

KENNEBEC VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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TOBACCO POLICY

Kennebec Valley Community College is a tobacco-free campus.

The use of tobacco products or any object or device intended to simulate that use, including electronic cigarettes, on campus is strictly prohibited, except within the confines of personal vehicles. The sale, distribution or advertisement of tobacco products is prohibited.

The intent of this Tobacco Policy is to: eliminate exposure to second-hand smoke, provide an environment supportive of tobacco-free lifestyles, eliminate the risk of accidental fire, eliminate the health risks associated with expectoration from smokeless tobacco, and eliminate the environmental impact of cigarette litter.

Kennebec Valley Community College (KVCC) joins with the American College Health Association (ACHA) in supporting the findings of the Surgeon General that tobacco use in any form, active and passive, is a significant health hazard. KVCC further recognizes that second-hand smoke has been classified as a Group A carcinogen by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. KVCC acknowledges the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) statistics that 70% of all smokers report that they want to quit smoking completely.