

Alcohol Policy

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Alcohol on Campus

William Jewell College recognizes the serious nature of alcohol abuse, possession and distribution, recognizing that such use remains a consistent concern for colleges/universities, students, parents, and their surrounding communities.

As an institution of higher learning, we believe that each member of our community, who is of legal age, makes a personal and conscious choice regarding consumption of alcohol. This personal choice underscores the concept of individual freedom as well as the responsibility of each individual and the community as a whole. Individuals living and learning at William Jewell College are expected to live and act responsibly. This responsibility includes individual choices about the possession and consumption of alcohol.

Therefore, all students of legal age in the State of Missouri and who are certified to have completed the College's alcohol education program may possess and consume alcoholic beverages in the privacy of their residence hall room (*See William Jewell College Regulations Regarding Alcohol Use for additional information*).

As a College, we place a great deal of responsibility on the individual student who is of legal age. The responsible student will:

- Know, understand, and comply with all federal, state, and local laws, and adhere to all William Jewell College policies regarding alcohol possession, consumption and/or distribution.
- Take proactive steps to educate themselves about the risks associated with alcohol use and abuse.
- Make an educated and informed decision regarding their personal choice to consume alcohol.
- Not pressure other students to consume alcohol, whether directly or indirectly.
- Not behave in a way, as a result of consuming alcohol, that is disruptive or harmful to self, others, or in any way that causes any damage or disruption to the local or campus communities.
- Assume accountability for one's behavior (and those of guests) and accept all consequences for individual or group actions.

Demonstrate an ethic of care, concern and compassion for students whose choice to use alcohol has resulted in damaging, and dangerous behavior for themselves and/or the community. Responsible students should refer that student to members of the College's residential life staff, Office of Student Life staff, Counseling Services staff, and/or any other faculty or staff member for additional assistance.

Regulations Regarding Alcohol Use in Residence Halls & Greek Housing

All students must adhere to the following regulations regarding alcohol use:

- All students are required to follow all federal, state, and local laws regarding the possession, consumption, and/or distribution of alcohol.
- Possession and use of alcohol on campus is allowed by legal age students in their residence hall room and by legal age adults (including students) at off campus events approved by the College's administration.
- All students who are of legal age in the State of Missouri, who choose to possess and/or consume alcohol on campus are required to complete a college-sponsored alcohol education program. Students who have not completed the alcohol education program will not be allowed to possess or consume

alcohol on campus (See Alcohol Education Program in the William Jewell College Student Handbook for additional information).

- Alcohol must be transported to living quarters in unopened containers.
- The consumption of alcoholic beverages in lounges, corridors, and other public areas of residence halls (including Greek housing) or any other college buildings and/or college grounds is prohibited.
- ONE of the following alcohol types/amounts is acceptable, per resident (excluding guests), within a room at any given time:
 - One 24 pack– 12 oz. containers of beer/malted beverage or
 - Two (1 L) bottles of wine or
 - One (1 L) bottle of spirits

Amounts of alcohol that exceed these limits will be considered a violation of college policy and all alcohol will be confiscated.

- Each resident is limited to two (2) guests of legal age when alcohol is present and being consumed in their residence hall room.
- When in possession of or consuming alcohol in a private room or at an approved event, no students under the legal drinking age may be present unless prior approval is given by the appropriate College administrative office. Minors in possession of or in the presence of alcohol will be considered in violation of the alcohol policy.
- Students are responsible for their own behavior as well as their guests' behavior at all times. The possession and/or use of alcohol shall not impinge upon the freedoms and rights of other community members, roommates, residents in neighboring rooms, and other students, faculty, and/or staff.
- Disruptive, destructive, and/or illegal behavior related to the possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is subject to disciplinary action and/or civil enforcement. The college reserves the right to request assistance from local law enforcement authorities in such matters.
- Students who demonstrate actions related to intoxication (for example, excessive noise, harassing or disruptive behavior, vandalism, vomiting) in public or are in possession of alcohol through the demonstration of intoxication may face disciplinary action.
- Possession of alcoholic beverage containers, full, partially full, or empty, may be presumed as use and possession, and may be considered a violation of College policy.
- In the absence of clear mitigating circumstances, all residents of the room in which an alcohol policy violation occurs will be charged with an alleged violation of policy.
- If RAs are 21 years of age, they may possess and consume alcohol in their room and have other students who are of legal age, from other residence halls, as guests in their room. RAs are considered student employees of the College and are therefore expected to represent themselves responsibly at all times. RAs CANNOT drink with ANY non-RA residents that live in their building, even if they are of legal age. RAs may not drink when they are considered on-duty and responsible for carrying out specific parts of their job description.
- Students, who have reached the legal drinking age in the State of Missouri and have completed the required Alcohol EDU program, are allowed to possess and consume alcoholic beverages in their residence hall room. However, no "Common Alcohol Sources" are allowed, including:

kegs

"pony" kegs

home brewing systems

funnels/beer bongs

boxed wine/spirits

no drinking games

and/or amounts of alcohol in excess of what is considered to be reasonable personal consumption

- Students possessing and utilizing fake, altered identification cards (whether in state ID form or William Jewell College student ID form), or an identification card that is not their own, to attempt to purchase or obtain alcohol on or off campus are subject to disciplinary action.

- The College’s alcohol policy includes any alcohol-related violations. Students may be held accountable, even if they do not have actual possession of alcohol when present at alcohol-related events.
- The possession, consumption, and/or distribution of alcoholic beverages at any on campus event is prohibited.

All members of the William Jewell College community should assume the responsibility for referring any person who is in need of assistance for alcohol and/or non-alcohol related problems to the Office of Student Life. Students who choose to refer a friend for assistance, or who contact College staff in order to seek medical assistance in the case of an emergency, may be designated as “Good Samaritans.” If, after the completion of a standard investigation, it is determined that the referring student was acting in the best interest of the referred, the referrer will be precluded from disciplinary action.

When, in the judgment of a College faculty/staff member, a student is transported to a local medical center for medical attention as a result of alcohol and/or other chemical use, the involved student will be held responsible for all costs incurred. The College reserves the right to address any inappropriate behavior suspected as alcohol related that does not clearly fall within the aforementioned statements regarding alcohol use at William Jewell College.

Alleged alcohol policy violations will be handled as a violation of the College’s Standard of Conduct and will be adjudicated via the College’s disciplinary due process system outlined in the William Jewell College Student Handbook.

Alcohol at Football Tailgating

For Cardinal fans, a clearly marked section of the White Science Center parking lot west of Greene Stadium will be reserved for guests for tailgating prior to football games. For the fans of the visiting teams, a clearly marked section of the parking lot east of the Mabee Center will be reserved for tailgating.

Please understand and adhere to the following guidelines when you tailgate:

1. The sale of alcohol is prohibited anywhere on the William Jewell College campus.
2. Open source containers (i.e. kegs, pony kegs, beer bongs/funnels) are prohibited.
3. Alcohol is not to be served to anyone under the age of 21.
4. No drinking games are allowed.
5. Alcohol is not to be taken outside the marked tailgate area and is prohibited within Greene Stadium.
6. Public intoxication is prohibited.
7. The consumption of alcohol is prohibited beyond the conclusion of the game’s halftime activities. At the end of halftime, the tailgating area will be closed by College staff. Participants will be allowed to return to the tailgating area to pick up belongings at any time during the second half of the game or at the end of the game. The tailgating area must be cleaned up and vacated no later than one hour after the end of the game.

These guidelines have been established in consideration of the safety of all members of, and visitors to, the campus community. The tailgate area will be clearly marked and vehicular traffic will be controlled in that area.

Policy Implementation for Students and Guests

1. In order to support the successful implementation of this policy:
 - Campus Safety will patrol campus parking lots, campus grounds and the stadium.
 - Uniformed officers will be present in the tailgate area to enforce the guidelines listed above.
 - Uniformed officers will enforce the ban on alcohol being taken into Greene Stadium. Bags, backpacks and other articles will be checked upon entry to the stadium.

- Individuals and/or groups who are approached by Campus Safety, other College staff or law enforcement officials must comply with the directions of these officials and produce an ID upon request. All violations of the alcohol policy will be documented and the alcohol will be confiscated. Students will be referred for disciplinary action.
2. Any of the following behaviors will be addressed as appropriate by Campus Safety staff, designated College officials or uniformed officers:
- Drinking in a non-designated area
 - Public intoxication
 - Providing alcohol to minors
 - Inappropriate behavior
 - Failure to comply with the directions of, or verbal abuse of, Campus Safety, College staff or law enforcement officials

Alcohol at Off-Campus Events

Alcohol may be served at off-campus College sponsored events or at off-campus events sponsored by recognized organizations of the College, only with prior approval by the appropriate administrative offices. Student organizations wishing to sponsor events where alcohol will be present must have their officers complete the College's risk management workshop and register and apply for the event ten (10) business days in advance of the event date via the Office of Student Life. Organizations must receive written approval prior to scheduling the event and must adhere to any written mandates outlined within the notice of approval (See Guidelines for Hosting an Event and Registering Events within the William Jewell College Student Handbook for additional information).

Alcohol and Traveling with a Student Group/Organization

When student groups travel and represent William Jewell College at an official college-sponsored activity or athletic event, the use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited regardless of the age of the student(s) involved. Some off-campus college sponsored activities may be approved to have alcohol present. Those activities must be pre-approved by the appropriate College administrative office. Faculty and staff inquiring about such approval must first seek approval from the Dean/Vice President that supervises them.

Summary of Alcohol Policy Violations

Because of the nature of alcohol and its potentially negative effects on any community, it is important that College community members understand the criteria used to define alcohol policy violations. Violations of the alcohol policy are designated as either minor or major violations. Though the designation assigned to each alleged violation is based upon the details of each case, some general categories of Level 1 and Level 2 alcohol violations may be provided. These categories may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Level 1 violations:

- Public consumption of alcohol.
- Public intoxication.

Level 2 violations:

- Possession of alcohol by a minor (Students under the legal age in the State of Missouri).
- Distribution of alcohol to minors.
- Distribution of alcohol to individuals who are already intoxicated.
- Possession of and/or use of a fake identification card to obtain alcohol on or off campus.
- Driving under the influence and driving while intoxicated either on or off campus.
- Intoxication potentially leading to or leading to harm of self and/or others.
- Intoxication leading to property damage, disruption of community, or other violations of the William Jewell College Standard of Conduct.

The Office of Student Life determines the level of the alleged violation. The sanctions outlined below serve as general guidelines for how alcohol policy violations will be adjudicated. The College reserves the right to consider each disciplinary case based upon its merits and its unique circumstances. Alcohol violations carry over each academic year. When a student violates the alcohol policy, sanctions will include but not be limited to a combination of the following:

Level 1 Violation Sanctions:

1st Violation	2nd Violation	3rd Violation	4th Violation
\$100 fine	\$150 fine	\$200 fine	Suspension/Expulsion
Alcohol “Sanctions” Education Program	Restitution Hours	Restitution Hours	Parent Notified
Letter of Warning	Substance Abuse Evaluation in Counseling Services	Substance Abuse Evaluation in Counseling Services	
Coach/Program Advisor Notified	Parent & Coach/Program Advisor Notified	Parent & Coach/Program Advisor Notified	
	Letter of Warning	Letter of Warning	
	Disciplinary Probation	Disciplinary Probation	
	*Loss of Privilege for 15 academic weeks (if 21)	*Loss of Privilege for one entire academic year	
		Suspension/Expulsion	

Level 2 Violation Sanctions:

1st Violation	2nd Violation	3rd Violation
\$150 fine	\$200 fine	\$250 fine
Parent & Coach Notified	Parent & Coach Notified	Parent & Coach Notified
Alcohol “Sanctions” Education Program	Substance Abuse Evaluation in Counseling Services	Substance Abuse Evaluation in Counseling Services
Substance Abuse Evaluation in Counseling Services	Restitution Hours - 25	Restitution Hours - 40
Restitution Hours	Letter of Warning	Suspension/Expulsion
Letter of Warning	Disciplinary Probation with Student Status Review	*Loss of Privilege for the student’s remaining time at the College
*Loss of Privilege for 15 academic weeks (if 21)	*Loss of Privilege for one entire academic year	
	Suspension/Expulsion	

*Loss of Privilege for underage students would be defined as a delayed loss of privilege so when the student turned 21, they would lose the privilege for the designated time as determined by the adjudicator(s).

The College reserves the right to notify the parents of students who have violated the alcohol policy more than one time. Students will be notified of the College’s intent to contact their parents.

Alcohol Education Program

All first-year students, regardless of whether they are of legal age within the State of Missouri and regardless of

whether they choose to drink alcohol or not, are required to complete the College's alcohol education program.

This educational program provides students with an in-depth assessment of their personal use habits related to alcohol, as well as facts and data about alcohol use and abuse. The program provides students with confidential personal feedback (viewed only by the student, not available for review by College officials) based upon their own responses to questions, data, and facts. This personal feedback, used in conjunction with counseling, or as a stand-alone intervention, includes information which has been shown, through research, to be particularly motivating to college drinkers:

- Quantity and Frequency of Drinking, Caloric Intake
- Amount Consumed and Peak BAC
- Norm Comparisons
- Amount and Percent of Income Spent on Alcohol
- Tolerance Level
- Negative Consequences of Alcohol Use
- Personal Family Risk Score
- Explanations, advice, and local referral information

Illegal Drugs/Narcotics

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Illegal Drugs/Narcotics

Students deemed to be in possession of illegal drugs/narcotics or if found on college property or at an off-campus, college-sponsored function, the following procedures will be invoked:

1. The college official making the discovery will remain with the illegal substance and all parties involved. The discovering college official will immediately contact the following personnel.
 - A. If on-campus, Campus Safety should be called to serve as a witness and second college official to assist with processing the incident. If the discovering official is a member of the residence life staff, a second residence life staff member, preferably a resident director, should be called as a secondary staff member to witness and assist until campus safety arrives.
 - B. If off-campus, a second college official, if available, should be called as a witness and assist with processing the incident.
 - C. Regardless of location, the Dean of Students or Associate Dean of Students should be contacted for direction and instruction regarding an appropriate response to the incident.
2. The identity of all parties involved, including by-stander witnesses and college officials, will be documented in an incident report that outlines, in detail, the circumstances of the incident. The incident report is to be completed by the discovering college official and responding campus safety officer (if on-campus) or second college official (if off-campus). Incident reports should be submitted to the Associate Dean of Students for address.
3. Drugs/Narcotics and/or paraphernalia classified as a misdemeanor by Missouri State Statute will be photo documented and properly disposed of by at least two College officials, in accordance with disposal directions from law enforcement officials.
4. Deemed possession or discovery of any illegal drug(s) or paraphernalia classified as a felony will be immediately reported to law enforcement.
5. Students deemed to be in violation of the College's drugs/narcotics policy will be charged with violation of appropriate Standards of Conduct, noted in the William Jewell College Student Handbook, and may be subject to criminal prosecution.