

**PIERPONT COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE**  
**Board of Governors Policies and Procedures**  
**PP-1005**

**TITLE:** USE OF ALCOHOL AT COLLEGE EVENTS

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**SECTION 1 PURPOSE**

- 1.1** This policy governs the use of alcoholic beverages during Pierpont sponsored events on or off any campus facility.

**SECTION 2 GENERAL**

**2.1** Alcoholic beverages are defined as legal liquor, wine, or beer. The legal age in West Virginia for the purchase or use of alcohol is 21. Possession or use of alcoholic beverages on state property is prohibited. Waiver of this policy to permit limited use (non-sale) of alcohol at non-student special events is allowable at the discretion of the President of the College, per the Guidelines for the Use of Alcohol at College Events.

**2.2.1** Anyone involved in a disruptive situation while under the influence of alcohol at a university-sponsored event is considered to be in violation of college regulations and may be subject to discipline.

**2.2.2** For special college events, a location may be designated as one where the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages by those of legal drinking age is permitted. Such occasions must be registered, approved, and advertised at least ten days in advance of an event at which alcohol may be consumed. Attendees who have reached the age designated by the state (twenty-one years of age) for the legal consumption of alcoholic beverages may possess and consume alcoholic beverages at special college events registered and approved by the President of the College.

**2.2.3** Any time alcoholic beverages are served or permitted, food and alternative non-alcoholic beverages must also be served during the entire period that alcoholic beverages are available.

**2.2.4** The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.

## **SECTION 3 PROCESS**

**3.1** To seek authorization to serve alcohol for an event, the area manager for an employee event must obtain the Permit for Alcoholic Beverages Request Form from the Office of the President or designee and secure the approval by signature of the President.

**3.2** If college or employee sponsored (non-student), the Permit for Alcoholic Beverages Request Form must be submitted directly to the President of the College for final approval no fewer than ten workdays in advance of the event. The group hosting the event is responsible for ensuring compliance with college policies **and state and local law.**

**3.3** Additional regulations will be developed at the request of the President of the College and reviewed on an annual basis or as necessary. In all cases, the President's decision to grant or deny a permit shall be final.