



## **519 POLICY – Marijuana on Campus**

### **519.1 Statement of Policy**

Despite the passage of State Question 788, the use, possession, sale, or distribution of marijuana (including medical marijuana and products containing marijuana) on any College-owned or controlled property is illegal and against Redlands Community College guidelines. Specifically, possession or use (including smoking or consuming) marijuana is not allowed on any Redlands Community College property (including Redlands Community College parking lots) or at College-sponsored activities. Additionally, you may not come to class or work under the influence.

### **519.2 State Question 788**

On June 26, 2018, Oklahoma voters approved State Question 788 that permits persons 18 years of age and older, who possess a state-issued medical marijuana license, to possess three ounces of marijuana on their person, and regulates the personal and commercial cultivation, product manufacturing facilities, and retail sales outlets. The Oklahoma Department of Health is working on specific regulations required in the new law. The law does not allow for public use of marijuana and local governments may choose to enact local regulations to this effect.

### **519.3 Federal Law and How it Affects Redlands Students and Employees**

Although State Question 788 passed in Oklahoma, the possession and use of marijuana is still prohibited under federal law. Redlands Community College students and employees should understand that possessing, using or selling marijuana continues to be prohibited on any Redlands Community College campus or other College-owned or controlled property, which includes any function authorized or supervised by the College and in state-owned or leased vehicles. As a federally controlled substance, the use and possession of marijuana is prohibited by the Controlled Substance Act, Redlands Community College policy, and the Redlands Community College Student Code of Conduct, and is not permitted on campus. This includes medical marijuana and any product containing marijuana regardless of possession of a medical marijuana license.

Additionally, as a college that receives federal funding, Redlands Community College must abide by the federal Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989 (Redlands Community College Policy 505) and prohibit the use of marijuana. Redlands Community College must also abide by the federal Drug Free Workplace Act, which



prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, possession and use of illicit drugs and alcohol in the workplace. This includes medical marijuana.

#### **519.4 Redlands Community College Student Code of Conduct**

Redlands Community College has a list of Student Conduct Code Violations listed in the Student Handbook under the section Student Conduct Code – Policy. Drug and Alcohol is listed as a violation in this Student Handbook. “Drugs and Alcohol: Any violation of the Redlands Drug and Alcohol Policy as set forth in Redlands Policy 505 Drug-Free Schools and Communities and Redlands Policy 514 Alcoholic Beverages, or the administrative procedures implementing those policies.”

#### **519.5 Disciplinary Actions**

It is illegal to use, be under the influence, manufacture, possess, cultivate, distribute, purchase, or sell any alcohol and/or drugs (illegal and/or dangerous or controlled substance, including marijuana) and/or any drug paraphernalia while on college-owned or college-controlled property, and/or at any function authorized or supervised by the college and/or in state-owned or leased vehicles.

Violations of this policy are considered serious infractions. Individuals who violate this policy shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary actions. Student disciplinary actions may include warnings, probation, restrictions, suspension or expulsion. Employee disciplinary actions may include warnings, probation, restrictions, suspension, demotion, or termination.

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**519 PROCEDURE – Marijuana on Campus**

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