DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE POLICY

It is the policy of the Pineville Beauty School to provide a program of substance abuse education that will further our efforts regarding the general health and safety of our employees and students. The objective of this program is to promote increased awareness about substance abuse and to maintain a learning institution free of drugs and alcohol.

Each employee and student is responsible for prohibition from illegal use, possession, sale, manufacturing, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol while on the institution’s property or while involved in any of the institution’s activities. This also includes the intentional sale or furnishing of alcoholic beverages to person under the age of 21 while on institutional property or during institutional activities.

The abuse of alcohol, legal drugs, and illegal drugs can be harmful to an individual, not only physically, but mentally, emotionally, and socially. Aside from the health issues just mentioned, the legal consequences of the possession, sale, and consumption of illegal drugs and alcohol can be just as detrimental.

Violation of the above stated policy of the Pineville Beauty School on illicit drugs and alcohol shall result in expulsion or termination of the student or employee. As per the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA), any student convicted of an illegal drug violation while receiving financial aid will result in denial of federal financial aid for a specific period. In addition to losing federal financial aid eligibility, the student will face other legal consequences.

ELIGIBILITY PENALTIES FOR DRUG CONVICTIONS:

Possession of Illegal Drugs:

First Offense: Loss of eligibility for federal financial assistance for one year from the date of conviction.

Second Offense: Loss of eligibility for federal financial assistance for two years from the date of conviction.

Third Offense: Indefinite loss of federal financial assistance eligibility from the date of conviction.

Sale of Illicit Drugs:

First Offense: Loss of eligibility for federal financial assistance for two years from the date of conviction.

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Second & Subsequent Offenses: Indefinite loss of federal financial assistance eligibility from the date of conviction.

All students filling out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must state in Question 23 if he/she has been convicted of a drug-related offense. Any student who answers this question falsely will be disqualified and actions could result in fines of up to $20,000.00 and possible imprisonment.

Federal, State, and Local sanctions for drug and alcohol abuse can be found by visiting the following websites.

**CITY OF PINEVILLE MUNICIPAL CODES**

The City of Pineville municipal codes regarding illegal drugs and alcohol use can be found by visiting the following web address and clicking on Chapters 3 and 14.


**STATE OF LOUISIANA DRUG AND ALCOHOL LAWS**

The State of Louisiana drug and alcohol laws can be found by visiting http://legis.state.la.us/. Click on Louisiana Laws, then go to Louisiana Laws Table of Contents, and then click on Revised Statutes. The information will be under Chapter 14, Criminal Law.

**FEDERAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL LAWS**

Federal drug and alcohol laws can be found by visiting http://www.justice.gov/dea/.

**STEPS IN REGAING ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID**

In order to regain eligibility for federal student aid, the student must complete a qualified drug rehabilitation program that must include two random drug screens and have received or be eligible to receive funds under a Federal, State, and/or local government program. The Pineville Beauty School will issue a timely notice which clearly states the steps in regaining eligibility for federal student aid in any event the student should lose his/her eligibility due to a drug-related conviction.

**AVAILABLE SERVICES TO STUDENTS**

The Pineville Beauty School has numerous community resources available for the counseling, treatment, and rehabilitation for its students and employees. The staff of the institution is always available to assist students with their needs and direct them to the appropriate agencies for assistance if needed. Below is a list of some of the available programs and their objectives:

*Alcoholics Anonymous*, 329 15TH Street, Alexandria, LA 71301. Objective: To provide recovery for alcoholics and provide support for friends and relatives.

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**Alexandria/Pineville Alcohol and Drug Abuse Clinic**, Rainbow Drive, Pineville, LA 71360. Objective: To provide therapy and counseling and rehabilitation to substance abusers/families.

**CENLA Bridge House, Primary Focus**: Mental health and substance abuse services located at 401 Rainbow Drive, Pineville, LA 71360, and phone number: (318) 484-6491. Objective: To provide a residential long-term treatment (more than 30 days) also known as a “Halfway House” residence for recovering addicts

**Red River Treatment Center, Primary Focus**: Substance abuse treatment at Central Louisiana State Hospital Unit 6-D, Pineville, LA 71360, phone number: (318) 484-6888. Objective: To provide residential short-term treatment (28 day program)

Additional information regarding Alcoholism, Human Relations, Crises Intervention, Drug Abuse, Mental Health, and Social Services are located in the Local Yellow Pages.

The Pineville Beauty School also has a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) official come out to the institution annually to brief the students on drug abuse prevention. A copy of the DARE program certificate can be found in the following pages.

Students can also visit the following web sites for more information:


**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS**

The following websites can be utilized by students and employees to obtain more information on drug and alcohol abuse.

**Drug Abuse:**

http://www.drugabuse.gov/


**Alcohol Abuse:**

http://www.niaaa.nih.gov/


The following information can also be obtained by visiting the Administrative Office of the Pineville Beauty School.

- Federal, State, and Local Sanctions for Illegal Drug and Alcohol Use.
• Penalties for Violations of the Drug and Alcohol Policy Imposed on Students and Employees.
• Health Risks Associated with Drug Use and Alcohol Abuse.
• Federal Law Regarding Possession and Distribution Drug Convictions.
• Other Legal Consequences.