

VII. FACILITY USE

A. INSTRUCTIONAL USE

1. The Board subscribes to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools' guideline concerning Physical Resources:
 - a. Physical resources, including building and equipment used both on campus and off campus, must be adequate to serve the needs of the institution in relation to its stated purpose, its programs and activities.
 - b. The physical environment of the institution should contribute to an atmosphere for effective learning.
 - c. Space allocated to any institution should contribute to an atmosphere for effective learning.
2. In support of this guideline, Texas Southmost College classrooms shall not hold more people or equipment than is conducive to effective learning.

Authority: SUJCD Board of Trustees
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Amended: November 1, 2001

B. NON-INSTRUCTIONAL USE OF COLLEGE FACILITIES

1. Campus facilities may be used during the hours the College or University is normally closed as follows:
 - a. By campus groups or campus sponsored groups or activities, only on the specific approval of the UTB/TSC President or designee.
 - b. By non-college groups, only on the specific approval of the college UTB/TSC President or designee and upon payment of an adequate fee. The fee will be established and approved by the UTB/TSC President and will be sufficient to fully cover utilities, employee wages and other costs.
2. Campus facilities may be used during hours that the College or University is normally open as follows: By non-college groups upon payment of an adequate fee, on a space available basis, upon the recommendation and approval of the UTB/TSC President or designee.

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C. RANCHO DEL CIELO

1. Rancho del Cielo, located in the Sierra Oriental Mountains near Gomez Farias, Tamaulipas, Mexico, is established as a science base.
2. Use of Rancho del Cielo is determined by the Gorgas Science Foundation.

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Amended: February 23, 1966
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D. FORT BROWN MEMORIAL CENTER

1. The Fort Brown Memorial Center (FBMC) is operated as an auxiliary enterprise.
 - a. Fees through August 31, 2001, are established by contract with the City of Brownsville.
 - b. Fees and other charges for use of the FBMC will be set by the Board periodically. Fees and charges schedule is maintained in District Comptroller's office
 - c. Fees, charges and rentals may be waived only in the most unusual circumstances and only when in the best interest of SUJCD. Authority to waive fees is the responsibility of the UTB/TSC President or designee.

E. FORT BROWN MEMORIAL GOLF COURSE

1. Use of the Fort Brown Memorial Golf Course is determined by contract with Golf Course Contractor.

F. CAÑON NOVILLO/CIELITO

1. Cañon Novillo in Tamaulipas is established as a conference and educational site.
2. Use of Cañon Novillo is determined by the UTB/TSC President.

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G. TOBACCO FREE CAMPUS

A. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the implementation of a policy on the prohibition of tobacco use on the campuses of The University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College.

B. Definition

Campuses are defined as all interior space on UTB/TSC campuses, all outside property or grounds of UTB/TSC campuses including partially enclosed areas such as walkways,

breezeways and bus shelters. This includes UTB/TSC owned vehicles and all indoor and outdoor athletic facilities, as well as the grandstands of outdoor facilities.

C. Policy

- a. Tobacco use will not be permitted in any facility of The University of Texas at Brownsville, effective September 2010, the use of tobacco products (including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless tobacco and other tobacco products) by students, faculty, staff, and visitors are prohibited on all UTB/TSC properties.
- b. The use of tobacco products (including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, smokeless tobacco, or other tobacco products) is prohibited all times.
- c. The campus-controlled advertising, sale or free sampling of tobacco products on campus is prohibited.
- d. Littering the campus with remains of tobacco products or any other disposable product is prohibited.
- e. Organizers and attendees at public events, such as conferences, meetings, public lectures, social events, cultural events and sporting events using UTB/TSC facilities will be required to abide by the tobacco-free policy and procedures. Organizers of such events are responsible for communicating the policy to attendees and for enforcing this policy.
- f. Campus organizations are prohibited from accepting money or gifts from tobacco companies.

D. Enforcement

Adherence to the policy cited above is the responsibility of all UTB/TSC students, faculty, staff, and visitors. It is expected that all students, faculty, staff, and visitors to campus comply with this policy. Members of our campus community are empowered to respectfully inform others about the policy in an ongoing effort to enhance awareness and encourage compliance.

E. Review

This policy shall be reviewed every five years by the Texas Southmost College District Board of Trustees.

Authority: Texas Southmost College District Board of Trustees
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