

**Section Three—Business Services
Governance Processes Relative to the
District Board Policy Manual
and Collegial Consultation
With Academic Senates**

Employ the Process of Mutual Agreement

Policies: None

Procedures: None

Appendices: None

Rely Primarily Upon the Advice and Judgment

Policies: [3A1](#) (re: Budget Development)
[3A1A6](#) (re: Budget Development)

Procedures: None

Appendices: None

Proposed Addition to
Kern Community College District Board Policy Manual
Section Three – Business Services

Governance Process: Information Only

Reason for Revision: To Establish District Procedure

Introduction:

It is the ~~commitment~~ Intent of Bakersfield College to provide and maintain an environment that is conducive to the health and safety of its students, employees, and visitors. In light this and the findings of the U.S. Surgeon General that the use of tobacco and exposure to secondhand smoke pose significant health hazards, as provided in District Policy 3B1H, Bakersfield College has established a smoke, vapor and tobacco-free environment to be initiated spring 2016.

Bakersfield College shall make available to employees and students a current referral list of smoking cessation programs and other information of literature on the subject of smoking that may assist individuals who wish to stop using tobacco products. Such information shall be available in the health services office on any of the college campuses.

The use and/or sale of tobacco products will be prohibited on all property and in all indoor and outdoor spaces owned, leased, licensed, or otherwise controlled by Bakersfield College, and in all District owned vehicles assigned to Bakersfield College. All use of electronic smoking devices, hookahs and tobacco products is specifically prohibited. Smoking is also prohibited.

Definitions:

- a. “Electronic Smoking Device” means any product containing or delivering nicotine or any other substance intended for human consumption that can be used by a person to simulate smoking through inhalation of vapor or aerosol from the product. The term includes any device, whether manufactured, distributed, marketed, or sold as a 3-cigarette, e-cigar, e-pipe, e-hookah, vape pen, or under any other product name or descriptor.

- b. "Hookah" means a water pipe and any associated products and devices which are used to produce fumes, smoke, and/or vapor from the burning of material including, but not limited to, tobacco, shisha, or other plant matter.
- c. "Smoking" means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, or pipe, or any other lighted or heated tobacco or plant product intended for inhalation, including hookahs and marijuana, whether natural or synthetic, in any manner or in any form. "Smoking" also includes the use of an electronic smoking device which creates an aerosol or vapor, in any manner or in any form, or the use of any oral smoking device for the purpose of circumventing the prohibition of smoking in this policy.
- d. "Tobacco Product" means any substance containing tobacco leaf, including but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, hookah tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, dipping tobacco, bidi cigarettes, blunts, clove cigarettes, or any other preparation of tobacco; and any product or formulation of matter containing biologically active amounts of nicotine that is manufactured, sold, offered for sale, or otherwise distributed with the expectation that the product or matter will be introduced into the human body by inhalation; but not include cessation products specifically approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in treating nicotine or tobacco dependence.

Implementation:

Implementation of the tobacco-free policy will be spring semester 2016.

Prohibited Conduct

The following Restrictions regarding tobacco use will be effective starting Spring Semester 2016:

- i. All use of electronic smoking devices, hookahs and tobacco products is prohibited on all Bakersfield College property.
- ii. All use of electronic smoking devices, hookahs and tobacco products is prohibited in all District-owned vehicles assigned to Bakersfield College.
- iii. Tobacco products will not be sold on Bakersfield College property.