



# Tobacco-Free Campus

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## Purpose

Wright State University is committed to being a tobacco-free campus, in order to promote a healthy environment in which to learn and work for our students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

## What is included in the tobacco-free policy?

Use of all types of tobacco products is prohibited in all university facilities, on all university-owned or leased grounds, in university-owned or operated residence halls and apartments, at all university-sponsored events, regardless of location, and in or on off-site buildings and grounds that are solely leased or occupied by Wright State University.

The policy took effect July 1, 2017 and applies to anyone on campus including students, faculty, staff, visitors, consultants, vendors, patients, volunteers, and contractor employees.

**Tobacco** – Defined to include any product that contains tobacco, is derived from tobacco or contains nicotine [or lobelia], that is intended for human consumption, or is likely to be consumed, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, or ingested by any other means. This includes e-cigarettes, whether or not they contain nicotine, and other electronic smoking devices.

**Exceptions** – The policy does not prohibit any cessation product approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for use as a medical treatment to reduce and eliminate nicotine or tobacco dependence.

## Working Together

We understand that becoming tobacco free will require a change in culture that will take time. The consideration and cooperation of tobacco users and non-tobacco users alike is needed to fully implement the policy.

### Informing One Another

As members of the Wright State University community, we all share responsibility for observing and informing people of the Tobacco-Free Campus Policy. If you see someone using tobacco on university property, you are encouraged to remind people of the policy if you feel comfortable in doing so. If you do approach someone, please do so in a friendly and respectful manner – the person may not be aware of the policy.

### Informing Visitors

If you are sponsoring visitors to campus, it is recommended that you proactively communicate the policy to them.

### More Information

More information on how to successfully implement the policy can be found on the Tobacco-Free Campus website.

## Ready to quit? We're here to help.

### *Cessation Resources*

Wright State is committed to assisting smokers and tobacco users who choose to quit or cease tobacco use. The university is taking a variety of steps to assist our faculty, staff, and students. Smoking cessation programs continue to be offered in 2017 for both the Dayton campus and Lake campus locations. In addition, resources provided by ImpactSolutions (our faculty and staff assistance program), Anthem (our employee health care provider), and local public health agencies will be offered.

For more information, please see the Tobacco Cessation Resources page on the Tobacco-Free Campus website: [www.wright.edu/tobaccofree](http://www.wright.edu/tobaccofree)

***Thank you for helping to make Wright State a healthier place to be!***

## FAQ

### How did the tobacco-free policy come about?

Almost five years ago a task force comprised of faculty, staff, and students as well as Public Health – Dayton & Montgomery County started to investigate this initiative. The task force reviewed many campus surveys and discussions, and information and recommendations from such organizations as the Ohio Board of Regents (presently the Ohio Department of Higher Education) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. After careful consideration and with the goal to promote a healthy environment for the campus community, Wright State decided to become tobacco free, effective July 1, 2017.

### Will there be any designated smoking areas?

No, there are no designated smoking areas. If people do leave the campus to use tobacco, they are asked to please respect our surrounding neighborhoods, being mindful of litter, loitering, second-hand smoke, as well as any tobacco polices our neighbors may have pertaining to their properties.

### Is abstaining from tobacco a condition of employment or being admitted to Wright State University?

No, this initiative does not require any individual to stop using tobacco products; such a decision is an individual's choice.

## Have a question?

- **Faculty and staff** may contact Human Resources at [human\\_resources@wright.edu](mailto:human_resources@wright.edu) or (937) 775-2120.
- **Students** may contact the Office of Community Standards and Student Conduct at [studentconduct@wright.edu](mailto:studentconduct@wright.edu) or (937) 775-4240.
- **Contractors** should contact Purchasing at [purchasing@wright.edu](mailto:purchasing@wright.edu) or (937) 775-2411.