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### Board Policy 5.18 Alcoholic Beverages or Controlled Substances on Campus

#### Part 1. Purpose

The Board of Trustees requires that any college or university using alcohol and/or controlled substances must be in compliance with this policy.

#### Part 2. Compliance with Federal Law

In order to comply with federal law, including, but not limited to, the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (34 CFR Part 86), the Drug-Free Workplace Act (34 CFR Part 85) and the Clery Act, Minnesota State colleges and universities and the system office will adopt and implement a policy which is designed to prevent abuse of alcohol and the use of controlled substances.

#### Part 3. Compliance with State Law

Minnesota State prohibits unlawful use, possession, production, manufacture, and distribution of alcohol and other drugs and controlled substances.

#### Part 4. Applicable Locations

Except as provided in this policy, unlawful use, possession, production, manufacture, and distribution of alcohol and other drugs and controlled substances at Minnesota State colleges and universities and institution-sponsored events on or off campus is prohibited.

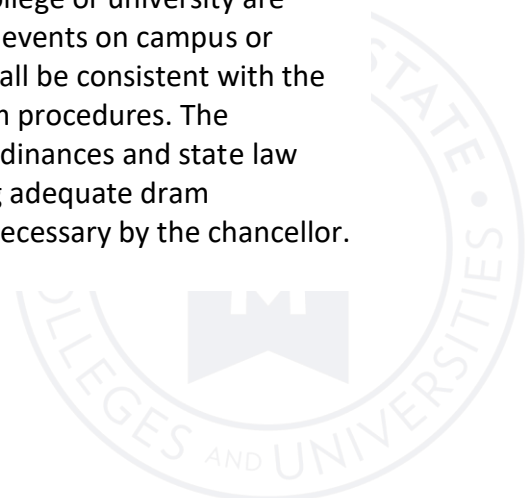
#### Part 5. Exception for Instructional Purposes

Use or possession of alcohol in laboratory and classroom instruction, research or approved academic programs is not prohibited.

#### Part 6. Responsibilities

##### Subpart A. Approver Responsibilities

The chancellor for the system office and the president for the college or university are delegated authority to approve use of alcohol at specific special events on campus or college- or university-sponsored events off campus. Approval shall be consistent with the system office or campus drug and alcohol policy and with system procedures. The procedures shall address the following: compliance with local ordinances and state law relating to sale, possession or consumption of alcohol; providing adequate dram shop/public liability insurance; and any other matters deemed necessary by the chancellor.



### **Subpart B. Requestor Responsibilities**

The individual or group seeking to use alcohol at specific special events on campus or college- or university-sponsored events off campus must obtain advance approval from the chancellor or appropriate college or university president.

### **Part 7. Accountability/Reporting**

Records regarding approval of the use of alcohol at specific events must be maintained by the college or university in accordance with approved records retention schedules.

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#### **Related Documents:**

- **System Procedure 5.18.1** Alcohol or Controlled Substances Use Procedure
- **System Procedure 5.18.2** Approval Check List

To view any of the following related statutes, go to the Revisor's Office website. You can conduct a search from this site by typing in the statute number.

- [Minn. Stat. Chapter 340A, Alcohol](#)

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#### **Policy History:**

<b>Date of Adoption:</b>	06/21/00
<b>Date of Implementation:</b>	06/21/00
<b>Last Date of Review:</b>	04/16/25

#### **Date & Subject of Amendment:**

04/16/25 – Full Review. Format and Style changes. The amendment acknowledges tailgating and campus-owned liquor licenses. It also clarifies that Marijuana remains a prohibited controlled substance despite recent changes in State law.

11/26/12 - Policy 5.18 was reviewed. No changes were recommended.

11/16/11 - Effective 1/1/12, the Board of Trustees amends all board policies to change the term "Office of the Chancellor" to "system office," and to make necessary related grammatical changes.

06/18/03 - changes "MnSCU" to "Minnesota State Colleges and Universities", changes "system office" to "office of the chancellor"

06/21/00 - Contains language formerly in Board policy 1A.9; Added Part 2, Responsibilities and Part 3, Accountability /Reporting.

No additional HISTORY.