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The Board is committed to providing students, employees and the public with a safe and healthful campus environment. The use of tobacco, nicotine delivery products, and electronic nicotine delivery systems ("ENDS") on the property or premises of the College's campuses is determined to be detrimental to the health and safety of students, employees and visitors. Accordingly, the use of tobacco, nicotine delivery products and ENDS shall be prohibited by students, employees and visitors in all campus buildings, facilities and vehicles owned or leased by the College, as well as on the property or grounds of the New Bern Campus and the Havelock-Cherry Point Campus except for specifically designated official smoking areas.

The advertisement, promotion, sale, or distribution on any College campus or at any College events of tobacco, nicotine delivery products, or ENDS including non-tobacco merchandise that promotes or advertises tobacco, nicotine delivery products, or ENDS shall be prohibited. Student organizations shall be prohibited from accepting money or gifts from companies promoting the use of tobacco, nicotine delivery products, or ENDS. Advertisements promoting the use of tobacco, nicotine delivery products, or ENDS shall be prohibited from appearing in any College publications or placed on any College property. For the purposes of this Policy, "tobacco" means any type of tobacco product including, but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, pipes, bids, hookahs, smokeless tobacco or snuff of any type including spit and spitless tobacco. "Nicotine delivery product" means any product, substance, or device containing nicotine that has not completed clinical medical trials and is not recognized by the Food and Drug Administration as a medically acceptable tobacco use cessation product. "ENDS" means any nicotine delivery product that can deliver nicotine through an electronic noncombustible heat source that produces vapor, including without limitation, vapes, vaporizers, vape pens, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes or e-cigs), and e-pipes.

Smoking, the use of nicotine delivery products or ENDS, shall be permitted on campus grounds only in specific, designated official smoking areas. All students, employees, students and visitors shall adhere to this Policy and restrict their use of tobacco, nicotine delivery products, and ENDS to such designated areas while on campus.

The President is authorized to establish those College Procedures necessary to ensure compliance with this Policy.

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