Vice President of Student Life in consultation with the Provost or their designees. Events registration is closed during summer and winter breaks.
- 3. Advertising. Advertisements of an event may not contain any reference to alcohol specials or discounts as specials and discounts are not allowed by policy.
- 4. Co-Sponsorship with Alcohol Distributor. No student organization may co-sponsor an event with an alcohol manufacturer or supplier.
- 5. Cover Charges & Ticketing Events. Events may not create income for a student organization. Third-party vendors may collect cover charges so long as that money goes directly to the vendor and not to the organization. Organizations may ticket events so long as ticket revenue are equal to or less than cost of venue rental and/or entertainment contract. Cover charges or tickets may not entitle a guest to any free or reduced-price alcohol. Events may raise funds for an organization's philanthropy so long as 100% of all income is given to the charitable organization.
- 6. Failure to Register. Failure to register an event may result in the cancellation of the event or conduct action.
- 7. Guest List. Organizations are not required to maintain a guest list or limit attendees to invitation- only for an event, though both are recommended as best practices. The University may request a guest list after an event as part of a complaint or other investigation.
- 8. High-Risk Activities. Any events involving high risk behaviors—including but not limited to, bar crawls, common source alcohol, drinking games, and organization sponsored or organized pre-parties are strictly prohibited.
- 9. Noise. All events must comply with local noise ordinances.
- 10. Outside Beverages. No outside beverages are to be brought into an event, except for those allowed by BYOB. This includes, but is not limited to, water bottles, sodas, cups, etc.
- 11. Risk Management Training. In order to be eligible to host an event, each organization must complete all required university training.
- 12. Security. Events may be required to provide security in accordance with the Use of University Space Policy and/or Alcohol Policy. Additionally, the OSII may require events to include approved security based upon attendance size or other concerns. On-campus events may only use University Police or their designee as security.
- 13. Themes. All social event themes must be approved by the OSII prior to the advertising of or invitations to the event are distributed. Themes may not be demeaning.

# Applicability of other University Policies

- All on-or off-campus events planned, funded, and/or executed by a student organization or where a reasonable person
  would conclude a student organization is primarily responsible for its planning, funding, or execution must follow the
  student organization policies.
- 2. The Student Conduct Code applies to students at all on- or off-campus events.

## Parental Notification

Federal law recognizes parents' rights to be notified if their student is involved in risky or illegal behavior such as underage drinking, public drunkenness, drug use, or criminal activity. The law permits, but does not require, schools to notify families any time a student under 21 violates drug or alcohol laws. Furman University reserves the right to notify families of those students under age 21 of violations of campus Drug and Alcohol Policy in compliance with FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) regulations. The parents of students 21 or older found responsible for violating Furman's campus Alcohol Policy may also be notified depending on the violation.



# Alcohol and Drug Education Programs

The Student Life Office coordinates a proactive, comprehensive approach to meeting students' health and wellness needs by addressing the dangers of alcohol and drug use. The mission of the office is to prevent and reduce underage drinking, high-risk drinking, and the related social harm for students. The office works collaboratively with the University and surrounding community to promote low-risk alcohol and drug choices and support responsible decision-making by Furman students. Up to one in six college students may have a substance use disorder. Recognizing the signs and symptoms is key. If your student wants to quit drinking or using and needs help, contact the A&D Education Coordinator at 864.294.2202. Consultations are completely confidential and will not be reported to disciplinary channels. If your student is worried about a classmate, encourage them to contact the A&D Coordinator. Early intervention could save a life.

# Counseling Center

The Furman Counseling Center offers an evidence-based, mental health stepped-care model which includes a range of treatment interventions from the least to the most intensive based on students' mental health symptoms. On-campus counselors strive to empower students to maximize and manage their own mental well-being to achieve academic success in a rigorous and stressful university environment.

In addition to concerns pertaining to adjustment to university life - such as homesickness, grief, and cultural differences - other common causes for students to seek the Counseling Center's services include depression, anxiety, disordered eating, and substance use.

A rapid and flexible access to an array of mental health treatment options may include online self-help solutions, group, single session counseling, crisis counseling, a 24-hour crisis hotline, psychiatric consultations, and nutritionist services. The Counseling Center provides case management and community referrals for individuals whose symptoms require specialized or intensive treatment.

Furman's Counseling Center provides a safe, supportive, space for students of all backgrounds, opinions, and concerns. Services are free and confidential.

# Promoting Healthy Options through Knowledge, Understanding, and Service

PHOKUS is a student organization that focuses on peer health education. Alcohol and Drug Awareness Weeks, Mental Health Awareness Week, student presentations on alcohol and drugs and outside presenters are just the few ways PHOKUS members teach Furman students about the dangers of binge drinking, the campus alcohol and drug policies, and the consequences of drinking and driving. Students interested in joining PHOKUS should contact Student Life.

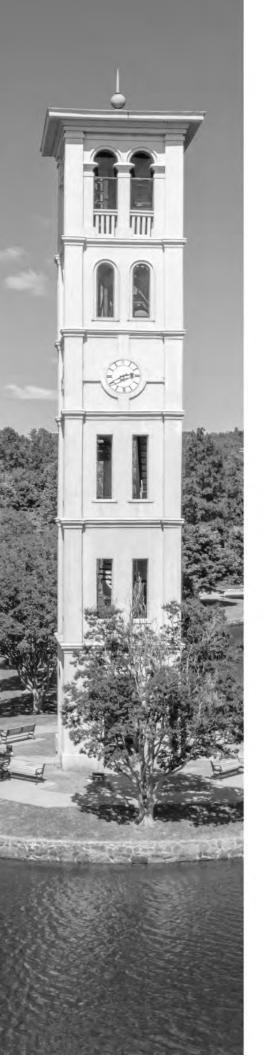
#### Sexual Misconduct and Title IX

Furman is committed to having a campus environment that will neither tolerate nor condone sexual violence. Sexual violence is a serious issue on every college campus that impacts students across the country. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that nearly 1 in 5 women and 1 in 38 men have experienced rape or attempted rape during their lifetime, and women aged 18-24 are at higher risk than at other times of their lives.

Acquaintance rape is the most prevalent form of rape on college campuses. More than 90 percent of campus rapes are committed by dates, friends, acquaintances, or friends of friends. Regardless of the relationship, engaging in sexual activity without consent is sexual assault. Someone who is incapacitated by drugs or alcohol is unable to consent. Recording sexual activity without permission is sexual exploitation. These violations of Furman's Sexual Misconduct Policy can lead to suspension or expulsion, as well as criminal prosecution.

Furman's Sexual Misconduct Policy defines consent and various types of sexual misconduct and can be found here: furman.edu/titleix. Furman educates students and employees throughout the year on issues related to sexual violence and sexual harassment and organizes and promotes prevention and awareness initiatives. Your student will complete an online tutorial about consent and sexual misconduct this summer. Talking early and often about consent is important, and we encourage you to talk openly with your student this summer about communication, respect, and the importance of making sure they have consent for any sexual activity.

In an effort to create an atmosphere that encourages students to report incidents of sexual violence and sexual harassment, Furman educates the campus community about the process for reporting concerns. Those who bring forward a report are offered services, accommodations, and support, and are provided information about their options.



### **ONLINE RESOURCES FOR FAMILIES AND STUDENTS**

Adult Children of Alcoholics - adultchildren.org

Alcoholics Anonymous - aa.org

FAVOR (Faces and Voices of Recovery) - favorsc.org

Furman University Alcohol and Drug Programs - furman.edu/student-life/alcohol-drug-education

Furman University Counseling Center - furman.edu/counseling-center

Furman University Housing and Residence Life - furman.edu/campus-life/housing-residence-life

MADD, The Power of Parents - madd.org

National Institute on Drug Abuse - nida.nih.gov

The Phoenix Center - phoenixcenter.org

Prevention Research Institute - primeforlife.org

SHARP - Sexual Harassment and Rape Prevention - furman.edu/title-ix/resources/sharp

Greenville Transitions - greenvilletransitionsrecoverycenter.com

#### TO CONTACT ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Alcohol and Drug Education and Prevention
Office of Spiritual Life
Counseling Center
864.294.2202
864.294.2133
864.294.3031

Furman University Police 864.294.2111
Earle Student Health Center Housing and Residence Life 864.294.2092

Student Life **864.294.2202** 

Student Success Coordinator 864.294.2202

Title IX Coordinator **864.294.2221** 

# FURMAN STUDENTS ARE MAKING LOW-RISK CHOICES!

25% of Furman students indicated they do not use alcohol.

70% of Furman students indicated they do not use marijuana.

92.4% of Furman students indicated they do not use an illegal drug other than marijuana.

#### NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES EXPERIENCED WITHIN THE PAST YEAR:

Been arrested for a DUI .1%

Been in trouble with police or college authorities 8.8%

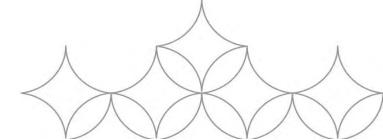
Damaged property, pulled fire alarms, etc. 3.3%

Driven a car while under the influence 6.3%

Got into an argument or fight 17.1%

For questions concerning this brochure, please contact Stephanie Boyd, Associate Dean of Student Success & Wellbeing, at **864.294.2202** or

stephanie.boyd@furman.edu





#### Alcohol and Drug Education Programs

Furman University 3300 Poinsett Highway Greenville, SC 29613



**FAVOR** (Faces And Voices Of Recovery) Greenville provides an innovative response to the suffering caused by addiction for over 5,000 new individuals each year in Upstate South Carolina.

REBUILDING LIVES EMPOWERING FAMILIES, CHANGING THE WORLD.

#### Some services:

- All Recovery Meetings
- Individual Recovery Coaching
- Other Recovery Meetings
- AIR (Adventures In Recovery)
- Family Recovery Meetings

- Family Recovery Coaching
- Family Interventions
- SOS (Significant Others Support Group)
- FORCE (FAVOR Overdose Recovery Coaching Evaluation)

Operation Rescue: a 24-hour free confidential hotline: 864.430.1802 FAVOR Greenville, 355 Woodruff Road, Suite 303, Greenville, SC 29607, 864.385.7757

**Greenville Transitions** provides clinical services to those looking to overcome addiction and build a better life. You don't have to do it alone. They are there to help whenever you are ready.

HELP YOU CHOOSE A LIFE PATH CONDUCIVE TO A SUCCESSFUL, SOBER FUTURE.

They offer a variety of services to ensure the right level of care for you:

- Partial Hospitalization Program
- Intensive Outpatient Program
- Outpatient Program
- Individual Therapy

- Family Therapy
- Family Group
- Adventure Therapy
- Medication Management

Greenville Transitions Recovery Center, 25 Sweetbriar Rd, Suite A4, Greenville, SC 29615, 864.404.6534

The Phoenix Center located at 1400 Cleveland Street in Greenville is the legislated authority on substance abuse in Greenville County by South Carolina Act 301 and is the county's largest provider of substance abuse services. At the Phoenix Center, effective and confidential client care is the first priority. With a dedicated staff and innovative programs, the Phoenix Center takes a proactive approach to fighting alcohol and other drug addictions. The Phoenix Center believes that substance abuse is preventable, addiction is treatable, and recovery works and offers an extensive range of services to meet the ever-changing needs of the community.

The Phoenix Center, PO Box 1948, Greenville, SC 29602, 864.467.3790