

Note: Revisions included in CCLC Update #20. This procedure is **legally required** to reflect amendments to the Business and Professions Code regarding furnishing alcoholic beverages at special events on community college campuses.

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AP 3555 Alcoholic Beverages

Reference: ***Business and Professions Code Sections 24045.4, 24045.6, and 25608 and 34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 668.46 (b)***

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The possession, sale or the furnishing of alcohol on campus is governed by California state law and these procedures. The possession, sale, consumption or furnishing of alcohol is controlled by the California Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control. However, the enforcement of alcohol laws on-campus is the primary responsibility of the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District (District) Public Safety Department. The campus has been designated “drug free” and only under certain circumstances is the consumption of alcohol permitted. The possession, sale, manufacture or distribution of any controlled substance is illegal under both state and federal laws. Such laws are strictly enforced by the District Public Safety Department. Violators are subject to disciplinary action, criminal prosecution, fine and imprisonment. It is unlawful to sell, furnish or provide alcohol to a person under the age of twenty-one. The possession of alcohol by anyone under twenty-one years of age in a public place or a place open to the public is illegal. It is also a violation of this policy for anyone to consume or possess alcohol in any public or private area of campus without prior District approval. Organizations, groups, or individuals violating alcohol or substance policies or laws may be subject to sanctions by the District.

Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on District owned or operated property, except as follows:

- The alcoholic beverage is for use in connection with a course of instruction or instructional program such as viticulture, enology, hospitality, or culinary arts at a community college campus, and the instructor has obtained written authorization by the college president using the attached request form; or
- The alcoholic beverage is for use during a fundraising event sponsored by the Foundation for Grossmont and Cuyamaca Colleges or the District auxiliary; or
- The alcoholic beverage is for use during an event held at the Water Conservation Garden, conducted pursuant to a written policy adopted by the Water Conservation Garden Authority; or
- The alcoholic beverage is for use during a third-party sponsored fundraiser held to benefit a nonprofit corporation, such as a college foundation or auxiliary that has obtained a license under the Business and Professions Code.

- The alcoholic beverage is possessed, consumed, or sold, pursuant to a license or permit obtained under this division for special events held at the facilities of a public community college during the special event. "Special event" means events that are held with the permission of the Governing Board of the community college district that are festivals, shows, private parties, concerts, theatrical productions, and other events held on the premises of the public community college and for which the principal attendees are members of the general public or invited guests and not students of the public community college.

To obtain approval for alcoholic beverage service under this procedure, the employee or the organization must obtain the specific, prior written permission ([Attachment A](#)) of the college president and the Chancellor (Facilities Use Request pursuant to BP 3555 Alcoholic Beverages, if on a college campus).

The request for permission will specify:

- The name and tax exempt status of the organization to receive the benefits;
- The name and contact information for the one person who will be responsible for the event;
- That the proper Alcoholic Beverage Control permit will be obtained;
- That all applicable laws and guidelines will be followed; and
- That proof of insurance will be provided.

Authorization will be at the sole discretion of the Chancellor.

Alcoholic beverages cannot be acquired, possessed, or used at any athletic contest or student-sponsored event on District property and/or sponsored by the District.

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