

Marietta College Alcohol Policy

Marietta College recognizes that abuse of alcohol and other drugs is a problem on the nation's campuses. In an attempt to deal with the prevention and treatment of these problems as they arise on the Marietta College campus, the following policy has been developed.

Illegal use of drugs is incompatible with the basic purposes of an institution of higher learning, and those who indulge in it or encourage others to do so are jeopardizing both the mission of Marietta College and their own responsible role in that mission.

Marietta College takes the official position that a student who seeks counseling or treatment for an alcohol or other drug use problem will not be subject to any disciplinary action because of said counseling or treatment. Further, no record of such treatment or counseling will be made or used in any way to place the student in jeopardy at a future time.

The College recognizes alcoholism and drug addiction as diseases that can be treated. For the purpose of this policy, alcoholism and drug dependence are defined as diseases. A student is considered to have an alcohol or drug abuse problem when use of such drugs interferes with the student's behavior, academic performance and/or personal health. Alcohol and drug abuse are defined as the student's consumption of alcohol or any other drug abuse to an extent where such consumption creates problem for the student or others.

Marietta College assures that any student having a problem with alcohol or other drug abuse will receive the same careful consideration and offer of treatment that is now extended to students with any other illnesses.

Philosophy

The campus alcohol policy proceeds from the premise that all campus policy must support the Marietta College Mission Statement and the College Creed. As an educational institution Marietta College is committed to fostering the intellectual and personal development of its members. The abuse of alcohol or other substance and behaviors associated with such abuse is incompatible to the mission and purposes of the institution and is therefore prohibited.

The alcohol policy is also based upon the recognition that:

1. The majority of Marietta College students cannot legally consume alcohol;
2. A number of students that are of legal age to consume or possess alcohol choose not to do so; and
3. Alcohol abuse on college campuses across the nation (including Marietta College) is rampant and widespread.

Given these facts, the College bears a dual responsibility: acknowledge the desire of those students who are of legal age to consume alcohol and ensure that the social life of the campus does not revolve around an activity in which the majority of students cannot participate and ensure that College-sanctioned events do not fringe upon students' intellectual and personal lives.

Marietta College condemns excessive consumption of alcohol as an unacceptable and irresponsible act. Also, the College considers the decision to consume alcohol or not, to be a value judgment on the part of each individual of legal age. If alcoholic beverages are consumed, the consumption must take place in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio and the City of Marietta, as well as the policy of Marietta College.

Each member of the Marietta College community is responsible for upholding to the College Creed. The college reserves the right to deal with inappropriate alcohol related behavior by an individual or organization on- or off- campus through the campus judicial structure.

General Policies

- a. An individual must be of legal age (21 years of age or older) to consume or possess alcohol on campus.
- b. An underage (under 21 years of age) individual is not permitted to be in the presence of alcohol except when within the confines a living space (room or apartment), one resident of the living space is of legal age (21 years of age or older), and there are no more than 4 guests present and the door is left open.
- c. Under no circumstance is an individual of legal age permitted to purchase and/or provide alcoholic beverages to an underage individual.
- d. Alcohol consumption to the point of severe intoxication as manifested by destruction of property or harm to oneself or others is a violation of the College Creed. When severe intoxication is an accompaniment to other CREED violations under no circumstances may it be regarded as a mitigating factor and may result in additional disciplinary sanctions.
- e. Wine and malt beverages are the only alcohol permitted for possession and/or consumption by an individual of legal age on the Marietta College campus. No hard liquor is permitted on campus.
- f. An individual of legal age is allowed to possess a maximum of 12(twelve)-12 oz. containers of malt beverage or up to one 750ml bottle of wine in their control for personal consumption in a living space
- g. The purchase, possession and/or use of bulk quantities of alcoholic beverages (i.e., kegs of alcohol, beer balls, and other common containers) are not permitted on Marietta College campus.
- h. Alcoholic beverages and paraphernalia (i.e., shot glasses, empty wine, malt beverages, champagne bottles, and other common containers) are not permitted within residence hall floors and programmatic units that are designated as alcohol and/or substance free housing.
- i. Alcoholic beverage drinking games of any kind are not permitted on Marietta College campus.
- j. Registered student organizations, departments and offices shall follow all Social Function Policies and Procedures. If the registered student organization is affiliated with a national

organization, it is the responsibility of the local chapter to comply with the rule and regulations of their national policies (the local chapter is expected to abide by College policy).

- k. No alcohol promotions or advertisement for College-sponsored events of kind are permitted on Marietta College campus.

Alcohol Policy Violation Sanctions

Alcohol Violations and Offenses

<u>Violation</u>	<u>1st Offense</u>	<u>2nd Offense</u>	<u>3rd Offense</u>
Alcoholic beverages and paraphernalia in substance free areas Item h.	\$100 fine, Conduct Warning, 10 hrs work penalty	\$150 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$250 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
Promoting alcohol for a College sponsored event. Item k.	\$100 fine, Conduct Warning, 10 hrs work penalty	\$150 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$250 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
Legal age individual possessing or consuming liquor or consuming alcohol outside of his/her room Item b, d	\$100 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty	\$200 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol screening and follow recommendation, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 35 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
An underage individual in the presence of, possessing or consuming alcohol Item b, c	\$100 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty	\$200 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol screening and follow recommendation, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 35 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
Any individual in possession of drinking game paraphernalia Item h, i	\$100 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty	\$200 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol screening and follow recommendation, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 35 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing

An individual of age who is in possession of more alcohol than allowed by policy Item f.	\$100 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty	\$200 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol screening and follow recommendation, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$300 fine, Restrictive, Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 35 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
Being under the influence of alcohol Item d.	\$100 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 15 hrs work penalty	\$200 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol screening and follow recommendation, 25 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 35 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
An individual of age who is in possession of bulk quantities of alcohol Item g.	\$200 fine, Conduct Probation, mandatory alcohol education program, 20 hrs work penalty	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment, 30 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$400 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 50 hrs work penalty, notify parents, removal from College Housing
An individual of age providing alcohol to underage individuals Item c.	\$300 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, 50 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$400 fine, Restrictive Probation, mandatory alcohol assessment and treatment as deemed necessary by counselor, Removal from College Housing, 100 hrs work penalty, notify parents	\$500 fine, Suspension from College, 150 hrs work penalty, notify parents

All of these sanctions are minimums and the actual sanctions imposed upon an individual would depend on the circumstances of the violation and the prior judicial record of the individual documented.

Social Functions

In an attempt to promote responsible use of alcohol and practice sound risk management the Office of Student Life has developed procedures for use by faculty, staff, departments, recognized groups and registered student organization for hosting events where alcohol will be present. Please contact the Dean of Students Office for copies of the procedures and approval of events.

Good Samaritan Policy

In those instances in which a student contacts Campus Police or a Resident Hall Director seeking assistance with another intoxicated student, neither the student making the contact nor the student in need of assistance will be charged with violations of the Alcohol Policy. The students however will be asked to meet with the Director of Residence Life to discuss the incident. The Director may refer the student(s) to Counseling Services for possible alcohol intervention. No formal judicial action will be taken unless the student(s) involved demonstrate a repeated lack of care for their well being and that of the college community or fail to follow the recommendations of the Director of Residence Life or Counseling Services.

Controlled Substance Policy

As an institution within the State of Ohio, Marietta College is committed to encouraging compliance with all state and local laws. Marietta College is opposed to the unlawful possession and use of controlled substances. It is only in an environment free of substance abuse that Marietta College can fulfill its mission. For these reasons, it is the policy of Marietta College that all activities on College property shall be free of the unlawful use of controlled substances.

In accordance with the Drug-Free School and Communities Act, Marietta College has determined that the following behaviors violate this policy:

1. The use of non-prescribed controlled substances.
2. Possession and trafficking (manufacturing, dispensing, or selling) of controlled substances.
3. Improper use of prescription medications.
4. Possession of drug-related paraphernalia (i.e., water-bongs, bongs, bowls and other common containers) is not permitted on Marietta College Campus.

Assistance concerning alcohol and other controlled substance related problems are available from several sources at the College. Individuals needing personal assistance, individuals who know of someone who needs help, or individuals with questions concerning alcohol and other controlled substance problems may contact in confidence any of the following:

- Office of Student Life, Andrews Hall
- Counseling Services, Andrews Hall
- Student Health Center, Broughton Center Suite 200

Revisions and Amendments

As part of the Marietta College Student CREED revisions or amendments may be proposed by the Campus Life and Athletic Committee, Faculty Council, Student Senate or President of the College. No revision or amendment shall be effective until it has been approved by a two-thirds vote of Faculty Council, two-thirds vote of the Student Senate and President of the College.