

Scottsdale Community College A Maricopa Community College

2022 and 2023 Biennial Review

Alcohol and Other Drug Programs (AOD)

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Preface

The Drug Free Schools and Campuses Regulations (34 CFR Part 86) of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act (DFSCA) require an institution of higher education (IHE) to certify it has adopted and implemented programs to prevent the abuse of alcohol and use or distribution of illicit drugs both by Scottsdale Community College (SCC) students and employees both on its premises and as a part of any of its activities. At a minimum, each institution of higher education must annually distribute the following in writing to all students and employees:

- Standards of conduct that clearly prohibit the unlawful possession, use or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees
- A description of the legal sanctions under local, state, or federal law for the unlawful possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol
- A description of any drug or alcohol counseling, treatment, rehabilitation, or re-entry programs that are available to students or employees
- A clear statement that the institution will impose sanctions on students and employees and a description of those sanctions, up to and including expulsion or termination of employment and referral for prosecution, for violations of the standards of conduct

The law further requires that the institution conduct a biennial review of its program with the following objectives: (1) determining the effectiveness of the policy and implementing changes to the Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) program if they are needed; and (2) to ensure that the sanctions developed are enforced consistently.

The biennial review must also include a determination as to: (1) the number of drug- and alcohol-related violations and fatalities occurring on the campus or as part of their activities that are reported to campus officials; and (2) the number and type of sanctions the IHEs impose on students or employees as a result of such violations or fatalities.

SCC, a college of Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD), acknowledges its legal obligation to conduct a biennial review of compliance with the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act and authorized an administrative review to be conducted to determine if the College fulfills the requirements of the aforementioned Federal regulations.

Dr. Damita Kaloostian, Vice President of Student Affairs, formed a committee to complete the review process. The members of the review committee include:

- Dr. Michael Mader, Manager of Student Conduct
- Police Commander Arlyn Walz, College Police
- Ramona Santiesteban, Chair of Counseling Department
- Stacie Beck, Director of Financial Aid

The intent of this document is to:

1. Meet the legal requirement of conducting a biennial review.
2. Review and summarize the programs and activities related to alcohol and drug prevention from 2022-2023.

A. Descriptions of the AOD program elements.

Alcohol-Free Events

As stated in the Abuse-Free Environment, AR 2.4.7, Maricopa Community Colleges closely aligns with the Drug-Free School and Communities Act of 1989 and other relevant substance abuse laws. As a college of the Maricopa County Community College District, SCC upholds all federal, state, and District laws and policies limiting or restricting drug and alcohol use and abuse on campus. Listed below are the MCCCD

Administrative Regulations which address an Abuse-Free Environment and the Use of Alcoholic Beverages:

- AR 2.4.7 – Abuse-Free Environment – district.maricopa.edu/regulations/admin-regs/section-2/2-4
- AR 4.13 – Use of Alcoholic Beverages – district.maricopa.edu/regulations/admin-regs/section-4/4-13
- 2.5.2 – Student Code of Conduct – district.maricopa.edu/regulations/admin-regs/section-2/2-5
- Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Code of Ordinances, Chapter 14 – srpmic-nsn.gov/government/ordinances/

SCC offers a number of alcohol-free events and activities which are created and promoted throughout the campus by way of Facebook, Instagram, posters, emails,

fliers, information tables, college website, and classroom announcements. These activities and events include, but are not limited to:

- Welcome Week activities
- Student clubs and activities
- Commencement
- Council of Student Leaders events
- Building openings/dedications
- Wellness Events sponsored by the Fitness and Wellness Center and Counseling Department
- Artichoke Pride Week activities/events
- Athletic Events
- Service-learning experiences including but not limited to Artie Has Heart, ACeS' Days of Services
- Theater, Music, and Art events
- American Indian Program's Events and Programs

Creation of Service-learning or Volunteer Opportunities or Required Community Service Work

Service-learning opportunities are available to students through classroom/faculty participation. As of Fall 2022, faculty members had service-learning as part of their curriculum and 297 students participated. Additionally, the ACeS (Artie's Community for Service) student club and SCC's Honors Program promotes service to the community and campus through various projects, on- and off-campus. SCC Service-learning has over 50 community partners where students provide service on a regular basis.

Alcohol Free Campus Facilities

All campus spaces and facilities are alcohol and drug free in accordance with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989, Public Law 101-226, and comply with all federal, state, and local laws pertaining to controlled substances, including alcohol. All buildings and properties at SCC are alcohol and drug-free. The following, drug and alcohol-free spaces, are available for students to study or meet with friends when the college is physically open to the public. Hours are posted on the SCC website: <https://www.scottsdalecc.edu/>.

- Library
- Cafeteria
- Writing Center
- Social Behavioral Lab
- Lobby – SL
- NS Tutor Lab
- Student Tech Center
- Math/Science Lab
- Accounting and Statistics Lab

Nonalcoholic Beverages Promoted at Events

SCC is dedicated to entirely alcohol-free events and activities for students. No event makes any mention of or promotes alcohol or other drugs. SCC may serve alcohol at special events and activities for the community and college donors, but all vendor and permitting policies required by law are followed and non-alcoholic options are available. There were no such events during the 2022 and 2023 calendar years, and the last SCC-hosted event with alcohol was in 2018.

Normative Environments

SCC creates social and academic environments that promote healthy lifestyles.

Pro-health Messages Publicized on Campus

- Messages for Health, Wellness, Nutrition, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance appear on the SCC Homepage and via the college's daily newsletter, The Buzz. These messages encourage students, staff, and faculty to enroll in classes and engage in activities that promote health and nutrition.
- Fitness and Wellness Center provides information regarding fitness, nutrition, exercise, and smoking cessation at the majority of campus events.
- Fitness and Wellness Center partners with HonorHealth to provide health assessments to employees (on a yearly basis).
- SCC employees receive tuition waivers and are able to utilize the Fitness and Wellness Center for \$25.00/semester.
- Messages promoting healthy ways of living are posted in the *Daily John* flyers (posted on the back of bathroom stall doors on campus) and The Buzz.
- Counseling Services offers a variety of free wellbeing workshops throughout the academic year. Wellbeing information is provided on the Counseling Services website as well as mental health, domestic and sexual violence, and basic needs resources. There is a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration information and treatment locator that can be found at the Drug Awareness, Addiction and Recovery page: <https://www.scottsdalecc.edu/students/counseling/drug-awareness-addiction-and-recovery>.
- CRE 101/ENG 102 (linked) teach competencies using topics of sexual harassment/assault, bystander intervention/behavior, use of alcohol/drugs in college.

Academic Standards

- Academic Support available in Writing Center, Social Behavioral Lab, Accounting Lab, CIS Lab, Math/Science Tutor Center, Disability Resource Tutor Lab, Athletics, and Library
- Honor's Contracts

- Math, Chemistry, Physics, CIS use standard exams
- Use of “engaged” pedagogy – not lecture style formats
- Use of Peer Assistance Review (PAR) process for new residential faculty (faculty engaging in professional development projects to inform/improve their profession)
- Use of Student Learning Outcomes and other assessments at course, program, department, division level
- Undergraduate research in Math, Science, Engineering continues to grow

Faculty Encouraged to Engage in Higher Level Contact with Students

- Robust Service-Learning programs: since 2022, 1588 SCC students have registered for our Service-Learning Canvas course where they can select classes and events to join.
- Nineteen faculty members serve as Club Advisors
- Undergraduate research in Math, Science, and Engineering
- Faculty participation in Department specific events and Artie’s Welcome (New Student Orientations)

Student Affairs Programming and Student Leadership Promotes Positive, Healthy Norms

- Council of Student Leaders (CSL) has hosted and/or participated in the following:
 - Artichoke Spirit Week activities including Artie Has Heart Walk, Food Distribution Days, SCC Gives Back Days and Parada del Sol. All events have a focus on positive and healthy norms.
- Artie the Artichoke mascot is generally represented by a student and is actively present at campus events such as Food Distribution Days and Artie Has Heart Walk Service-Learning event.
- CSL funding and support of club activities as described below:
 - Artie Be Nice Club continuously hosts events centered around positivity: They made cards for senior citizens living in assisted living community apartments, made Valentine's Day cards to hand out to staff and thank you cards to police officers, delivered Christmas presents to the Salt River Elementary School yesterday 12/13. Crafted Holiday cards and shared them with front line employees showing them appreciation for all their hard work. They also painted rocks with kind messages and collaborated with other clubs.
 - SCC ASID hosted the FALL KICK-OFF event. The event was a great success! They extended invitations to four other associations, IIDA, NKBA, ASID, NEWH, to represent interior design students, and we had an impressive turnout of approximately 33 engaged students. In support of SCC Spirit Week, ASID actively participated by sharing valuable insights on interior colors through "dos & don'ts" and “How to Choose Paint Colors” handouts. Additionally, they distributed Sherwin Williams 2024 color mini fan decks, all under the theme "Elevate Your Spirit with Interior Colors."

- Phi Theta Kappa hosted President Leshinskie where they all shared valuable stories and lessons. Students said sharing insights and perspectives with such a highly regarded leader was inspiring and beneficial.
 - SCC Fitness & Nutrition Club is actively involved in the Fall and Spring Club Fairs, SCC Fall and Spring Blood Drive, Food Distribution Days, and Artie Has Heart Walk
- The American Indian Program (AIP) serves as a cultural hub and resource center for our American Indian students. We foster a sense of belonging and community for all our students. The center also provides academic, social, cultural, and personal success activities to our American Indian students to ensure they are adequately prepared to persist to the next phase of their academic journey. AIP also offers scholarship opportunities explicitly for American Indian students in the areas of Indigenous Studies, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM), merit-based, and business-related programs. The program also oversees and promotes the Indigenous Student Association Club (ISA) through academic and student leadership initiatives that integrate cultural identity and awareness through student engagement events and activities that foster inclusivity, cultural rigor, and a sense of belonging.
 - Athletics: Student Athletes are referred to the Student Conduct Code which explicitly outlines alcohol and other drug policies and potential sanctions for violations.

Students have Opportunities to Advise and Mentor Peers

- Through clubs and organizations such as Women Rising and Male Empowerment Network (MEN).
- SCC continues to represent district-wide student issues as related to academic and personal success as well as promotion of healthy lifestyles through the Student Senator program.

Alcohol Availability

Alcohol is Banned or Restricted on Campus

Serving of alcoholic beverages is heavily restricted at SCC. During the time frame captured in this report, the college allowed alcohol on campus for the purpose of instruction in the Hospitality and Restaurant Management program. The instructor has taken the State of Arizona Liquor License Class, and the college holds liquor licenses from the State of Arizona and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. There are many restrictions on this very limited use of alcohol, and the course was held one time during 2022-2023. See Addendum for associated documentation. Outside of this highly regulated instructional setting, SCC

personnel are not permitted to purchase or transport alcohol. Administrative Regulation 4.13 and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Code of Ordinances, Section 14-25, prohibits the use of funds to purchase alcohol or use alcohol at college sponsored events. State law also regulates the service, sale, distribution, and consumption of alcoholic beverages. In light of the law, SCC does not permit the use, sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages.

Alcohol Use is Prohibited in Public Places

SCC maintains a drug, alcohol, and tobacco free campus. No alcohol is permitted in public places or elsewhere on campus without authorization from the President's Office. SCC may serve alcohol at special events and activities for the community and college donors, but all vendor and permitting policies required by law are followed and non-alcoholic options are available. There were no such events during the 2022 and 2023 calendar years, and the last SCC-hosted event with alcohol was in 2018.

Delivery or Use of Kegs or Other Common Containers is Prohibited on Campus

SCC prohibits alcohol on campus in any form.

Marketing and Promotion of Alcohol

Alcohol Advertising on Campus is Banned or Limited

SCC does not allow any advertisements involving alcohol or alcoholic beverages.

Alcohol Industry Sponsorship for On-Campus Events is Banned or Limited

There are no on-campus events which are sponsored by the alcohol industry.

Alcohol Promotions with Special Appeal to Underage Drinkers is Banned or Limited

SCC does not participate in promotions related to drinking, underage or otherwise. SCC is located on the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community and alcohol is prohibited.

Alcohol Promotions that Show Drinking in High-Risk Contexts is Banned or Limited

SCC does not participate in promotions related to drinking.

Pro-Health Messages that Counterbalance Alcohol Advertising are Required

SCC maintains a drug, alcohol, and tobacco free campus. This also includes the advertisement of alcohol on campus.

Policy Development and Enforcement

Scottsdale Community College had one liquor law violation in 2022 and 2 in 2023, no other violations or referrals were reported during the 2022 and 2023 years including: drug abuse violations, weapons possession, liquor law referrals, drug law violation referral use, possession, manufacturing or distribution of illegal or other controlled substances except as expressly permitted by law; or illegal use, possession, manufacturing or distribution of alcoholic beverages or public intoxication.

Statement of AOD program goals and a discussion of goal achievement.

Scottsdale Community College Alcohol and Other Drugs Program Goals are:

- a. Develop and implement Alcohol/Drug Awareness campaign on campus and in
 - i. Athletics.
- b. Identify additional ways to inform students and employees about issues regarding the use of Alcohol/Drugs.
- c. Partner with local police agencies to develop program/activity/or event on the topic of Alcohol/Drugs.
- d. Continue to offer robust and diverse events and programs for students, staff/faculty, and the community at large.

Summaries of AOD program strengths and weaknesses.

Summary of AOD Program Strengths

- a. Student events have tables where literature about Alcohol/Drugs is available.
- b. Information is available to students (through website, *Daily John*, Facebook, Instagram, X, CANVAS, website, TVs located in the Student Center and Cafeteria).
- c. SCC offers First-Year Experience courses that focus on student success through exploration of academic, career, and life skills. Includes study of goal-setting/success strategies, academic mindset, interpersonal skills, financial literacy, self-care strategies, diverse perspectives, and campus tools and resources.
- d. SCC has a consistent process for enforcement of District policies.

- e. Students receive AOD information on a yearly basis, through MyMaricopa email.
- f. MCCCCD policy prohibits alcohol/drug use on campus and at college-sponsored events without prior approval of the President's Office. If such events are approved, college policies, local ordinances, and state/tribal laws are strictly followed.
- g. MCCCCD prohibits smoking on all its properties.
- h. MCCCCD Student Code of Conduct and Staff Policy Manual address alcohol and illegal drug possession, distribution, and use.
- i. SCC resides on the native land of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, which has a zero-tolerance policy for alcohol.
- j. Strong partnerships with the city of Scottsdale and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community on drug and alcohol enforcement, academic programs, and business/civic matters.

Summary of AOD Program Weaknesses

- a. Continue to improve systemic messaging in place.
- b. Continue to improve College-wide AOD information plan (posters, screensavers, flyers) about the use of Alcohol/Drugs.

Procedures for distributing annual AOD notification to students and employees.

AOD Policy - Procedures for distributing annual AOD notification to students and employees.

New students and employees are sent the Drug and Alcohol Prevention Programs Annual Notification via email from the Maricopa County Community College District. This notification includes information on:

- a. standards of conduct;
- b. a list of applicable legal sanctions under federal, state, or local laws for the unlawful possession or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol;
- c. a description of the health risks associated with the abuse of alcohol or use of illicit drugs, which can be found on the Maricopa County Community College District website;
- d. a list of alcohol programs that are available to employees and students and a clear statement that the institution will impose disciplinary sanctions on students and employees for violations of the standards of conduct;

AOD Policy--Policies, Procedures, and Sanctions for Violations

See Staff Policy Manual and Administrative Regulations of MCCCCD (see Addendum 1 and Addendum 2)

Recommendations for revising AOD programs.

Recommendations for revision of AOD Programs

- a. Develop a more robust campus campaign to inform students/employees about Alcohol/Drugs using social media and other forms of online/virtual communication and engagement.
- b. Continue to work with AOD Review Team to fulfill goals established above.
- c. Develop data collection procedures (e.g., tracking who opens AOD email notices, tracking event participation).

Addendums

Addendum 1: Staff Policy Manual

<https://www.maricopa.edu/about/handbooks-manuals>

- Staff Policy Manual – Policy A-4 – Employment Standards
- Staff Policy Manual – Policy A-18 – Drug Free Workplace
- Staff Policy Manual – Policy C-4 – Corrective Action Principles

Addendum 2: Administrative Regulations

- Administrative Regulation 4.14 – Motor Vehicle Usage
<https://district.maricopa.edu/regulations/admin-regs/section-4>
- Administrative Regulation 2.5 – Student Rights and Responsibilities
<https://district.maricopa.edu/regulations/admin-regs/section-2/2-5>