HORRY-GEORGETOWN TECHNICAL COLLEGE

POLICY

Number:	9.3.3
Title:	Alcohol and Drugs
Authority:	Title 59, Chapter 53, Sections 810-860 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina, as Amended
Responsibility:	Vice President for Student Affairs
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Chairperson

Under no condition will alcoholic beverages, liquors, or illegal drugs be permitted at student events, either held at the College or sponsored by the College. No one under the influence of alcohol or narcotics will be permitted to attend such events. Students found to be under the influence will be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the Student Code for the South Carolina Technical College System.

In an effort to maintain a drug-free learning environment, Horry-Georgetown Technical College's Department of Public Safety, in conjunction with local law enforcement authorities, will periodically use drug dogs in conducting sweeps for illicit drugs in all of the parking lots, common areas, and buildings on all Horry-Georgetown campuses. The Director of Public Safety will arrange supervision and coordinate all canine searches with the assistance of local law enforcement authorities and Horry-Georgetown Technical College and Public Safety personnel.

These sweeps will be performed by handlers and canines trained and certified in the detection of illegal drugs/narcotics. Canines will be allowed to make sweeps through all common areas, parking lots, and will be utilized inside of buildings when deemed necessary by College authorities. Once a canine alerts, probable cause to believe drugs are present in the area is created. Accordingly, searches will be conducted of vehicles and other areas once the canine alerts. Upon discovery of suspected illegal drugs/narcotics, persons who are determined to be in violation of State or Federal law and/or College rules and regulations will face College disciplinary actions and possible arrest.