

8. College of Engineering Alcohol Policy – Revised Nov. 26, 2012

This policy and associated situations all refer to College of Engineering-sponsored events and activities. This does not apply to departments within the College of Engineering, although they may have their own and/or similar policies.

In recognition of the fact that the majority of our undergraduate students are not of legal age to purchase and/or consume alcoholic beverages, the K-State College of Engineering prohibits the expenditure of any university or foundation funds for alcohol that will be served to students regardless of their age, nor does the college endorse any student-focused function that involves consumption of alcoholic products. Reference is also made to the Kansas State University Alcoholic Beverage Policy, PPM 3053.

To clarify this policy, the following specific situations are identified:

1. College-sponsored events primarily for faculty, alumni and friends of the college
 - 1.1. Alcoholic beverages may be served to guests/sponsors, as well as to K-State faculty and staff, so long as it is done in compliance with Kansas State University Alcoholic Beverage Policy, PPM 3053.
 - 1.2. No alcohol is to be served to any students – even if they are of legal age. However, if a “cash bar” exists, the vendor assumes all responsibility.
2. College-sponsored, student-centered events (i.e. picnics, socials, etc.)
 - 2.1. Distribution and/or consumption of alcoholic beverage products is not authorized at college-sponsored, student-centered events (i.e., those hosted by the college and/or a college department, and/or those that would use state/departmental/college funds). These activities are open to students of all ages and a majority of our students are not of legal age for alcoholic products. This includes student club and organizational picnics, socials, etc. funded by student organizational funds and associated with the college.
3. Student travel in conjunction with university sanctioned events
 - 3.1. Students travelling as part of a college competition (individual or team) or to a college-supported/endorsed professional meeting or activity, and who are of legal age to purchase/consume alcoholic beverages, are strongly encouraged to exhibit discretion and professional behavior at all times.
 - 3.2. Alcoholic beverages in open containers and students who are under the influence of alcohol are strictly prohibited from being in any state/college/departmental vehicle at any time.

4. Other student organized events
 - 4.1. College of Engineering-supported student organizations cannot use their organizational funds (i.e., their organizational bank accounts) to purchase alcoholic beverages for any event. Any such event that intends to provide alcoholic beverages must abide by the Kansas State University Alcoholic Beverage Policy, PPM 3053. In addition, these events should not have any name association with the College of Engineering or one of our academic departments.
 - 4.2. Events where alcoholic consumption is the primary objective (such as “pub crawls”) are highly discouraged and are in no way endorsed by the college. Student social events, such as pub crawls, which involve alcohol, shall not in any way be connected with the college. This includes language/wording on t-shirts, flyers and email messages. Please see Kansas State University Alcoholic Beverage Policy, PPM 3053.