



Drug-Free Schools and Campuses Regulations Biennial Review:
2020 and 2021

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Introduction

Fox Valley Technical College (FVTC) supports the goals and policies of a drug and alcohol-free educational environment and workplace and is committed to providing students, faculty, staff, and visitors a safe and healthy campus and workplace. FVTC recognizes the health risks associated with controlled substance use and alcohol misuse and is committed to supporting students and employees who seek treatment for these issues. FVTC also recognizes that controlled substance use and alcohol misuse diminish workplace productivity, student learning and presents concerns for overall campus safety

The Drug Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) requires that Fox Valley Technical College create and execute a drug and alcohol-free prevention program to prevent unlawful possession, use, and/or distribution of any narcotics or alcohol on campus or at any campus event. In addition, we are to conduct a biennial review for the College to measure its effectiveness of prevention and intervention strategies and confirm that disciplinary actions are being handled consistently.

This report was prepared in collaboration with partners across our college and respectfully submitted for general reference.



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Biennial Review Process

The biennial review covers the period of January 1, 2020, through December 31, 2021. The review is conducted by Mike Steger, Licensed Professional Counselor and Substance Abuse Counselor at FVTC. Members participating in the review are William Green, Student Conduct Manager; Dan Squires, Manager of Counseling and Support Services; Kellie Stegath, Student Services Administrative Assistant; Derek Reiter, Security Services Manager; Nathan Kafka, Interim Student Life Manager; Terleen Cheslock, Strategic Human Resources Manager; and Hannah Westfahl, Strategic Human Resources Manager.

Drug and Alcohol information for employees and students can be found

[Drug and Alcohol Free Campus and Workplace](#)

Annual Policy Notification Process

Each year, the College is required to publish the Annual Security Report by October 1 in accordance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (The Clery Act).

Security Services take any crimes or threats against students, staff, and visitors to the campus very seriously. We consider the safety and security of all community members at Fox Valley Technical College our top priority. Security Services are trained to handle all types of situations and adhere to the highest standards to serve the community. We aggressively investigate reported crimes and behavioral issues, as well as avenues to support victims. Staff and students are strongly encouraged to report any suspicious and unlawful activity to our Security Services Office.

Below is a link to our 2020 Annual Security Report.

[2020 Annual Campus Security Report](#)

Prevalence Rate, Incidence Rate, Needs Assessment and Trend Data

Figure 1 shows the reported Drug and Alcohol related crimes on Fox Valley Technical College campuses during this reporting period. These statistics are updated on or before October 1 of each year for the previous 3 calendar years. Statistics are divided between the Appleton and Oshkosh campuses, Regional Centers, student housing facilities, non-campus properties, and public properties immediately adjacent to the campuses.

A written letter was mailed to all law enforcement agencies requesting crime information that occurred on college owned, leased, controlled, or rented properties. Not all the agencies could provide the statistics requested.

The Clery Act requires the College to report all crime statistics from Tech Village student housing in both the Tech Village student housing column as well as the main campus column.

Offense	Year	On-Campus Property	Student Residential Housing	Public Property
Arrests: Drug Abuse Violations	2018	1	1	0
	2019	3	3	0
	2020	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Drug Abuse Violations	2018	1	1	0
	2019	3	3	0
	2020	0	0	0
Arrests: Liquor Law Violations	2018	0	0	0
	2019	4	4	0
	2020	0	0	0
Disciplinary Referrals: Liquor Law Violations	2018	31	30	0
	2019	18	15	0
	2020	7	7	0
Fatalities:	2018	0	0	0
	2019	0	0	0
	2020	0	0	0

Figure 1

The Behavioral Intervention Team has been in existence at the College since 2009. Originally, the team was comprised of staff from Security Services, Counseling Services, and Student Life. In 2011, it was expanded to include representatives from Counseling Services, Faculty, Educational Support Services, Management, Diversity and Inclusion Services, and Student Life. This group meets on a weekly basis and if there is an emergency.

The purpose of this team is to provide a cross-functional, multidisciplinary point of contact for members of the college community who have encountered student behavior that they perceive as aberrant, threatening, or dangerous. The team aims to track "red flags" in student behavior to identify individual or group behavior patterns, or disturbances. The cross-functional team will then investigate, perform a threat assessment, and determine the best ways to support and/or

intervene. The purpose is to promote the success of individual students, as well as the overall safety of the campus community. The team will act promptly to follow-up with the individual initiating the report and determine a plan of action.

Actions taken by the team could include the following:

- Assisting faculty with appropriate intervention strategies
- Assist in writing a Behavioral Success Plan
- Provide resources for students and staff
- Make recommendations for drug and alcohol education
- Connect with community-based services to assist the student

Fox Valley Technical College maintains internal processes specific to alcohol and drug issues with staff. However, we currently do not track instances for staff. They are handled on a case by cases basis with outcomes specific to the staff member and the situation associated with it.

Policy, Enforcement & Compliance

Policy

Fox Valley Technical College supports the goals and policies of a drug and alcohol-free educational environment and workplace and is committed to providing students, faculty, staff, and visitors a safe and healthy campus and workplace. FVTC recognizes the health risks associated with controlled substance use and alcohol misuse and is committed to supporting students and employees who seek treatment for these issues. FVTC also recognizes that controlled substance use and alcohol misuse diminish workplace productivity, student learning and presents concerns for overall Security Services.

The provisions of this policy are intended to comply with applicable state and federal laws including, but not limited to, the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

The following conduct is prohibited:

- **Alcohol** - Using, selling, manufacturing, distributing, possessing, storing, dispensing, or being under the influence of alcohol on college owned or leased facilities, including grounds, as part of any College-related activity, except as authorized under college policy. Limited alcohol service for community social events held at college facilities can be provided with prior authorization by the President. The unlawful sale, use, and possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

- **Controlled Substances** – Using, selling, manufacturing, distributing, possessing, storing, dispensing, or being under the influence of controlled substances on college owned or leased facilities, including grounds. Unlawful possession, use, sale, or distribution of controlled substances, illicit drugs, or alcohol by any student, employee, or vendor on college property or at any College-sponsored activity is prohibited. Controlled substances refer to any drug or substance that is legally prohibited including, but not limited to, marijuana (THC), cocaine, opiates, phencyclidine (PCP), amphetamines (including methamphetamines).

- **Other Misconduct** – Any other conduct that the College determines to be inconsistent with providing a drug and alcohol-free campus and workplace. Employees will, as a condition of employment, abide by the terms of this policy and report any conviction under a criminal drug statute for violations occurring on or off the College premises while conducting College business. A report of a conviction must be made within five (5) days after the conviction to the immediate supervisor, as required by the Federal Drug Free Workplace Act. The College will notify the appropriate Federal agency as required under the Drug-Free Workplace Act of any reported convictions of employees as identified above on a timely basis. Any violations of this policy related to faculty or staff will be referred to Human Resources and any violations related to students will be referred to Security Services for appropriate follow up and action.

The policy may be accessed online at <https://www.fvtc.edu/MyFVTC>, tab Student Forms & Policies, Policies and Procedures and Drug & Alcohol-Free Campus and Workplace.

Student Enforcement

Local, state, and federal law enforcement has primary responsibility for the enforcement of State underage drinking laws as well as the enforcement of Federal and State drug laws.

The following remedies and sanctions may be imposed where students have been found responsible for violation of the Drug and Alcohol-Free Campus and Workplace Policy and the Fox Valley Technical College Code of Conduct.

- 1. Warning** - An official written notice that the student has violated Fox Valley Technical College policies and/or rules and that more severe conduct action will result should the student be involved in other violations while the student is enrolled at FVTC.
- 2. Counseling Referral**- A referral to FVTC Counseling resources to assess challenges associated with chemical use, process through personal concerns, and discuss additional resources that may be needed. Students who may have needs best addressed by community partners may be issued referrals to community agencies.
- 3. Community Services** – Remanding students to complete activities in the Community under a restorative justice model.
- 4. Behavior Probation** - Notices that further violation of this Code may result in suspension from Fox Valley Technical College, a specific program or Division. In addition, the decision may place some additional restrictions on membership in student organizations and/or participation in activities or may establish special restitution or service requirements.
- 5. Fox Valley Technical College Suspension** - Separation from Fox Valley Technical College for a specified minimum period, after which the student is eligible to return. Eligibility may be contingent upon satisfaction of specific conditions noted at time of suspension. During the suspension period, the student is banned from college property, functions, events and activities without prior written approval from the Manager-Student Conduct. This sanction may be enforced with a trespass action if necessary.
- 6. Facilities Restriction** - Revocation or restriction of privileges for the use of some but not all College facilities
- 7. Fox Valley Technical College Expulsion** - Permanent separation from Fox Valley Technical College. The student is banned from college property and the student's presence at any Fox Valley Technical College-sponsored activity or event is prohibited. This action may be enforced with a trespass action as necessary.
- 8. Other Educational Resources as Deemed Appropriate by the Conduct Manager**

Additional remedies may include referral of the student responsible to alcohol and drug abuse counseling or support services located at Fox Valley Technical College or in the general community.

Wisconsin State Statutes recognize that drug and alcohol abuse can be serious criminal offenses. It is important for all members of the college to understand how these offenses are defined in law, and to be aware of the penalties. Listed below are two relevant Wisconsin Statutes governing drug and alcohol use. Detailed information is located on the Wisconsin State Legislature home web page at <https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/961/IV/41>.

- Chapter 961 – regulates illegal drug use and controlled substances and outlines specific penalties for violating the statute.
- Chapter 125 – regulates illegal use of alcoholic beverages and outlines specific penalties for violating the statute.

For Federal Statutes please reference the following link:

- https://www.dea.gov/sites/default/files/2020-04/Drugs%20of%20Abuse%202020-Web%20Version-508%20compliant-4-24-20_0.pdf

More resource links can be found in the Appendix.

Employee Enforcement

Drug or alcohol situations that involve employees are handled on a case-by-case basis. The situation is assessed by focusing on providing well-being resources and support. Human Resources would conduct check-in with the employee and manager to continue support. If behavior continues, the situation will be reevaluated for the next steps.

Compliance

In compliance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act, the College publishes information regarding the College's educational programs related to drug and alcohol abuse prevention, sanctions for violations, and a description of health risks associated with alcohol and other drug use. FVTC provides a description of available treatment programs for Fox Valley Technical College students and employees. These cases are referred to the Student Conduct Manager, AODA Counselor, and Human Resources.

Programs and Interventions

Fox Valley Technical College offers services to both educate and intervene with students regarding drug and alcohol use. Prevention strategies aim to provide psychoeducation to students to encourage healthy lifestyle choices, abstinence from illicit chemicals, and responsible use of alcohol. Intervention strategies provide relapse prevention and substance use disorder education. If ongoing or more intensive services are needed a student will be referred to a community provider.

Prevention Strategies

- Lunch and Learn (Self-help services)
 - Generally offered to students and staff population with emphasis on Alcohol and Drug usage.
- Pre-recorded videos focusing on mental health coping skills
 - Relapse prevention for students who have a current addiction challenge.
 - Videos available on student learning platform, Blackboard, and college social media sties.
- Tech Village Housing (available to FVTC Students)
 - Deliver Alcohol and Drug presentations each semester
- Classroom Alcohol and Drug presentations each semester
- AODA Counselor presence at Wellness Events
- EAP (Employee Assistance Program)

Intervention Strategies

- Offer .5 services: Relapse Prevention or AOD education sessions
 - Assessment/Screen
 - Barriers and challenges
 - Trends and behavior patterns
 - Recommendations
 - Psychoeducation
 - Support
- Linkage: Assess and refer services

Biennial Goals and Objectives and Achievement

The review team have outlined the goals, objectives and achievements to keep us on track as we continue our efforts in college safety measures.

Achievements

- Expanded the DFSA Committee to include members of our Security, Student Life, Conduct, Human Resources, Counseling, and Executive Leadership Teams.
- Continued to offer the Lifeline Assistance Program through Counseling and Advising Services.
 - This program is designed for students to receive free individual counseling for issues such as: alcohol and other drug use, codependency, and smoking cessation.
 - This program includes a full-time counselor specialized in alcohol and other drug use, committed to students or staff who need individual counseling.
 - Included in this program, are opportunities for individuals to participate in group sessions such as “Lunch & Learn” specific to alcohol and drug prevention and intervention strategies facilitated by the counselor
- Conducted six trainings on Motivational Interviewing for staff members over the last two years. Delivered sessions on Mental Health First Aid and Question, Persuade, Refer training.
- Created procedures in working with the Conduct Office to refer students to AODA services.

Student Goal and Objective

- Continue to encourage students to contact Counseling & Advising Services for assistance with any alcohol or drug related concerns or struggles.
- Work with our community partners to invite guest speakers to share alcohol and drug related experiences.
- Provide incentives to generate more participation to increase awareness and lessen stigmas.

College Goal and Objective

- Develop baselines in prevention and intervention measures for individual and group participation.
 - Lifeline now has a unique comment code to assist us in monitoring usage of services. During the last Biennium, five students utilized smoking cessation services and two referrals were made to the staff Counselor related to AODA violations.
- Develop new training programs that outline current drug and alcohol statistics along with providing coping skills to use in place of drug and alcohol usage.
- Expand our website presence to include visual aids about our alcohol and drug use support services.
- Continue to review our policies and communicate the scope of any changes where necessary.

AOD SWOT Analysis

During the period of the biennium, the DFSA committee met to review, revise, and enhance institutional planning for Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug policies and programs. Utilizing a SWOT (Strengths /Weaknesses /Opportunities /Threats) framework, the planning efforts resulted in significant changes.

Policy Review

- Strengths
 - Policies do address campus stance of substance use.
 - Reflects the differences between primarily residential campus environment and our technical college.
- Weaknesses
 - The College is recommended to integrate travel policies to consistently cover the same level of permissible activities/behaviors around alcohol use.
- Opportunities
 - The college recommended creating a review team to examine travel policies and adopt a uniform policy to address staff and student behavior related to alcohol use when traveling on official college business.
- Threats
 - No threats identified at this time. The committee will continue to review.

Program/Intervention Review

- Strengths
 - Offering smoking cessation assistance to students.
 - Provision of free consultation services with a licensed Substance Abuse Counselor.
 - Student life offers numerous student experiences without alcohol present.
- Weaknesses
 - Signage and policies needing to be updated (i.e. smoking signage to also address vaping)
 - Services available to students are limited to .5 services (Education).
 - Cultural focus missing from overall strategy. Some of our International students may not have a thorough understanding of alcohol use practices and policies at the College.
 - We have a limited presence within on-campus housing.
 - Unclear message within the college about what services can be administered through Counseling & Advising specific to AODA issues.
- Opportunities
 - College wide educational campaign on AODA campus policies.
 - Explore offering 1.0, outpatient services to students without mandated services requirements.
 - Build interventions focused on a population of students who are operating under diverse cultural norms. Develop a strategy to align expectations.
 - Examine other practices from WTCS Colleges around substance use prevention and intervention with staff and faculty.
 - Strengthen connections with Tech Village to support policies to decrease substance use/abuse.
 - Link in AODA faculty as resources and stakeholders.
 - Develop data collection process to better understand substance use amongst our student population.
- Threats
 - Increasing service utilization may require additional capacity. We will continue to monitor and make appropriate recommendations as needed.

Goals, Metrics, and Recommendations for next Biennium

Goals

- Create a marketing strategy to clarify and promote resources offered through FVTC Counseling to include updating information on our webpage and speaking directly to Departments about resources available on campus.
- Examine recommendations around increase of service offerings from .5 (Education) to 1.0 (1:1 Counseling).
- Creating presentations on substance abuse to educate faculty and staff.
- Continue to develop a relationship with campus housing to include Resident Assistant training each year on signs of intoxication, resources, and referrals.

Recommendations

- Consider aligning efforts with the SUDC program to promote healthy messages around AODA issues and building events that provide education to the campus community.
- Review opportunities and risks in offering 1.0 (1:1 Counseling) services for students through FVTC Counseling
- Examine the viability of developing a Recovery Community at FVTC.
- Explore the option to bring Naloxone training for the Campus Community.

Conclusion

Fox Valley Technical College is recognized for serving approx. 50,000 students annually, most within the state of Wisconsin under the WTCS (Wisconsin Technical College System). The College takes pride in the importance placed on the wellness and safety of our students and staff. The College works diligently to create an environment that is welcoming to all students and staff regardless of their diverse cultures, backgrounds, barriers, and aspirations. Alcohol and drug use are a widespread problem throughout the state and other campuses alike. In our efforts to continuously work to decrease the number of alcohol and drug use occurrences, we understand the long-term work that lies ahead as we develop new strategies and approaches.

Fox Valley Technical College has achieved deliverables around student and staff safety and will continue to implement new processes as we work towards an Alcohol and Drug Free Campus. Some deliverables are:

- Recruit and hire new Conduct Manager (2021)
 - Include Conduct Manager in evaluation and discussion of DFSA initiatives.
- Build relationships and processes specific to student housing to better identify and serve students who violate substance abuse policies or are self-identifying as needing assistance.

With these collaborative measures in place, Fox Valley Technical College is moving in the right direction to keep our students and staff supported and safe. As mentioned above, this is an ongoing and ever evolving initiative that needs constant review and scrutiny so we can make the necessary adjustments to ensure our staff and students are safe and healthy.

APPENDIX

U.S. Dept of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration

[Drugs of Abuse, A DEA Resource Guide \(2020 Edition\)](#)

Wisconsin Drug Trafficking Laws and Consequences

<https://www.grgblaw.com/wisconsin-trial-lawyers/wisconsin-drug-trafficking-laws-and-consequences>

Wisconsin State Legislature Offenses & Penalties

<https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/961/IV/41>

Prevention with Purpose Planning Guide for Preventing Drug Misuse Among College Students

<https://www.dea.gov/documents/2020/2020-01/2020-01-01/prevention-purpose>

The consequences of Not Complying or providing a DAAP

<https://www.insidehighered.com/views/2019/02/18/colleges-are-facing-more-consequences-not-complying-drug-free-schools-and>