

Tobacco-Free Policy

Russell Sage College is dedicated to providing a healthy, comfortable, and productive living and work environment for our faculty, staff, administrators and students and a healthy, comfortable, and safe environment for our visitors.

In keeping with Sage's commitment to protect and promote the health of its employees, students, visitors, and other campus constituencies, and the public in general, it is Sage's policy to provide a tobacco and smoke/vaping-free environment in all college facilities and outdoor areas for all employees, students and visitors, in full conformance with applicable status including the New York State Clean Indoor Air Act (Public Health Law Article 13-E).

Policy

Due to the acknowledged health hazards arising from tobacco products, including exposure to secondhand smoke, the following rules apply in all college facilities and outdoor areas:

1. The use of tobacco, tobacco-related products, e-cigarettes, or vaping devices is prohibited in or on any Sage facility or property (as defined below), that is owned or leased by Sage, at any time.
2. The use of tobacco, tobacco-related products, e-cigarettes, or vaping devices is prohibited in any Sage vehicle at any time.
3. The sale of tobacco, tobacco-related products, e-cigarettes, or vaping products on any Sage campus (as defined below) is prohibited.
4. The use of advertisements for tobacco, tobacco-related products, e-cigarettes, or vaping products is prohibited in Sage-sponsored publications.

These rules apply to all employees, students and visitors of Sage. Violations of this Policy may result in disciplinary action under the Student Code of Conduct, Employee Handbook, and/or any applicable collective bargaining agreements.

As Sage works toward its goal of keeping Sage campuses free of litter from tobacco, tobacco-related products, e-cigarettes, or vaping devices, please be respectful of the surrounding communities and private properties located in proximity of Sage campuses.

Definitions

"Tobacco" and "tobacco products" - includes tobacco of any kind, including the use of smokeless tobacco, "spit" tobacco, electronic cigarettes, vaping devices, cigars, cigarettes, pipes or any other smoking material or device.

"Vaping" - the use of an electronic cigarette or e-cigarette.

"Electronic cigarette" or "e-cigarette" - an electronic device that delivers vapor which is inhaled by an individual user, and shall include any refill, cartridge and any other component of such a device

"Sage facility or property" - any campus building, owned or leased, including but not limited to: private offices, lounges, dining areas, recreational facilities, all college owned, leased or rented vehicles, and any personally owned, leased or rented vehicles parked on Sage property.

“Sage campus” - Any college outdoor area that is open to access by the public or campus community, including but not limited to parking lots, sidewalks, athletic fields, lawn areas and any institute facility entrance or egress.

Albany Campus - The area within the borders of New Scotland Avenue on the North, Academy Road on the West, the fence separating Sage and Parsons on the South, and the tree line adjacent to the parking lots on the East. Also included is the Armory Building and surrounding property.

Troy Campus - The outdoor areas within the borders of Congress Street on the North, First Street on the West, Division Street on the South, and Second Street on the East, as well as the following properties: 17-33 Congress Street (1 Park Place), 46 First Street, 30 Congress Street, 51-107 First Street, 86-90 First Street, 74 First Street, 92 First Street, 96-102 First Street, 111 Second Street, 100 River Street, 10 Division Street, 12 Division Street, 14 Division Street, 111 First Street, 113 First Street, 115 First Street, 117 First Street, 68 River Street, 1-7 Gale Place, 133 First Street, 63-65 First Street, 101 Liberty Street, 51 Congress Street, 45-49 Congress Street, 53-55 Congress Street, Franklin Street, 61 Ferry Street, 113 Second Street, 35-37 Division Street, 106 Second Street, 127 Third Street, 159 Third Street, 140 Second Street.