

**Austin Peay State
University**

Alcoholic Beverages

POLICIES

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Responsible Official: Vice President for Legal Affairs &
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Responsible Office: Office of Legal Affairs

Policy Statement

It is the policy of Austin Peay State University that the use, possession, and/or sale of alcoholic beverages on University property is prohibited except as provided in this policy; however, the use and/or possession of alcoholic beverage substitutes (e.g., non-alcoholic beer) on campus is permitted.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out the conditions and considerations under which alcohol may or may not be sold, served or consumed on property owned or controlled by the University. The sale, serving or consumption of alcoholic beverages at approved events is to be an amenity to well-planned and structured programs; it is not to be the indispensable and essential program element.

Procedures

Applicability

Consumption of alcohol on the Austin Peay State University (APSU or University) campus is limited to approved events and areas designated by the President. The President is authorized to, and may from time to time, designate a place on property owned or controlled by the University where alcoholic beverages may be served.

Alcohol may only be sold by a third-party vendor at specified sports authority facilities during certain University-sanctioned events.

This policy shall not be construed as prohibiting the use of alcoholic beverages in academic coursework where said

beverages are not consumed but are used solely in the tasting process in a manner consistent with state law. T.C.A. § 57-4-109.

Definitions

- A. Designated Area. The specific area in which the consumption of alcoholic beverages has been approved. A sports authority facility is deemed a designated area.
- B. Sports authority facility. Pursuant to T.C.A. § 57-4-102(~~3538~~), any facility that is designed and used for University-sanctioned public sporting events at which a ~~third party~~third-party vendor may sell alcohol.

Request to Serve Alcohol

- A. This section applies to events at which alcohol will be served but not sold.
- B. From time to time the President may designate a place on property owned or controlled by the University where alcoholic beverages may be served. However, the use and/or possession of alcoholic beverages at student functions is prohibited on property owned or controlled by the University.
- ~~A.C.~~ To request authorization to serve alcoholic beverages as described above, the Authorization to Serve Alcoholic Beverages Form must be submitted to the President of the University for consideration at least two (2) weeks in advance of the event at which alcohol is proposed to be served. Approval must be obtained in advance and can only be granted by the President.

Sale of Alcoholic Beverages

- A. The President may authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages at designated APSU sports authority facilities on a ~~case-by-case~~case-by-case basis. The sale of alcoholic beverages is limited to University sponsored events, except as authorized expressly by the President.
- ~~The President may authorize the sale of alcoholic beverages at the following sports authority facilities owned or when leased by APSU: Dunn Center, Hand Park, Fortera Stadium, Maynard Park, Morgan Brothers Field, and F&M Bank Arena.~~
- B. The ~~third party~~third-party vendor authorized to sell alcohol will be required to comply with all applicable state and local laws.

**Conditions for the
Consumption of Alcoholic
Beverages**

- A. Designated areas where consumption of alcoholic beverages may be permitted shall not be in classrooms, labs, faculty or administrative offices, residence halls, student dining halls, or student gathering areas. Consumption of alcohol is not permitted at athletic facilities accessible to the public except as otherwise allowed pursuant to this policy.
- B. The use or possession of alcoholic beverages by students is prohibited on property owned or controlled by the University. However, students of legal drinking age may consume alcohol at events at which consumption of alcohol has been approved pursuant to this policy.
- C. Alcohol will not be permitted at any event where the event is marketed and promoted primarily to students.
- ~~C.D.~~ No alcohol should be consumed by individuals under the legal drinking age while on property owned or controlled by the university.
- ~~D. The sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited, except as allowed pursuant to this policy. The third-party vendor authorized to sell alcohol will be required to comply with all applicable state and local laws.~~
- E. No state funds or state accounts can be used to purchase alcoholic beverages except as equipment and supplies for approved academic programs.
- F. The President may limit the length of the event, the amount of alcohol to be served, the nature of the event, and the number and age of the anticipated participants attending.
- G. Food and non-alcoholic beverages must also be available concurrently with the serving or sale of alcoholic beverages at an event. Adequate proportions of these items will be considered as criteria for event approval.
- H. The only alcoholic beverages that may be possessed or consumed at campus events are those alcoholic beverages that are served pursuant to an approved Authorization to Serve Alcoholic Beverages Form or made available for sale at the event. Furthermore, alcoholic beverages served or available

for sale at an event must be consumed within the facility or area designated for the event.

- I. When submitting the Authorization to Serve Alcoholic Beverages Form, the sponsoring group is responsible for identifying an individual to be present at the event who will be responsible for ensuring that the event complies with this policy and all applicable state and local laws regarding the serving of alcohol.
- J. The Authorization to Serve Alcoholic Beverages Form may contain additional requirements or stipulations that the sponsoring group will be responsible for complying with.
- K. Exceptions to this policy can be made at the discretion of the President.

Revision Dates

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Approved

President: signature on file
